

OPARB
Minutes of
Wednesday, January 17, 2013 Meeting
5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Dale Tiffany, Chair - P
Liz Holohan, Member - P*
Pat Sainsbury, Member – P
Michael Pendleton Consultant - P

Joe Hawe, Member - P
Claudia D'Allegri, Member – P
Joe Hawe, Member - P

*(Absent = A, Present = P, Excused = E, * = by phone)*

1. Approval of today's agenda and minutes from 01/02/2013

Minutes were approved

2. Pendleton consultant contract update

Contract has been approved through March 31, 2013

3. Case review reports

After reviewing the 2008 reports, Dale noted that they are very extensive and detailed. It appears the same issues are still a concern today. Perhaps it is time to rethink the way the reports have been done by focusing on the issues below:

How long does it take to get the information, considering the core review is very tedious?

What is the process to perform a case review?

What can the board do so the review is not cumbersome? At one point in time the person staffing the board kept the cases for check out by the board. Should this be done again?

The board has asked for a list of reports filed with the City Clerk's office. Linda will work on getting this information to the board.

Type of case classifications the board may want to look at are:

Use of Force

Retaliation

Discriminatory Policing

It would be extremely helpful for the board if SPD had a standardized case file format.

Discussion continued about a Seattle University report which showed the number of officers who have "use of force" in a relatively short amount of time.



4. Letter to OPA Director re: case report summary

Dale has drafted a letter for members review. Letter was approved and will be sent to Kathryn Olson.

5. Status of new legislation re: OPARB

This legislation is still being worked on. A draft should be available in few weeks for review by board members.

6. OPARB policy on public communication

This has been approved by all board members. It will be posted on the website.

7. 2013- 2014 Strategic Plan

This has been approved by all board members. It will be posted on the website.

8. New business

a) Invite co-chairs of CPC to OPARB next meeting

On hold

Liz has asked if the board can fill the vacancies bringing the current board back up to 7 members in an effort to ensure adequate resources are available to fulfill the requirements of the board.

