

BHUAC Meeting Minutes 12/07/2022

Committee Members

PRESENT

- Lieutenant Christopher Burley (non-voting member), PPB/BHU
- Barb. Rainish, Freelance Advocate
- Barbara Snow, Multnomah County Mental Health & Addiction Services
- Emily Rochon, PPB SCT
- Stephanie LaCarrubba, Multnomah County Sherriff's Office
- Beth Epps, Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare
- Melanie Payne, Bureau of Emergency Communications (BOEC)
- Bill Osborne, Oregon Health Authority (OHA)
- Emily Cooper, Disability Rights Oregon (DRO)
- Janie Gullickson, Mental Health & Addiction Association of Oregon (MHA AO)
- Cassi Sturtz, CARE OR
- Juliana Wallace, Central City Concern (CCC)
- Donald Meyers, American Medical Response (AMR)
- Deandre Kenyanjui, Multnomah County

ABSENT

- Darion Jones, Commissioner's Staff Representative
- Joseph Westover, Multnomah Public Defender's Office
- Melissa Eckstein, Unity

Observers Present:

- Megan Mohler, COCL
- Mary Claire Buckley, PPB
- Brynn Bonssdorf, PPB/BHU
- Sarah Ames, CAO
- Jared Hager, US DOJ

Presenters:

- Chase Bryson, PPB ECIT Coordinator

Welcome & Updates: Lieutenant Burley will send new members onboarding materials in the coming weeks.

BHUAC – Chairperson Janie Gullickson

PPB and BHU – LT Chris Burley – Recognition and thanks to Barb. Rainish, Juliana Wallace, Melissa Eckstein and Barb Snow for their presence and input during the PPB ECIT Certification Course dry-runs for the Trauma Informed Care (TIC) presentation and scenario and skill builders.

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Recommendations and Votes – 9 voting members required for quorum (16 voting members total)

o Reconcile BHUAC September 2022 Recommendation (VOTE):

FORMAL RECOMMENDATION:

- During the March BHUAC meeting each year:
 - The OIG will provide a presentation to the BHUAC regarding use of force on persons in actual or perceived mental health crisis.
 - A member of the Bureau will provide a report to the BHUAC regarding officer involved shootings and in-custody deaths.
- In addition, the OIG will also provide its quarterly force reports regarding use of force.
- After a full year cycle of this process the BHUAC will review the usefulness and any data gaps for future BHUAC use.

Barb. Rainish motioned and Bill Osborne seconded. **M/S/P**

- In favor: All members present
- Not in favor: 0
- Abstentions: Emily Cooper, Cassi Sturtz, Deandre Kenyanjui and Juliana Wallace

o BHUAC October 2022 Minutes (VOTE) – with edits

Beth Epps motioned and Barb. Rainish seconded. **M/S/P**

- In favor: All members present
- Not in favor: 0
- Abstentions: Emily Cooper, Cassi Sturtz, Deandre Kenyanjui and Juliana Wallace

PRESENTATION:

TOPIC: SOP 3-3 Enhanced Crisis Intervention Team (PRESENTER: Chase Bryson)

The Enhanced Crisis Intervention Team (ECIT) consists of volunteer sworn members who have completed the qualifying ECIT training course. A position in the ECIT program is open to non-probationary officers who are assigned to uniform positions. Officers completing the 40-hour ECIT training course will be identified by the "EC" skill identifier in the dispatch system.

SOP 3-3

Second dot: "Commitment to perform self-initiated activities"

- **Presenter stated:** The statement is vague and they were uncertain of its meaning.

Eighth dot: "Must not have a sustained use of force or mistreatment complaint involving a person with a mental illness within the last three years."

- **A committee member:** "How does this work? What happens in the 3-year period after a sustained use of force or mistreatment occurs? What is the punishment? Counseling and the ECIT program would review the incident specifically and see if it would be acceptable for the program.
- **Mary-Claire Buckley stated:** The eighth dot is part of the US DOJ settlement.

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- Lieutenant Burley will provide PPB Corrective Action Guide which should provide insight into the discipline/corrective action process. Once members review the guide we can follow-up to learn if members have additional questions.
- In relation to the sustained complaint occurring more than three years ago what is the assurance the member has been remediated?
 - The PPB Corrective Action Guide will be provided and should provide better understanding of what occurs to a member after a sustained complaint.

In relation to the most recent ECIT Certification Course, approximately 36 officers applied for 20 available positions.

- PPB response: At present BHU leadership performs a 360-review process including a review of personnel files.

A committee member asked: "Should the SOP reflect that consideration is made for ECIT officer shift availability when decisions are made?"

- PPB response: Yes, this is a factor that is taken into consideration.
- A committee member suggested adding: "It is the intention of the Bureau to have ECIT Officers evenly distributed between the precincts."

A committee member inquired: "How many ECIT officers are disqualified?"

- PPB response: One officer that applied for the most recent course was found ineligible.

It was agreed upon that additional work would be done amongst PPB personnel and that PPB would come back to the committee with the modified SOP.

TOPIC: BHU Behavioral Health Resource Guide finalization. (PRESENTER: Brynn Bonssdorf)

- In an effort to ensure the resources provided to the community are the most current and up-to-date PPB BHU will no longer create a Mental Health Resource Guide. The 2022 version will be the last edition and will be provided to PPB precincts, City Hall, Multnomah County Sherriff's Office (MCSO) and Cascadia Healthcare.
- PPB will begin to provide small index sized or smaller cards with phone numbers to the Multnomah County Call Center and Suicide and Crisis Lifeline. The card will also have QR codes linked to *Street Roots: Rose City Resource Guide* and to the Multnomah County Behavioral Health Resource Center (BHRC).

FORMAL RECOMMENDATION: PPB BHU will issue its final version of the Mental Health Resource Guide and thereafter transition to providing patrol officers with informational sheets with QR codes that link to a multitude of resources for community members.

Juliana Wallace motioned and Beth Epps seconded. **M/S/P**

- In favor: All members present
- Not in favor: 0

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DISCUSSION:

TOPIC: A committee member requested consideration regarding changing the BHUAC meeting day and/or time

- The committee agreed to participate in a Doodle poll to attempt to identify potential a new day and/or time.
 - The Doodle poll will include multiple days including the current meeting day and time
 - If a new day and/or time is decided upon by the committee the new meeting schedule not be implemented until 6 months after the announced date and time is formally voted upon by the committee.
 - A committee member stated: This schedule change would be very impactful for the group. Reassess for the whole group.
 - Beth & Chris plan to meet with Darion and message inclusion but also inquire about an alternative.

CONCLUSION: (3:20 to 4:00 pm – 30 minutes)

- Community Engagement Meeting Topics from this meeting for Q4? Send this out for consideration to the committee.
 - Not addressed because of time constraints.
- Proposed BHUAC Topics Calendar for January 2023 meeting.
 - Not addressed because of time constraints.
- Recommendations for proposed BHUAC Retreat.
 - Date
 - Duration
 - Location
 - Facilitator – Janie has a suggestion for this
 - Format
 - Not addressed because of time constraints.
- Future BHUAC Community Meetings are scheduled to occur on:
 - 4th Quarter 2022 – Thursday, January 5th, 2023 6:00 - 7:00pm –
 - 1st Quarter 2023 – Thursday, April 06, 2023
 - 2nd Quarter 2023 – Thursday, July 06, 2023
 - 3rd Quarter 2023 – Thursday, October 05, 2023
 - 4th Quarter 2023 – Thursday, January 04, 2024
 - A committee member:
 - How many members plan to be there and may we utilize a sign-up sheet?
 - May we revisit the expectation of committee members as it relates to the quarterly BHUAC Community Engagement Meeting?

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CONCLUSION (continued): (3:20 to 4:00 pm – 30 minutes)

- Recognition and appreciation for Janie Gullickson's six years of service as the BHUAC co-chairperson.
- Appointment of Beth Epps as BHUAC co-chairperson starting in January 2023.
- Appointment and welcome of new BHUAC members:
 - Felesia Otis
 - Cassi Sturtz
 - Emily Cooper
 - Deandre Kenyanjui

The next BHUAC Meeting will be January 25, 2023

2:00-4:00 PM in a hybrid version at the 11th Floor Conference Room Justice Center