



Portland Committee on Community-Engaged Policing January Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 28, 2020, 5:30 – 8:30p

NARA Wellness Center - 12360 E. Burnside, Portland, OR 97233

YouTube Livestream: <https://youtu.be/cUpCIMQ-1ZY>

MEMBERS PRESENT

Lakayana Drury, Andrew Kalloch, Amy Anderson, Britt Masback, Patrick Nolen, Yolonda Salguiero, Marcia Perez, Steve Trujilo, Elliott Young

AGENDA

Welcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Co-chair Lakayana welcomes community members to the first PCCEP meeting of the year. Gives a thank you to the NARA Wellness Center for hosting the PCCEP January meeting and the catering vendor Pastas / Soup Coolerz. • PCCEP members introduce themselves and the subcommittee they're a part of. • Moment of silence is shared within the room to honor individuals who have passed. • PCCEP Project Director Theo Latta provides the public with a background on NARA and the services the wellness center provides for Indigenous people.
City Officials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Statement from Portland City Mayor Ted Wheeler <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Thanks PCCEP for their service, recognizes the work is not easy however it is appreciated. Echo's the mission of the PCCEP is to work closely with the Mayor's office, Portland Police Bureau (PPB) and the community to achieve desired outcomes of equitable policing above constitutional requirements. And to engage in meaningful community dialogue and build trust in PPB. ○ Shares the Department of Justice notified the City that it is in substantial compliance with all terms of the Settlement Agreement. ○ Acknowledges the work is not done- We collectively provide more services and support to people experiencing mental illness and continue to explore ways to reduce uses of force including deadly force and work to do with racial disparities in the criminal justice system. ○ An expectation that PCCEP continues after the Settlement Agreement goes away- its vitally important to maintain PCCEP. The work of PCCEP has just begun and has the full support of the City, PPB. • Statement from Chief Resch <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Answered questions from the PCCEP Jan. 2, 2020 OPB "Think Out Loud" interview. ○ Q: Will there still be real commitment from PPB in working with the PPCEP? A: Yes, there will not be a change in the commitment PPB has with the PCCEP. ○ Q: How do we build trust? A: We need to strengthen the trust we have built. ○ Interested in how the community feels PPB can help reduce gun violence. Welcomes the community to engage, join and watch the Gun Violence Reduction Team work session on February 6th.



Subcommittee Reports

- Steering
 - Reported back to the full board on the meeting held with the Mayor – on how to strength community engagement (e.g. Consistent communication between PCCEP and the Mayor’s office on community concerns. Discussed creating a strategic plan for PCCEP and for every subcommittee that includes a mission statement. Crafting a joint statement and planning a strategy for the [PCCEP Status Conference on February 25th](#) .
- Youth
 - PPS survey (to gauge interest and opinions on School Resource Officers) materials have been submitted to IRB for review and approval to implement the survey across PPS high school. Working on implementing surveys for the youth at MacLaren. Plan is to release the survey in March, review data then present on the results.
- Racial Equity
 - Name change finalized from “Race, Ethnicity and Other” to “Racial Equity”. Mission statement finalized “Our mission is to lift the voices of people of color to shape how Portland Police Bureau (PPB) engages with our communities equitably.” Marcia name chair of the subcommittee. Drafted the [Procedural Justice Statement Policy Recommendation](#).
- Settlement Agreement and Policy
 - Held a town hall with Commissioner Hardesty on Facial Recognition Technology. Welcomes the community to bring any policy issues for the subcommittee to explore. The Mayor would like to coordinate community summit /townhall on Facial Recognition.
- People with Mental Illness
 - January subcommittee meeting discussed homelessness and traumatic brain injuries. February meeting will have a guest speaker from the Brain Injury Alliance of Oregon. Working on a joint statement from the subcommittee to present at the Status Conference on February 25th.

New Members

- New member introduction presentations:
 - (Youth Candidate) Taji Chesimet - Taji served on the Multnomah Youth Commission and on the Youth Against Violence and Youth Education/Voice sub-committees.
 - (Youth Candidate) Ja’Mari Etherly - Benson Polytechnic High School incredibly involved in the community and holds a role as a Word is Bond Community Ambassador.
 - Thabiti Lewis - professor at Washington State University in Vancouver and Interim Associate Academic Vice Chancellor. Literary scholar whose work engages critical race theory and masculinity via sport culture.
- PCCEP welcomes the new Youth members Taji Chesimet and Ja’Mari Etherly.
- Thabiti Lewis appointed as an alternate.

Court Statement

- [Draft Statement for February 25 Court Hearing](#)
- Statement draft created by PCCEP member Vadim – it goes paragraph by paragraph through the PCCEP portion of the Settlement Agreement to highlight what PCCEP has done and the resources the City has provided.



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Within each paragraph a statement will be made on whether or not PCCEP believes the City is in substantial compliance with each of those pieces of the Settlement Agreement regarding PCCEP. • Public Comment- Hopes that PCCEP will continue, that there will be a community-based group where the community can come to share their concerns. And hopes to see change the outcomes of reducing use of force that have real outcomes and not just checking boxes in the Settlement Agreement. • An updated Statement will be shared with the public prior to the February 25th court hearing. The Steering Committee will draft a statement on their behalf as well. • PCCEP will vote to approve the statement at the public meeting on Monday, February 24th at IRCO.
Body Cameras Recommendation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community-based Expectations and Concerns on Body Cameras Recommendation • PCCEP discussion – This is not an endorsement but a guide for the PPB on the implementation of a Body Camera pilot project. • Public Comment – The pilot project can be a solution for the community. A form of transparency. Portland Cop Watch is neutral about body cameras. • Pass by a vote of 7-1
Procedural Justice Recommendation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procedural Justice Statement Policy Recommendation • PCCEP discussion - The Recommendation is a policy proposal. This is a framework for the Procedural Justice policy. This is a policy concept and framework not the actual policy. • Public Comment – Collect data on the “reasons” for conducting a traffic stop vs. collecting traffic stops data which is already happening. • Pass by a vote of 6-0 • Closing remarks – The PCCEP February general body public meeting will be held on Monday, February 24th from 5:30-8:30pm at IRCO. This date change was made due to the court hearing that is on Tuesday, February 25th.