

**CITY OF FERGUSON, MISSOURI  
CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD  
OPEN MEETING MINUTES  
March 1, 2021**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Eugene Franks, Board President, called the meeting of the CRB to order at 6:38pm. The meeting was held at the Ferguson Community Center after coming out of closed session. Due to City restrictions on in-person meetings, the public could attend via Zoom.

**ROLL CALL**

Eugene Franks, Chair	Present	William Bryant	Excused
Tiffany Bush, Vice Chair	Present	Terry Burton	Present
Patrick Chandler	6:48m	Ricky George	Present
Gerry Noll	Present	Brenda Young	Present

A quorum was declared. Also present was Consent Decree Coordinator Nicole Barton, and Councilwoman Toni Burrow (via Zoom).

**MINUTES**

The board reviewed the open meeting minutes from February 1, 2021. Motion to approve, as amended, made by Ms. Bush, seconded by Mr. Burton. Unanimous vote taken in favor, 6-0. **MOTION PASSED.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

There were no comments from the public.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Mr. Burton attended police hiring panels on February 4 and March 1. Mr. Franks will be attending panels on March 4.

Chief Armstrong reported in an earlier meeting that a minimum of 16 complaints had been found to have been filed from 2015-2018. Working backwards from 2018, 8 of those complaints will be reviewed by the end of March in order to gather statistics from them.

The board's review of complaint **20-003** was completed in closed session and the board is waiting on access to the disciplinary/training files before completing the process for that complaint.

Mr. Franks reported that one last provision of the Memorandum of Understanding between the FCRB and the FPD needs to be finished, and that the final draft would be available to the board for its review at the April meeting.

Due to scheduling conflicts, the dates for the series of planned town halls were changed. Mr. Noll asked if the Zoom links previously provided could be used for these rescheduled town halls. Ms. Barton will check on that.

- Monday, April 12, 6:00-7:30pm - a consolidation of the 5 originally-planned meetings.
- TBD at April meeting - the NACOLE training video on Civilian Oversight 101.
- TBD at April meeting - a presentation, with discussion, using the FCRB 2020 Annual Report as the basis.

The board reviewed an updated final draft of the Post Complaint Survey. A motion was made by Ms. Young, seconded by Mr. Noll, to approve the survey. Unanimous vote taken in favor, 7-0. **MOTION PASSED.**

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Mr. Franks led a discussion reviewing proposed updates to the FCRB Policies and Procedures document. An updated draft will be sent out by Mr. Franks for approval at April's meeting.

- Tabled 4(a) ("...a majority vote of 5 members is needed...") until finding out how that is written in the by-laws
- Tabled 5(a) and (c). Mr. Noll will send Mr. Franks how this process was done previously with Mary Simmons.

The board reviewed the final draft of the 2020 Annual Report. Mr. Noll stated that there were a few pieces of data still needed to complete the report but that it would be ready for publication by mid-March. Mr. Chandler requested that moving forward we look at tracking non-binary demographic characteristics of complainants and officers. Motion made by Ms. Young, seconded by Mr. George, to approve publication of the annual report when all the data is in. Unanimous vote taken in favor, 7-0. **MOTION PASSED.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Burton reported on the Bias Free Policing training that he attended as the FCRB representative.

- 5 trainers from the Suffolk County, NY police department conducted the week-long training
- 9 FPD officers went through the entire training
- He attended a 1-day training session which included community members. It was attended by 15 civilians and 5 police officers.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

The board scheduled the next closed meeting for Monday, March 15, from 5:30-8:00pm at the Ferguson Community Center.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Having no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Mr. Chandler, seconded by Mr. Burton, to adjourn at 7:55 p.m.

The next open meeting is April 5, 2021, at 6:30pm

ATTEST:

Gerry Noll  
Gerry Noll, Board Secretary

Eugene Franks  
Eugene Franks, Board Chair