



Office of Police Ombudsman Commission Minutes

April 19, 2022

Meeting Minutes: 1:34

Meeting called to order at: 5:33 pm

Attendance

- OPOC Commissioners present: Jenny Rose, Luc Jasmin, Ladd Smith, Lili Navarrete
- OPOC Commissioners absent: James Wilburn
- Legal Counsel: Tim Szambelan
- OPO staff members present: Bart Logue, Luvimae Omana, Christina Coty

Briefing Session

- Agenda – Approved
- March 15th minutes – Approved

Items Session

- Public Forum: Anwar Peace
 - Believes that police reform activists are being targeted by SPD
 - Many people are afraid to raise their voices because of potential repercussions
- Guest Speaker: Detective Dunkin
 - Spoke about the past friction that have been associated with the OPO/OPOC and the Police Guild. He believes that this was unnecessary and is working towards fixing the relationships.
 - Talked about May 31, 2020, Protest/Unrest and the Police Guild grievance
 - City never scheduled follow up meetings to discuss the concerns of the Guild
 - Discussion ensued on ways to move transparency forward in the future
- OPO Monthly Report March 2022:
 - Contacts – 141, Community Meetings – 7, Complaints – Referrals – 4, Cases Certified – 5, Special Cases – 16, Review Boards – 3
 - Meghann Steinolfson reached out for OPO input for police guild negotiations regarding the mediation closing reports
 - Luvimae Omana briefed a complaint that the OPO has declined to certify
 - Bart discussed potential pros and cons about regarding a potential independent investigation
 - The OPO has requested case files from SPD for the OPOC to review

Commissioners' Business

- Decline to Certify C21-070 / OPO 21-33:
 - Luvimae presented a brief on the case.
 - This case will be discussed further during an upcoming OPOC Meeting
- OPOC Retreat:
 - Official date of meeting is scheduled for May 21st at 9am
 - Bart mentioned an opportunity for a group training with the Spokane Human Rights Commission shoot / don't shoot simulation at SPD Training academy

- The Commissioners would like to wait on the training so that they can solely focus on the retreat.
- Christina will reach out to the Human Rights Commission to schedule the joint training
- Community Stakeholder Meeting:
 - Commissioner Rose informed the Commission that there have been approximately 3 meetings in a 2-year span. She believes this to be a waste of time and is planning to resign from it.
 - Commissioner Rose will be sending a letter of resignation from the Community Stakeholder Meetings to Christina
- Commissioner Speak Out:
 - None

Motion Passes or Fails: 2

Meeting Adjourned at: 7:07

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