



Portland Committee on Community-Engaged Policing Behavioral Health Subcommittee

April Minutes

Tuesday, April 21, 2020 6:00-7:30pm

Via Zoom

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chair; Amy Anderson, Ann Campbell, Andre La Roche, Vadim Mozyrsky, Ann Campbell

PUBLIC PRESENT

17 Participants

Minutes

Welcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcoming remarks from Subcommittee member Vadim.• New PCCEP members, city officials and community members provide an introduction of themselves.• This is the first public meeting for the relaunch of the subcommittee. Previous name was “Subcommittee for People with Mental Illness” new name is “Behavioral Health Subcommittee”.
Public Feedback	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Public experiences with the previous subcommittee:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Continuous involvement from former members that are still interested in being apart of the PCCEP behavioral subcommittee○ Previous member mentions how former members felt like no one was listening.○ Reinsurance that people who are most effected by mental health will be heard.○ Very important to get the perspective from the mental health community.○ A tracker for recommendations submitted is needed.○ Lack of response to recommendations previously submitted to the whole PCCEP. Suggestion that a dialogue be created for recommendations and keep track of recommendations submitted.○ PCCEP now has in place a system for recommendations submitted.• Public feedback, inputs and concerns:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Question: What is the group trying to accomplish? Answer: Building relationships with the community and the police that provide a better experience for the mental health community.○ The focus of this subcommittee is making recommendations, learning, and training around behavioral health.○ This subcommittee is supposed to be what the community wants it to be.



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The PCCEP exist because of the Settlement Agreement but the subcommittee is not tied to the Settlement Agreement. ○ The expertise and lived experience of the mental health community is important for the subcommittee. Having background knowledge is key. ○ There is a need for police training around mental health (e.g. how to deal with disabilities).
<p>Training Advisory Council Collaboration</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Invite the training division from the police bureau, and the Training Advisory Council (TAC) and have a dialogue on what's being done right now. ● Prospect of a collaborative effort with the TAC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Invite Shawn Campbell, chair of the TAC, to attend the next Subcommittee meeting in May. ○ Vadim will connect with Shawn to have a representative from TAC attend the subcommittee May meeting. ● Reviewing and providing feedback on current training surrounding the Portland Police Bureau (PPB) responsibilities when encountering an individual experiencing a mental health crisis <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ PPB provides quarterly reports that contain information on mental health crisis. ○ Invite folks from the PPB training division to the next subcommittee meeting in May. ○ Question: Is there a COVID-19 training set? Answer: There is a COVID command center. ○ PPB does now have a Podcast that discusses COVID-19 and other related topics to the community. ○ There are officers who are teamed up with mental health clinicians.
<p>Behavioral Health Unit Advisory Council</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Behavioral Health Unit Advisory Council (BHUAC) goal is to provide the appropriate services to people experiencing a mental health crisis. ● BHUAC helps coordinate the response of law enforcement in the wider mental health community. It was created to help guide the work of the Behavioral Health Unit (BHU). ● Why did BHUAC vote to be private vs. public advisory council? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A concern for the work and focus being disrupted. ○ A concern to provide a safe space for sensitive topics people feel comfortable discussing. ○ The need for a more public face. ○ The minutes and membership are posted online. ● Possibility of recommending that a PCCEP member sit on BHUAC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ PCCEP member could serve as a liaison to the BHUAC? ○ Honor the BHUAC and collaborate with them on behalf of PCCEP and the mental health community. ● DOJ has also monitored ECIT training. ECIT training manuals are accessible on the website. ● BHUAC contact email is: contactbhuac@gmail.com.



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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Plan to host a joint listening session with BHUAC that goes to the area with a large population of people with mental health.• Initiative Petition 44 – “People suffering from addiction need help, not criminal punishments. The Drug Addiction Treatment and Recovery Act, or IP 44, is a citizen initiative that Oregonians will vote on in November”. Website: www.yesonip44.org• Closing remarks – Subcommittee meetings will be held on the first Tuesday of every month from 6:00-7:30pm. Next meeting is <u>Tuesday, May 5th from 6:00-7:30pm.</u> |
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