Meeting Minutes – Meeting #43 Tuesday, February 4, 2025



Board

Present Brooke Burns, Chair Present Dr. Chenelle Jones, Vice Chair Absent Derek H. Anderson Present Dr. James Ford Present Crystal R. Jackson Present Pastor Richard Nathan Present Kyle Strickland Present Mary Younger

Guests

Present Jacqueline Hendricks Present Richard Blunt II Present Stephanie Brock Present Robert Tobias Present Tiara Ross

WELCOME

Chair Burns called the meeting to order at 2:01PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Dr. James Ford made a motion; Mary Younger seconded to approve the January 7th meeting minutes. Minutes approved unanimously.

UPDATE FROM THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

Inspector General Hendricks stated the *Summary of Complaints and Investigation Data* for the month of January will be emailed to the CPRB later this week.

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM CHAIR BURNS

Chair Burns announced that there will be a new Board Member starting in May.

Elections will take place next month for the Chair and Vice Chair of the Civilian Police Review Board.

REVIEW OF INSPECTOR GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS

REVIEW OF CASES:

 $Committee \ \#1: 23-0205/0208, 24-1042, 24-1349, 24-1373, 24-1442, 24-1456, 24-1474, 24-1489$

24-1497, 24-1572, 24-1581, and 24-1590

Committee #3: 24-1322, 24-1388, 24-1419, 24-1441, 24-1449, 24-1466, 24-1487, 24-1528, 24-

1546, 24-1595, 24-1606 and 24-1615

2023-0205/2023-0208:

Allegation:

1. The complainant alleged the focus officer's "behavior was reckless, unnecessary and senseless" in regards to the officer's shooting on February 5, 2023.

Recommendation:

1. Administrative Closure

Motion: Pastor Rich Nathan

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Second: Dr. Chenelle Jones Abstain: Kyle Strickland Motion carried: Approved

2024-1042:

Allegation:

- 1. The complainant alleged the officer wrongly detained him.
- 2. The complainant alleged the officer conducted an unlawful search.
- 3. The complainant alleged the officer was rude to him.

Recommendation:

- 1. Unfounded
- 2. Unfounded
- 3. Unfounded

Motion: Pastor Rich Nathan Second: Dr. Chenelle Jones Abstain: Kyle Strickland Motion carried: Approved

Additional DIG Allegation/Recommendation:

Allegation:

1. The officer failed to advise the channel dispatcher of the location and nature of the run as it related to self-initiated activity.

Recommendation:

1. Sustained

Motion: Pastor Rich Nathan Second: Dr. Chenelle Jones Abstain: Kyle Strickland Motion carried: Approved

2024-1349:

Allegation:

- 1. The complainant alleged the Officers response to and handling of a stabbing call was improper.
- 2. The complainant alleged Officers improperly searched her residence.

Recommendation:

- 1. Unfounded
- 2. Exonerated

Motion: Pastor Rich Nathan Second: Dr. Chenelle Jones Abstain: Kyle Strickland Motion carried: Approved

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2024-1373:

Allegation:

- 1. The alleged that the handcuffs were placed too tightly and the CPD officer wouldn't loosen them.
- 2. The complainant alleged that when he complained about the handcuffs being too tight, a CPD officer "snatched" him from the car.
- 3. The complainant alleged that CPD officers jumped on him while he was face down on the ground and started taking his jewelry off of his hands and hobble strapped him because a CPD officer said he was trying to run.
- 4. The complainant alleged that CPD officers did not give their name or badge number when asked.

Recommendation:

- 1. Unfounded
- 2. Unfounded
- 3. Unfounded
- 4. Unfounded

Motion: Pastor Rich Nathan Second: Dr. Chenelle Jones Abstain: Kyle Strickland Motion carried: Approved

2024-1442:

Allegation:

- 1. The complainant alleged an officer advised he had to identify himself or he could be arrested although he was just a passenger in the vehicle.
- 2. The complainant alleged an officer was not truthful about the complainant not wearing a seatbelt.
- 3. The complainant alleged an officer did not allow him to get items out the vehicle before it was towed.

Recommendation:

- 1. Exonerated
- 2. Sustained
- 3. Exonerated

Motion: Pastor Rich Nathan Second: Dr. Chenelle Jones Abstain: Kyle Strickland Motion carried: Approved

2024-1456:

Allegation:

- 1. The complainant alleged the officer used excessive force by dragging him down some stairs and through the streets.
- 2. The complainant alleged he was placed in a police car for no reason.

Recommendation:

1. Sustained

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2. Unfounded

Motion: Pastor Rich Nathan Second: Dr. Chenelle Jones Abstain: Kyle Strickland Motion carried: Approved

2024-1474:

Allegation:

- 1. The complainant alleged the officer ran a warrant check on him.
- 2. The complainant alleged the officer threatened to arrest him for calling 911.

Recommendation:

- 1. Exonerated
- 2. Unfounded

Motion: Pastor Rich Nathan Second: Dr. Chenelle Jones Abstain: Kyle Strickland Motion carried: Approved

2024-1489:

Allegation:

- 1. The officer attempted to enter the complainant's residence without knocking or permission.
- 2. The officer was rude and disrespectful by advising that he could do whatever he wanted to do.
- 3. The officer was rude when her husband asked for his badge number and he responded "do you want to write it down or just take a picture since you want to complain?"

Recommendation:

- 1. Unfounded
- 2. Unfounded
- 3. Unfounded

Motion: Pastor Rich Nathan Second: Dr. Chenelle Jones Abstain: Kyle Strickland Motion carried: Approved

#2024-1497:

Allegation:

- 1. The complainant alleged she urinated on herself after she informed the officers she was diabetic and that she could not hold it while in police custody.
- 2. The complainant alleged an officer was rude/discourteous to her during the incident.
- 3. The complainant alleged an officer improperly searched her vehicle when it was impounded for window tint.

Recommendation:

- 1. Exonerated
- 2. Unfounded

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3. Unfounded

Motion: Pastor Rich Nathan Second: Dr. Chenelle Jones Abstain: Kyle Strickland Motion carried: Approved

#2024-1572:

Allegation:

1. The complainant explained that his allegation is with how the officers treated him and how the officer believed the complainant had drugs in his vehicle when the suspected drugs were just cleaning supplies.

Recommendation:

1. Unfounded

Motion: Pastor Rich Nathan Second: Dr. Chenelle Jones Abstain: Kyle Strickland Motion carried: Approved

#2024-1581:

Allegation:

- 1. The complainant alleged that CPD Officers would not listen to her side of the story.
- 2. The complainant alleged that a CPD officer was rude and intimidating towards her.
- 3. The complainant alleged that CPD officers took a report and had complainant listed as the suspect, which she did not believe was correct.

Recommendation:

- 1. Unfounded
- 2. Unfounded
- 3. Exonerated

Motion: Pastor Rich Nathan Second: Dr. Chenelle Jones Abstain: Kyle Strickland Motion carried: Approved

#2024-1590:

Allegation:

- 1. The complainant alleged the officers did not tell him what he was being arrested for.
- 2. The complainant alleged the officers never read him his Miranda rights.
- 3. The complainant alleged the officers took his apartment key out of his wallet without his permission and provided his key to his now ex-girlfriend, who at the time of the incident was his girlfriend.

Recommendation:

- 1. Unfounded
- 2. Unfounded
- 3. Unfounded

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Motion: Pastor Rich Nathan Second: Dr. Chenelle Jones Abstain: Kyle Strickland Motion carried: Approved

#2024-1322:

Allegation:

1. The complainant alleged the Officers did not properly investigate a domestic violence call.

Recommendation:

1. Unfounded

Motion: Mary Younger Second: Dr. James Ford

Motion carried: Approved, unanimous

#2024-1388:

Allegation:

- 1. The complainant alleged Officers searched her home without a warrant.
- 2. The complainant alleged that CPD Officers were rude by asking if she can't read after asking for the names of the Officers and their badge numbers.
- 3. The complainant alleged that the Officer, "slammed" her to the ground.

Recommendation:

- 1. Unfounded
- 2. Unfounded
- 3. Sustained
- 2. Motion: Unfounded

Motion: Mary Younger Second: Dr. James Ford

Motion carried: Approved, unanimous

#2024-1419:

Allegation:

- 1. The complainant alleged that a CPD officer banged on her door and did not announce themselves.
- 2. The complainant alleged that a CPD officer tried to get into her locked residence.

Recommendation:

- 1. Unfounded
- 2. Unfounded
- 3. Motion: Unfounded

Motion: Mary Younger Second: Dr. James Ford

Motion carried: Approved, unanimous

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#2024-1441:

Allegation:

1. The complainant alleged after the suspect was arrested, a Columbus Police officer drove a police vehicle through his front lawn causing unnecessary damage, when he could have driven from the scene by way of the alley.

Recommendation:

1. Exonerated Motion: Mary Younger

Second: Dr. James Ford

Motion carried: Approved, unanimous

Additional DIG Allegation/Recommendation:

Allegation:

1. The Lieutenant used profanity during his apprehension of the suspect.

Recommendation:

1. Sustained

Motion: Mary Younger Second: Dr. James Ford

Motion carried: Approved, unanimous

#2024-1449:

Allegation:

- 1. The complainant alleged that a CPD officer broke into her home in uniform and while on duty.
- 2. The complainant alleged the officers ripped a flag from the wall and they bent a sign while attempting to remove it from the wall.
- 3. The complainant alleged that an officer threatened her through her father.

Recommendation:

- 1. Unfounded
- 2. Unfounded
- 3. Unfounded

Motion: Mary Younger Second: Dr. James Ford

Motion carried: Approved, unanimous

#2024-1466:

Allegation:

- 1. The complainant alleged the officer did not make the man leave even though he was threatening to shoot people.
- 2. The complainant alleged the officer looked into her vehicle and ran her tags without probable cause.
- 3. The complainant alleged the officer threatened to tow her vehicle due to her vehicle being parked in in a handicap spot.

Recommendation:

1. Exonerated

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2. Exonerated

3. Exonerated

Motion: Mary Younger Second: Dr. James Ford

Motion carried: Approved, unanimous

Additional DIG Allegation/Recommendation:

Allegation:

1. The officer made rude remarks and used profanity directed toward the complainant during their interaction.

Recommendation:

1. Sustained

Motion: Mary Younger Second: Crystal Jackson

Motion carried: Approved, unanimous

#2024-1487:

Allegation:

- 1. The complainant alleged that a CPD Officer was not being cooperative with her by laughing when asked how to spell his name.
- 2. The complainant alleged that a CPD Officer continued to speak with her minor daughter after being asked not to.
- 3. The complainant alleged that a CPD Officer told her and her daughter how to handle her daughter's disability.
- 4. The complainant alleged that a CPD Officer did not assist her daughter while in crisis, instead he continued to agitate her deliberately.

Recommendation:

- 1. Unfounded
- 2. Exonerated
- 3. Unfounded
- 4. Unfounded

Motion: Mary Younger Second: Dr. James Ford

Motion carried: Approved, unanimous

#2024-1528:

Allegation:

1. The complainant alleged that a CPD officer stuck a finger in his rectum while taking him into custody.

Recommendation:

1. Withdrawn

Motion: Mary Younger Second: Dr. James Ford

Motion carried: Approved, unanimous

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#2024-1546:

Allegation:

- 1. The complainant the Officer did not complete an accurate report of the incident.
- 2. The complainant alleged the Officer refused to attempt to make contact with the suspect.

Recommendation:

- 1. Unfounded
- 2. Unfounded

Motion: Mary Younger Second: Dr. James Ford

Motion carried: Approved, unanimous

#2024-1595:

Allegation:

1. The complainant alleged the officer gave her false information and told her insurance information was in a report but it was not.

Recommendation:

1. Exonerated

Motion: Mary Younger Second: Dr. James Ford

Motion carried: Approved, unanimous

Mary Younger: The BWC indicated that the Officer stated that complainant asked multiple times that she needed the insurance information. The Officer did take the insurance information but did not include it in the report. The Officer did not violate policy, but after stating that he would give the complainant the information, he did not give it to them. The committee wanted it documented that this behavior is inappropriate.

#2024-1606:

Allegation:

1. The complainant alleged the officer did not conduct sobriety tests on someone who appeared to be impaired.

Recommendation:

1. Exonerated

Motion: Mary Younger Second: Dr. James Ford

Motion carried: Approved, unanimous

#2024-1615:

Allegation:

- 1. The complainant alleged the officers did not complete any field sobriety tests even after the woman admitted she had been drinking.
- 2. The complainant alleged the officers did not complete a report.
- 3. The complainant alleged the officers did not arrest the woman.

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- 4. The complainant alleged the officers did not verify the exchange of information Recommendation:
 - 1. Unfounded
 - 2. Exonerated
 - 3. Exonerated
 - 4. Exonerated

Motion: Mary Younger Second: Dr. James Ford

Motion carried: Approved, unanimous

Questions and Recommendations from the Civilian Police Review Board

- What could the CPRB do to advocate for the DIG in order to get a database that has complainant information that residents are able to access. The DIG
- The CPRB would like to see about the monthly meetings being virtual. Attorney Tobias received a new memo regarding; House Bill 257. Currently, it doesn't appear that these meetings can be virtual but he will look into it further and give the board an update.
- Kyle Strickland would like for the Civilian Police Review Board to do a presentation to City Council to give them an update on what the CPRB has been doing.
- Kyle Strickland: Consider having the monthly board meetings at a different location.

CASE ASSIGNMENTS:

Investigation Review Committee #1 (Pastor Rich Nathan, Chair): 24-1491, 24-1548, 24-1555, 24-1573, 24-1594, 24-1601 and 24-1662

Investigation Review Committee #3 (Mary Younger, Chair): 24-1276, 24-1432, 24-1525, 24-1547, 24-1559, 24-1588 and 24-1719

MARCH MEETING

March 4, 2025 at 2:00 pm at the 111 N Front Street, Hearing Conference Room

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn. Mary Younger moved and Dr. Chenelle Jones seconded motion. All in favor, passes unanimously and meeting adjourned at 4:00PM.