

**Mental Health Response Advisory Committee (MHRAC)
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 19, 2016**

Facilitators: Danny Whatley and Rick Miera
Scribe: Karen Pool

Meeting called to order, quorum was met.

First time attendees introduced themselves.

Motion by Paula Burton to approve the December meeting minutes with the following amendments/corrections:

Commander Hansen spoke about the letter DRNM submitted to Judge Brack for the December 3, 2015 status hearing. He objected to one point: the statement that MHRAC has not been involved in discussions about how the Department's development of strategies to address behavioral health issues because MHRAC has been involved in CIT Training.

David Ley responded that there were some issues with the proposal to merge 911 calls with the NMCAL line, that MHRAC should be in on the front end and that MHRAC could be involved in the overall APD management of behavioral health. Jeremy Jaramillo responded that MHRAC has been involved in the CIT training.

Jim Ogle spoke about Sam Cochran's upcoming visit in February. Cochran developed the Memphis Model CIT system. He now is a national speaker who talks not only about training, but a comprehensive community partnership.

Second to motion by Robert Salazar
Minutes approved as amended.

REPORT FROM APD: Lt. Glenn St. Onge

APD/CIT is using data to make a difference.

Albuquerque Police Department CIT, Lt. Glenn St. Onge, was selected to present at the International CIT Conference in Chicago in April on Data collection and how it impacts and improves CIT response.

REPORT FROM APD Cont.

Lt. St. Onge also provided a handout (on file) overview article on a Mobile Crisis Intervention Team in Canada.

Last month there was only one use of force which was a bean bag and tazing. There were 135 transports to hospital.

Dr. Peter Wineguard gave a PowerPoint overview of the Data Presentation working draft.

Q&A

Q: Will this track repeat customers and what hospitals are used?

A: Yes

Q: Will this track homelessness?

A: Yes

Rio Rancho has a small CIU and has been partnering with BCSO on collecting data.

Q: Who is transporting and where are funds going to? Fire? Ambulance? APD?

Erika Wilson reviewed 911 Dispatch data, protocol and training for dispatchers. Forward planning to include CIU and other service provider organizations.

Concerns were expressed about all great efforts that are not connected to one another.

A request was made for an Organizational Chart for the APD Chain of Command. Deputy Chief Garcia will supply the chart.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Training Committee: Paula Burton, David Ley, Co-Chair

Next meeting is Monday, January 25, at 10 am. Major Tyler is on the agenda.

The committee requested the following:

- Curriculum training plan for the Police Academy as it relates to behavioral health
- Overall department training as relates to behavioral health

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS continued

Resource Committee: Mike Robertson, Chair

Yvette Garcia from COAST and Sgt. Fricke with the NE Area Command attended. Questions put to them included:

- What resources are available
- What resources can we draw from
- What can APD use

Preference would be to provide information on-line.

Next meeting will cover what the website would look like what information would be included. Suggestion was made to add links to website to direct to other resources.

Currently most resources are only available Monday through Friday 9-5. After hours and weekends is where there is a real lack of resources that can be easily accessed.

State funding cuts will impact the Crisis line and MN Resources Access line. Can we define hot-spots and hot time frames to review hours when resources are available and when they are most needed.

Each Committee is currently making a report with cover letter to go to the City and to the Chief of Police. Reports are about done, where do we go now? Rick suggested referring to the DOJ Guidelines.

MHRAC can be advocates for their own work. We should develop an advocacy strategy to get recommendations implemented. Suggestion to tie all training pieces together.

MHRAC and APD have had a great working relationship (with both peers and professionals) and do not want to lose this or have relationships become adversarial.

The DOJ's most important policy is the Use of Force Policy. Once this is finalized, training can move forward.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Co chairs advised that the By-Laws call for a six month rotation of chairpersons. Chair could be re-elected and continue to serve. Think about this for the next meeting.

OPEN DISCUSSION continued

Discussion regarding an Executive Committee. Currently Board Co-Chairs, Chairs of individual subcommittees can meet between meetings to set agendas and speaking guests, etc. Meetings with the City and DOJ Monitor to bring information back to the larger group would not meet quorum.

Motion made by Dave Webster for Executive Sub Committee help MHRAC move forward.

Paula Burton amended the motion to include approval of being a spokesperson to speak on behalf of the MHRAC

Second to Motion made by Ken Gillman

Motion approved

Meeting informally adjourned

Next Meeting will be:

- Tuesday, February 16, 2016
- 5:00 p.m.
- @the Rock Noon Day