



## Police Community Engagement Board

2/28/2023@ 6:33 PM | Meeting called to order by Lexie O'Brien

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### 2. Roll Call

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Dr. Scott Groesch  
Lexie O'Brien  
Chief Dale Curtis  
Katy Miller  
Kevin Sombart  
John Buck  
Centron Felder  
Sloane Carfield

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### 3. Review and Approve January 2023 Minutes

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Approval of January 2023 Minutes with spelling correction to Lexie O'Brien's name throughout

Motion by Dr. Scott Groesch

Second by Kevin Sombart

All Members voted in the affirmative

Lexie notified the PCEB that member Paul Detrick resigned from the board.

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### 4. Update Report from WGPD

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Chief Curtis advised that there have been four newly hired officers in the Police Department since the last meeting along with 2 resignations and one planned retirement.

### 5. Review summary of the community survey and discuss suitability of posting on the PCEB webpage

The Board received the results of the survey via e-mail and reviewed prior to the meeting (attached)

### 6. Share 3-5 take aways from the above summary of the community survey suggestions

The Board discussed the results of the community survey items noted but not limited to included

Limited community awareness of the PCEB

The desire for increased foot patrol by the WGPD

The desire to have more of a connection to the officers

Officers citing good behavior not just bad (ice cream tickets etc.) as a way to connect

PCEB continuing to meet with community groups for input

Increased public information on crimes

Defining diversity more broadly than race

Desire for the police department to have more “open house” or “meet and greet” opportunities or connecting these to existing events such as Jazz fest or Poarch fest

Simplified communication strategies

Officer Bios through social media/WKT

Duties of the SRO (Chief Curtis will provide the Board a copy of the MOU with the WGSD)

Resources for mental health and domestic violence availability

Communication and ease of finding information particularly regarding the AG traffic stops report and disparity numbers

The Board discussed creating a pamphlet or QR code to hand out when meeting with community groups to provide more information on the WGPD and the PCEB

John noted that the survey seemed to be skewed to an older demographic and that he would be willing to review the existing survey and work to update to reach a younger demographic.

It was noted that the survey was given to groups with an older demographic and that finding ways to survey younger populations should be explored. Discussion was had regarding surveying both the university and high school students. The Board will explore options to survey anonymously and with tabulation.

Chief Curtis discussed how “foot patrol” is utilized (Old Webster/Old Orchard/parks) with limited resources and the limitations of legally releasing information to the public noting that when it is a matter of public safety the department releases all information it can within legal constraints.

Kevin suggested picking one topic and promote a single topic for a time before choosing another topic, i.e. “deep diving” a topic. John suggested choosing one topic per quarter for the PCEB to promote to the public.

## 7. Public Safety PSAs

Sloan presented her ideas regarding a PSA to be used on city social media and presented a Power Point of her ideas for a PCEB logo noting that the ideas had been reviewed by the city and follow brand standards. The Board have input on the logos presented and Sloan will make some suggested changes and present for approval at the next meeting. Additionally, she presented some ideas for social media PSAs to be shared by the city. Lexie discussed the limitations to collaborating on documents considering city policy for Boards and Commissions and Sunshine Law. Chief Curtis reminded the Board that meeting without a quorum is not subject to Sunshine Law and he will schedule to City Attorney to attend an upcoming meeting to review the law with the Board.

## 8. Appoint a committee or board member responsible for creating a model for small listening sessions

Tabled

9. Appoint someone to create a calendar of key city, school district, business, nonprofit and community association dates

The Board decided that a calendar was not a priority and not currently a good use of the Board members limited time and resources.

10. Updates from Board Members and Subcommittees

A. New date for WU “Redefining Public Safety” presentation

John will reach out to see if March or April meetings would be a time that worked for WU

B. Permission granted for lanyard purchase

Jenny will place the order through a city account

11. Homework: Write your personal statement of purpose for PCEB. E-mail to Lexie by March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023

12. Adjourn 7:54 p.m. – Next Meeting 3/28/2023

Motioned by Kevin Sombart

Second by Centron Felder

All members voted in the affirmative