

Police Accountability Board (Thursday, May 16, 2024)

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Members present

Nickolas Cromwell
Michelle Dowleyne
Leslie Everett
Frank Kauffman
John Lydon
Dr Linda Lymas
Thomas Phelan
Charles Shilling
Bruen Kidd

John Sterling Houser, Deputy County Attorney
Gillian Bacon, Legal Assistant, II
Lt. Joshua Krum, SMCSO Representative

Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Call to Order: A. CALL TO ORDER

Nickolas Cromwell, Chair, called the May 16, 2024 meeting of the Police Accountability Board to order at 6:30pm Chesapeake Building Meeting Room, Governmental Center.

2. ROLL CALL

Roll Call, Action, Roll Call: A. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

I move to approve the submitted agenda.

Motion by Leslie Everett, second by Charles Shilling.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Nickolas Cromwell, Michelle Dowleyne, Leslie Everett, Frank Kauffman, John Lydon, Dr Linda Lymas, Thomas Phelan, Charles Shilling, Bruen Kidd

3. NEW BUSINESS

Discussion: A. REVIEW OF ACC DISPOSITIONS

Nickolas Cromwell, Chairman, gave a brief summary of the Administrative Charging Committee's disposition of investigatory files #23-04 (OPR2023-1208), #23-05 (OPR2023-3893), and #23-06 (OPR2023-1291) to the Board. The chairman along with St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office Representative, Lt. Joshua Krum, took questions regarding these case files from PAB member, Charles Shilling.

Discussion, Information: B. 2024 LEGISLATIVE REVIEW FOR PAB/ACC

John Sterling Houser, Deputy County Attorney, gave the Board an overview of proposed legislation that would have had the potential, if enacted, to alter the way Police Accountability Boards and Administrative Charging Committees would conduct their business. All bills discussed died in committee and did not advance in the 2024 General Assembly Session.

Discussion: C. PAB ROSTER/MEMBER TERM DATES

The Board reviewed member term dates. The St. Mary's Police Accountability Board has three (3) staggered groups of members, with term dates expiring at different times.

4. OLD BUSINESS

Discussion: A. 2023 MARYLAND PAB ANNUAL REPORTS

The Board reviewed publicly posted 2023 Police Accountability Board (PAB) Annual Reports from various Maryland Counties. The Board agreed to revisit this topic as necessary, and to continue collecting information on the other 2023 PAB Annual Reports from across Maryland, which may not have been posted at the time of this meeting.

5. ADJOURN

Action: A. MOTION TO ADJOURN

I move to adjourn the May 16, 2024 meeting of the Police Accountability Board.

Motion by Nickolas Cromwell, second by Michelle Dowleyne.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Nickolas Cromwell, Michelle Dowleyne, Leslie Everett, Frank Kauffman, John Lydon, Dr Linda Lymas, Thomas Phelan, Charles Shilling, Bruen Kidd

Meeting was adjourned at 7:31 PM.