Connecticut General Assembly Logistics

Subcommittee Police Transparency & Accountability Task Force

Rep. Joshua Hall, Chairperson



c/o Judiciary Committee, Room 2500 Legislative Office Building 300 Capitol Avenue Hartford, Ct 06106

Minutes

Tuesday, February 2, 2021 5:00 p.m., via Zoom

Attendees: Joshua Hall (Chair), Chief William Wright, John Szewczyk, Stephen Saloom, Ken Green, Shafiq Abdussabur, Tanya Hughes, Kelly Moore

Others: Ken Barone (CCSU), Karen Boisvert (POSTC), C.J. McGuffey (POSTC), Renee LaMark Muir (CCSU), Brian Anderson (AFSCME Council 4), Sharad Samy (CCSU)

- I. Convene meeting and welcome
 - a. Chair Hall convened the meeting at 5:02pm. At the request of the chair, members and guests introduced themselves.
- **II.** Approve January 5, 2021 meeting minutes
 - a. A motion was made by Chief William Wright to approve the minutes from 1/05/21. The motion was seconded by John Szewczyk. The minutes were approved unanimously.

III. Old Business

a. Citizen Complaint database- Review modifications

Ken Barone informed subcommittee members that at the January 2021 task force meeting, the recommendation of the subcommittee for a citizen complain database was sent back to the subcommittee for further discussion. The original recommendation requested that OPM maintain a citizen complaint database. There was not consensus among the task force that OPM should be responsible for housing this database. The subcommittee was asked to reconsider where the citizen complaint database would be housed.

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The subcommittee recommended that the Police Officer Standards and Training Council be responsible for housing citizen complain information. It was also recommended that POSTC partner with a local institution of higher education to manage the database and compile any relevant findings. Karen Boisvert stated that she would vet this proposal with the POST Council and update members. The proposal was tabled until more information was provided by POSTC.

b. Internal Affairs Work Group Update

Renee LaMark Muir updated members on the progress of the Internal Affairs Work Group. The work group anticipates that they will provide recommendations at the March meeting.

IV. New Business

a. Civilian Review Board Proposal

Ken Barone presented a draft recommendation forwarded by the Connecticut Bar Association Policing Task Force on the requirement for civilian review boards. The recommendation outlined guidelines that municipalities should consider when developing review boards. The recommendation also required that all communities with a police department as well as those communities under the jurisdiction of the Connecticut State Police Resident Trooper Program be required to have a CRB. Members briefly discussed the proposal and asked for additional time to consider the recommendation.

V. Announcement of time and date of next meeting

a. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 2nd at 5:00 p.m.

VI. Adjournment

a. The meeting was adjourned at 6:22 p.m.