

Office of Police Ombuds Commission Minutes

March 18, 2025

Meeting Minutes: 1:28

Meeting called to order at: 5:32

Attendance

 OPOC Commissioners present: Jenny Rose, Luc Jasmin, Ladd Smith, Amy McColm, Phillip Wetzel

• OPOC Commissioner absent: None

OPO staff members present: Bart Logue, Luvimae Omana, Christina Coty

• OPOC Legal – Brennan Schreibman

Briefing Session

- Agenda Commissioner McColm motioned to approve the agenda; Commissioner Wetzel seconded
 - 4 commissioners approved
 - o 1 abstention
- February Minutes Commissioner McColm motioned to approve the minutes; Commissioner Smith seconded
 - o 5 commissioners approved
 - 1 abstention

Items Session

- Public Forum: No one signed up to speak
- Ombuds Monthly Report for February:
 - 183 contacts in month, 21 interviews, 5 complaints and 8 referrals, 6 cases certified, 1 case returned for further investigation, 11 special cases reviewed, 1, review board, 15 IA interviews, 52 SPD meetings, 16 community meetings, 2 trainings
 - SPD Invitation for the OPOC to attend a training at the SPD Academy April 18th.
 Flyer will be coming. A notice will need to be posted regarding a quorum of the OPOC being present, but no business of the commission will be conducted.

Commission Business

- OPOC Expansion Resolution Draft
 - Discussed the pros and cons of adding additional commissioners. Commissioner McColm recommended working with the resolution language but holding off on the expansion until we are more stable with the replacements of commissioners who are leaving.
 - There were questions regarding when to use the legal advisor and when to use OPO staff for administrative work.
 - o Executive session for April's meeting to discuss the legal budgetary concerns
 - Commissioner McColm motioned to table the discussion of the expansion of the commission until the retreat; Commissioner Smith seconded

- 5 commissioners approved
- Guest Speakers
 - The commission discussed several options for guest speakers
 - Mayor, Jarrel Haynes, Human Rights Commission, Chief Hall, Assistant Chiefs, Police
 Guild, Walter Kendrick (SCAR), NROs, WA Coalition for Police Accountability, IA
- OPOC Retreat / June Meeting
 - OPOC Retreat Scheduled for June 26-27
 - No meeting for June
 - Christina will send out the training from examples
- Commissioner Speak out
 - McColm Was happy to see that the SPD was training on the recommendations that the OPO made. She had concerns about the Blue Lives Matter flag at the police training center and that an officer was wearing a punisher emblem on their uniform at the range. She went on a ride along with a Sgt. and it was great
 - Wetzel Also went on an SPD ride along and attended the SPD in-service and it was great
 - Jasmin Was dis-heartened about the Blue Lives Matter flag. Hoping that SPD Awards will have representation from the OPOC
 - Smith Nothing
 - Rose Nothing

Motion Passes or Fails: 3
Meeting Adjourned at: 7:20

Note: Minutes are summarized by staff. A video recording of the meeting is on file -

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