



King County

Public Defense Advisory Board Meeting

June 8, 2017
9:30 a.m. to noon

MINUTES

Board Members Present: Marc Boman; John Strait; Tom Hillier, ; , Paul Holland, Safia Ahmed (via phone). Pat Hamacher (Metropolitan King County Council staff)

1. Welcome

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:35 am and welcomed those present.

2. Approval of Minutes:

The minutes of the Board's May 4, 2017 meeting were unanimously approved as submitted.

3. Chair's Report

After speaking with DPD's union representatives it's been decided that the 2017 PDAB Employee survey will not be sent to employees. In communications with the unions, Paul Marvy of the Teamsters objected to the survey on the grounds that negotiations for the next contract are beginning in the near future. Ida Kovacic of SEIU, was willing to administer the survey on behalf of the PDAB to SEIU members and then share what the union felt was appropriate with the PDAB. The PDAB has conducted 23 interviews of criminal justice stakeholders and DPD leadership and reviewed the King County Employee Engagement Survey results for DPD (203 out of 378 DPD employees responded to the 2016 survey)., Chair proposes report move forward without survey this year using data at hand.

Marc, Matt and Kim Ambrose's Advisory Board terms expire June 30, 2017. All have agreed to re-appointment and the organizations they represent have indicated their desire for them to continue to serve. Pat Hamacher indicated they had been approved by Council.

Paul and Marc met with Larry Gossett, KC Council's Law & Justice Chair, who requested the Advisory Board make a formal presentation of the annual report to his Committee. Chair proposes a meeting with the committee (as opposed to a hearing).

Chair offered thanks to PDAB members, Lorinda, and her staff for his support in his time as chair and announced his stepping down from the position.

4. Department of Public Defense Director's Report

Lorinda thanked Marc, Paul and John for ongoing support. Acknowledged contributions of Tom Griffiths to unifying divisions and leading SCRAP. Dave Roberson to assume position of Interim Managing Attorney, Matt Pang will backfill for Roberson as Misdemeanor Supervisor in Kent. Floris Mikkelsen leaving DPD August 4th. Lorinda mentioned Floris' substantial role and asks for time during next meeting to speak to and on Floris' contributions. Interns are settling in, have mock trials upcoming, social event for interns was a success. Deputy Training Director Andre Vitale starts July 3rd. Research and Data Analyst position being offered this week to top candidate. Three civil attorney positions are posted (No posting for SCRAP because SCRAP does not practice in SMC). Office move is on schedule, going according to plan. Lorinda

meeting Facilities to discuss Kent expansion hold up. DPD and Seattle U have created a visiting clinical professor, currently Paul Holland.

5. **Election of New PDAB Officers** – Paul Holland Chair, Kim Ambrose Vice chair
6. **Other** - Gail Stone verbally solicits nominations for the Leo Flohr position
7. **Executive Session** – entered at 10:05 am
8. **Meeting Adjourned** – 11:35 am