

**Regular Board Meeting
Police Accountability Board
May 18, 2023 at 6:30 PM**

245 E. Main Street, Rochester, NY
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Attendees

Board Members: Lawrence Knox (Chair), Arlene Brown (Vice Chair), William Clark
Rabbi Drorah Setel, Mary E. Wambach

Absent/Excused: Daniel Cadet, Rev. Keith Patterson

Staff: Sherry Walker-Cowart, Natalie Wilson

ASL Interpreters: Kel Mullaney, Anna Walton

Item	Details	Vote	Time
Start of Meeting	<p><u>Welcome & Introductions:</u></p> <p>Chairperson Knox called the meeting to order and requested self-introductions. Board members self-introduced.</p>		6:53PM
Approval of Prior Minutes	<p><u>Minutes:</u></p> <p>May 4, 2023. Motion to approve the minutes made by A Brown, with a second by D. Setel. Motion carried.</p>	Unanimous	6:55PM
Staff Report	<p><u>Staff Report:</u></p> <p>Staff has completed three more days of training this week, as required by the charter. Interviews for two staff attorney positions will begin next week.</p> <p>Investigations Updates</p> <p>Case status charts were disseminated. As of April 30, 2023 there were 313 cases. As of May 18, 2023 there were 330 cases.</p> <p>Questions asked:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is the percentage of the seventy-one cases pending close are lack of jurisdiction. Answer TBD 2. Can the chart be posted on the website? Yes. <p>Request for information was raised referencing 49 days. Since September of 2022 through today, the average number of days is about 23. Currently initial requests are responded to within a few days. If two or more requests are submitted, that elongates the timeframe for receipt of information.</p>		6:56PM

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<p>Chair's Report</p>	<p>Policy and Oversight Updates The Police Data Transparency Policy Proposal is complete and will be presented under old business for a vote.</p> <p><u>Chair's Report</u> Three members of the Board will review cases in executive session after the Board meeting. This has been a long time coming and we are grateful to those former staff members who put in the work for this day. Thanks to current staff members who continue to do the work.</p> <p>This is the City's budget time. There has been a lack of clarity on the PAB funding level. It is still expected that the PAB will be funded at \$5 million. The proposed and submitted organizational chart is a plan for immediate needs. There must be room and opportunity for growth. The new fiscal year will be the year to determine what is needed for the PAB to fully function. The request is to ask City Council to keep the funding level at \$5 million to get new leadership, fill positions and grow based on the needs of the community and the work. We should not have to fight for additional funds as needed. Staff and resources are needed to do this work.</p> <p>Recognition for the good and hard work of Policy and Oversight, and Public Affairs and community outreach. A. Brown stated the billboards are up and encourages the community to see them, as well as listen for radio ads.</p> <p>We are excited for our new board members. There are still two openings, and we continue to mourn the loss of our Board member Dr. Harrison. We are looking for a full Board.</p>		<p>6:59PM</p>
<p>New Business</p>	<p><u>Committee Reports:</u> Training: There is a request to focus training requirements for the Board specifically on the work of the Board. Staff is meeting their training requirements. Search Committee: This is currently in development</p> <p><u>New Business</u> A three member panel will review cases completed by investigators.</p>		<p>7:05PM</p> <p>7:09PM</p>

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<p>Old Business</p>	<p><u>Old Business:</u> The Police Data Transparency Proposal for Change is being re-presented to the Board. Training sessions were held with Board members where the details of the document were presented and discussed. An affirmative vote is requested.</p> <p>Motion made by L. Know with a second by A. Brown to approve the Data Transparency Proposal for Change. Motion carried.</p>	<p>Unanimous</p> <p>Unanimous</p>	<p>7:13PM</p>
<p>Executive Session</p>	<p>ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION – Motion made by L. Knox with a second by W. Clark.</p> <p>End of meeting.</p>		