
Gwinnett County Police Citizens Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 15, 2022- 6:00 pm

Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center- Conference Room A
75 Langley Drive, Lawrenceville

Present in person: Anthony Williams, Cheryl Murdock, Ruth McMullin, Latabia Woodward, Melaney Lagrone, Marc Cohen, Chief James McClure (ex-officio)

Present online/by phone: Chevy Vincent, Marqus Cole, Andy Morgan

Absent: Cathy Nichols, Pej Mahdavi

1. Call to order

Vice-chair Marc Cohen called the meeting to order at 6:11pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

{Action: Approved; Motion: Woodward; Second: Williams}

3. Approval of February 15, 2022 meeting minutes

{Action: Approved; Motion: Lagrone; Second: Murdock} Woodward abstained from voting.

4. Gang presentation by GCPD

Vice-chair Cohen yielded the floor to Chief McClure who introduced Sgts. Higgins and Mellow with the GCPD Gang Task force. Whereupon a presentation on the prevalence of gangs in Gwinnett County was conducted.

5. Discussion for upcoming meeting locations

There was a discussion amongst the board as to upcoming meeting locations. Ms. Woodward suggested public meetings be held in each of the four county commission districts. *There was a brief side discussion as to whether we

would use the newly proposed commission districts or the “old” ones. It was agreed to use the commission districts as they were drawn when the board was formed. Mr. Cohen offered Sugar Hill as a location for a meeting in District 1. Ms. Woodward requested a location in Snellville for one meeting. Ms. Murdock suggested a location within Dacula for District 3. Ms. McMullin suggested Lilburn Activity building or Mountain Park Activity building as possible locations in District 2. Ms. Vincent recommended hosting a meeting at Gwinnett Tech. It was agreed that Sugar Hill may be a location of the April 2022 meeting, venue to be determined.

6. Goals for 2022 discussion

Board goals for 2022 was then discussed by way of each board member offering a suggestion for 2022 goals. Ms. Woodward expressed a goal of having more accountability and transparency to the public regarding officer involved shootings. She also wanted to create or recommend an easier way for citizens to report/file complaints. Mr. Williams’ is more solutions that address the core of many of the crimes that seem to occur throughout the county. Mr. Cohen’s goal was to promote/increase community policing. Ms. Lagrone’s goal is for the board to provide more community education. Mr. Cole’s goals were for the board to have 3 or 4 offsite meetings this year and to review/recommend more non-emergency responders or teams to respond who may not be sworn law enforcement. Ms. McMullin’s goal was for the board to have at least one firm recommendation to submit to the Board of Commissioners every month. Mr. Cohen read Mr. Mahdavi’s goal in his absence, which was a goal of further mending police/citizen relationships.

7. Public Comment

An opportunity for public comment was held, with no such comments offered.

8. Adjournment

Final end time: 7:35 pm

{Action: Approved; Motion: McMullin; Second: Murdock}