

Police Civilian Review Panel
November 9, 2017, 7:00 p.m. Conference room 232,
Fairfax County Government Center
Meeting Summary

The meeting began at 7:00 pm.

Panel Members present:

Steve Descano

Hollye Doane

Doug Kay

Randy Sayles

Jean Senseman

Kathleen Davis-Siudut

Adrian Steel, Panel Chairman

Rhonda Van Lowe, Panel Vice-Chairman

Panel member absent:

Hansel Aguilar

Panel Chairman Steel called the meeting to order and announced that the Agenda items would be taken out of order.

Richard Schott, Independent Police Auditor, introduced Ms. Rachele Ramirez, who has joined his office from a non-profit organization that works on criminal justice issues.

1. Annandale Parade Arrest – The Panel agreed to defer any discussion of the Annandale arrest until a complaint is received by the Panel and the Fairfax County Police Department (FCPD) has completed its investigation.

2. Agenda and Logistics for Public Forums - The Panel has scheduled two Inaugural Forums; the first being Thursday, November 16 at 7:00 pm at the Heritage Human Services Center in Annandale. As outlined at the Oct 19 Panel meeting, the public forum agenda will be as follows:
 - a. Introduction and opening comments by Chairman Bulova
 - b. Comments by other Supervisors and/or officials in attendance
 - c. Welcome and agenda for the forum (Chairman Steel)
 - d. Brief comments (two to three minutes each) by Panel members present as to who we are, what we are about, and what we bring to the Panel
 - e. Description of the history and the roles and work of the Panel (Chairman Steel)

- f. Presentation on the scope and work of the IPA (Mr. Schott)
- g. Details for filing a complaint (Ms. Davis-Siudut)
- h. Process once a complaint is filed (Mr. Kay)
- i. Questions and answers about the Panel and the IPA
- j. Public Comment from the audience

Forum logistics are as follows:

- A reminder e-mail with the flyer attached will be sent early next week.
 - The Panel will not show the PowerPoint at the forums, but instead it will be used by the Panel speakers as a reference.
 - A “welcome” table will be placed at the entrance to include; a sign- up list with 10 three-minute speaking slots (with 5 alternate slots); a box for written comments with paper and writing materials for anyone who did not get or want a speaking slot; attendees will be advised that they can e-mail or mail comments to the Panel; the Panel brochure; and, copies of the screen shots of both the IPA and Panel webpages.
 - Major Gun Lee (FCPD) will invite the West Springfield and Mason Station Commanders to attend
3. Social media and Video Status Chairman Steel reminded the Panel that the webpage is live, and a press release was issued by Chairman Bulova’s office announcing that the Auditor and Panel are both accepting complaints and providing links to both websites
 4. Meetings with Community Organizations – Mr. Descano reported that he has heard from 5 or 6 groups interested in a presentation in 2018 from the Panel and Auditor. Chairman Steel noted that the Panel will want to include outreach to the Police Citizen Advisory Councils and Chief’s Diversity Council.
 5. Status of Panel Brochure – Chairman Steel thanked Ms. Doane and Vice Chair VanLowe for the excellent brochure and encouraged Panel members to email any “technical” edits directly to them by Monday morning.
 6. Date for Meeting with Independent Police Auditor - Chairman Steel noted that, per the Bylaws, the periodic meetings of the Panel with the Auditor are to be on the findings and recommendations of the Auditor. He further noted that a meeting will not be scheduled until the Auditor has issued a report.
 7. Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) – Major Lee updated the Panel on the CIT training scheduled on November 15 and noted that two Panel members are scheduled to attend. He commented that there will likely be another session in early 2018 and Panel members will be invited to attend.
 8. Report on November 1, 2017, Ad Hoc Commission Forum – Chairman Steel and Mr. Sayles gave a brief report on the November 1 Forum held to update the public on the Ad Hoc Commission recommendations. They noted that the Forum went well, but there was limited public attendance. The issues raised during the comment period included: (i) the timeline for release of the 2016 Use-of-Force (UOF) stats and for the analysis of the 2015 stats; (ii) disproportionality

as reflected in the 2015 UOF stats ; (iii) the Annandale parade arrest; and (iv) the need for an online docket to list the complaints received by the Panel, investigations being reviewed, and reports issued, so the public is aware of the status of the ongoing work of the CRP and IPA.

9. Report on National Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement (NACOLE) Annual Conference – Mr. Schott provided a brief report on the NACOLE annual conference that Mr. Aguilar and he attended and noted that the conference was very informative. A particular point of interest was the relative small number of jurisdictions with civilian oversight and the wide range of differences among jurisdictions with civilian oversight. He also noted that the attendees he met indicated that it typically will be a number of years for oversight to become fully effective since it takes a while for the public to learn about and gain trust in oversight.
10. December 7 Panel Business Meeting – Chairman Steel announced that the Panel’s next business meeting will be Thursday, December 7 at 7:00 pm at the Government Center. Major Lee will arrange for a tour of the new FCPD headquarters before the meeting at 6:00 pm. An agenda item at that meeting will be the Panel’s 2018 meeting calendar, to include the possibility of varying the meeting locations.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.