

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPARTMENT  
ADVISORY BOARD

May 3, 2019

A meeting of the Marquette University Police Department (MUPD) Advisory Board was called to order at the offices of MUPD, 749 N. 16<sup>th</sup> St. in Milwaukee, WI on Friday, May 3, 2019 at 9:01 a.m. Due and timely notice of the meeting, and an agenda and draft minutes from the previous meeting, were provided by email to each member of the Board in advance of the meeting. Notice of the meeting was also posted on the MUPD Advisory Board website. The meeting was open to the public.

**Roll Call.** Board members present in person at the meeting were Michael O’Hear, Chair of the Board and Professor, Marquette University Law School; Carol Trecek, Director of Continuing Education and Alumni Relations, Marquette University Dental School; Dr. Meghan Stroshine, Associate Professor in Social & Cultural Sciences, Klingler College of Arts and Sciences; and Sarah Mange, President of Marquette University Student Government (MUSG). Non-Board Members present at the meeting included Edith Hudson, MUPD Chief; Jeff Kranz, Assistant MUPD Chief; Ruth Peterson, MUPD Captain; Katie Berigan, MUPD Captain; Joe Erwin, MUPD Detective Lieutenant; Chris Gatzke, MUPD Sergeant; Kevin Conway, Associate Director of University Communication; and Jeff KipfmueLLer, Senior Associate General Counsel (as legal counsel to the Board). Keith Stanley, Executive Director of Avenues West and Near West Side Partners, was absent from the meeting.

**Consideration of Minutes of the March 1, 2019 Meeting.** The minutes for the March 1, 2019 Board Meeting were unanimously approved by the Board Members with no changes (motion made by Ms. Trecek, seconded by Dr. Stroshine).

**Update on Departmental Activities and Initiatives.** The following updates were provided by MUPD personnel:

- Organizational Structure and Vacancies: Captain Kranz was promoted on May 1, 2019 to Assistant Chief, to better reflect his current duties and responsibilities. On May 5, 2019, Michelle Adler will move from Office Coordinator to Office Manager. And, a new position of Data Analyst was approved for MUPD, in order to assist MUPD in providing better service. There are currently two police officer vacancies and one dispatcher vacancy. In addition, MUPD always has SSO (residence hall and apartment security officer) and LIMO driver vacancies.
- Pedestrian Safety Initiative: MUPD has received approval to hire four to six students for the purpose of pedestrian safety. Chief Hudson indicated that it is not her goal to make these people crossing guards, but she will look to find different ways to help people safely cross our streets, especially at busy times of the day. The plans are still being finalized. Equipment for these students will likely include fluorescent vests, whistles, hand-held stop signs, etc.
- Crime Statistics: Split into two categories—personal crimes and property crimes. Last year, from January 1, 2018 through April 30, 2018, there were 17 personal crimes; this year, we are at 13 personal crimes. It was noted that these are not necessarily Marquette-affiliated victims. For property crimes, we have seen an increase. For the same period as referenced above for last year, we had 75 property crimes; this year, we are at 98. Part of this is attributed to a spike in retail thefts at Walgreens, 7-11 and Sendik’s. MUPD is working with MPD’s community prosecution unit to help change the environmental design in these stores. Through this work, there has already been a

reduction in thefts from Sendik's. MUPD is now working with 7-11. The primary theft target is beer, especially after 9:00 p.m.

- Homicide at 19<sup>th</sup> and Wisconsin: Assistant Chief Kranz went through a chronology of events, which culminated in the arrest of a suspect, who actually admitted to the crime. MUPD was instrumental in the investigation and apprehension of the suspect.
- False Kidnapping Rumors: A number of social media posts recently suggested that a kidnapping had taken place on/near the Marquette campus. MUPD thoroughly checked into multiple social media posts and rumors and found no credible evidence to support such allegations. In fact, some of the students who had posted these rumors were charged with disorderly conduct (which resulted in deferred prosecution agreements).
- Citizen Complaints: There were five citizen complaints last year; two resulted in the officers being exonerated, two were unfounded, and one had an incomplete investigation because the officer was terminated due to another incident.
- Miscellaneous Statistics: There were seven incidents last year in which force was used by MUPD. There were zero firearm uses. There were five Taser uses. There were nine incidents of deployment, but not use, of Tasers. There were three incidents in which physical tactics were used. There was no OC spray or baton usage last year. Of the seven use of force incidents, none of them involved students. Also, no use of force on dogs/animals.
- Democratic National Convention: MUPD is actively involved in planning for the DNC which will be held in Milwaukee in July 2020. There are five subcommittees that are responsible for MUPD's involvement in this event. It will be a huge event for the city and Marquette will be very close to the perimeter, which will surround the Fiserv Forum. Planning continues.
- Technology Updates: The Eagle Eye app now has 1,562 subscribers and MUPD is looking to keep improving the app and its functionality. Members of MUPD recently visited the Motorola Innovation Center for technological ideas. MUPD is also looking at a new radio communication solution. Once we select a new radio product, it would take about six weeks in order to implement. The goal is to go live with a new radio technology by June 1, 2020, in advance of the DNC.
- Zilber Hall Protests: There was a brief discussion about protestors in Zilber Hall.
- "Run, Hide, Fight" Video: MUPD would like to create a video, similar to that made by Florida State University to train our community in Active Shooter procedures. Funding must be obtained to do so.

**Public Comments.** None.

**Other Business.** The Chair asked whether he should actively solicit the Wire to attend Board Meetings. Other members indicated that the Wire almost always attends these meetings.

**Selection of Next Meeting Date.** The next Board Meeting will be sent out once a date is determined, sometime in the Fall 2019 semester.

**Adjournment.** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by the Chair at 9:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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