

BALTIMORE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGING COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

MEETING #21 – OCTOBER 18, 2024 @ 12:00 PM, ROOM #118, HISTORIC COURTHOUSE AND VIA WEBEX

Call to Order and Roll Call:

- Chair Joan Harris called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.
- Chair Joan Harris, Vice-Chair Christopher Tsui, Elizabeth Dishon-Feuer and Sharon Knecht appeared in person.
- Henry Callegary was present from the Baltimore County Administrative Office.
- Alek Stathakis was present (via WebEx) from the Baltimore County Office of Law.

Approval of September 13, 2024 Meeting Minutes:

- Christopher Tsui moved to adopt the minutes of the September 13, 2024 Baltimore County Administrative Charging Committee meeting. Elizabeth Dishon-Feuer seconded the motion.
- The motion was approved unanimously.

New Business:

- Approval of the 2025 meetings schedule:
 - > January 3, 2025 @ 12:00 p.m., in-person (Room 118) and via Webex.
 - February 7, 2025 @ 12:00 p.m., in-person (Room 118) and via Webex.
 - March 7, 2025 @ 12:00 p.m., in-person (Room 118) and via Webex.
 - > April 4, 2025 @ 12:00 p.m., in-person (Room 118) and via Webex.
- Vice-Chair Christopher Tsui moved to schedule the 2025 ACC meeting dates as referenced above. Elizabeth Dishon-Feuer seconded the motion.
- The motion was approved unanimously.
- Part of the Police Accountability Board's (PAB) responsibility is to release an annual report at the end of each year. The annual report details, trends in policing and any policy recommendations of the PAB. As Elizabeth Dishon-Feuer sits on both the

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- Policy recommendations by the ACC:
 - A required response time to citizens i.e., if a citizen reaches out to an officer to ask them a question about an investigation etc.
 - Should simultaneous constituent, citizen and administrative complaints be combined into one?
 - > Policy regarding medical attention to pepper spray incidents.
- Elizabeth Dishon-Feuer commented that more information or demographics about complaints should be released to the public about the accused and the complainant. Mr. Callegary said they must be cautious of the confidentiality requirements and that he will discuss this will the Baltimore County Office of Law regarding the aforementioned.
- Mr. Callegary mentioned that the PAB will likely recommend to change the one year and one day deadline for the ACC to review cases when a criminal investigation is occurring simultaneously, revisions to the Maryland Police Accountability Act requiring complaints that are withdrawn by a complainant are investigated by a law enforcement agency, which in turn would mean they would go to the ACC, and removing departmental accident cases from the jurisdiction of the ACC, but would accept a case where the complaint is filed by a member of the public against an officer.
- Ms. Tamesha Peterson will begin her tenure as the newest member of the ACC at the November 15, 2024 meeting.
- The next BCPD Trial Boards will be held on October 22, 2024, October 23, 2024, November 6, 2024, November 18, 2024, November 25, December 2, 2024, December 17, 2024 and January 7, 2025.
- Chair Joan Harris stated that if any member of the ACC is served with a subpoena to testify at a proceeding they should contact Alek Stathakis from the Baltimore County Office of Law.

Move to closed session:

- At 12:19 p.m. Vice-Chair Christopher Tsui moved that the Baltimore County Administrative Charging Committee meet in closed session for the purposes of reviewing Baltimore County Police Department investigatory files and making determinations as to whether to administratively charge and recommend discipline against accused law officers per §3-3-2806 of the Baltimore County Code, and COMAR 12.04.09.05(D)(1). Elizabeth Dishon-Feuer seconded the motion.
- The motion to enter closed session was approved unanimously.
- During the closed session, members reviewed investigatory files and made determinations as to whether to administratively charge, and recommend discipline

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Return to open session:

- At 3:43 p.m. Vice-Chair Christopher Tsui moved that the Baltimore County Administrative Charging Committee return to open session. Elizabeth Dishon-Feuer seconded the motion.
- The motion to return to open session was approved unanimously.
- At 3:44 p.m. the Board re-entered open session.

Adjournment and Next Meeting:

- At 3:45 p.m., Vice-Chair Christopher Tsui moved that the Baltimore County Administrative Charging Committee adjourn until November 15, 2024 at 12:00 p.m., when it will meet in Room #118 of the Historic Courthouse and via WebEx. Elizabeth Dishon-Feuer seconded the motion.
- The motion was approved unanimously.