

Mental Health Response Advisory Committee (MHRAC)

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 19, 2015

Facilitated by Dr. Caroline Bonham & Anita Briscoe, APRN

Present at meeting: Caroline Bonham, Anita Briscoe, Glenn St. Onge, Paul Hansen, Matthew Tinney, Nils Rosenbaum, Ken Gilman, Nicole Duranceaux, Michael Robertson, Michele Franowsky, Betty Whiton, Robert Salazar, Paula Burton, Felicia Barnum, Susan Matsui, Jeremy Jaramillo, Jay Crowe, Danny Whatley, David Ley, and Nancy Koenigsberg.

1. Started with an important update, the website is almost online!
2. Discussion about the SOP being completed this week.
3. Lt. Glenn St. Onge then shared the stats of this month for use of force. 3rd month decline of use of force!
4. Ideas were shared about creating a group made up of CIU detectives and uniformed officers to develop a survey to see how the training is going and if they're using their techniques well.

Subcommittees

Training

Jeremy Jaramillo presented the group ideas to the committee and stated that the group would like to attend CIT training and if possible, do some ride alongs with APD. A recommendation from the group was to practice and do some online training in hopes of moving forward. They are currently doing evaluations of the program and are in hopes of longer term outcomes.

- Another CIT class is going on this week, by Friday should have full 40 hours so we should have fully trained CIU officers out on the field!
- Lt. Glenn St. Onge stated in Section 124, that the DOJ wanted us to be at 40%, we are 6 months ahead of schedule and will reassess numbers in June.

Information Exchange

Nancy Koenigsberg will again talk to the co-chairs in Portland about their multi-disciplinary team to find out what kind of information sharing practice they use. She will also provide the subcommittee with the disclosure of information section from the New Mexico adult and children's mental health laws. She will also provide a summary of the Health Information Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). These laws and information will guide the discussion to help the subcommittee develop a protocol on information sharing as directed by the settlement agreement.

Resources

Michael Robertson stated that there needs to be some kind of focus to where resources can be readily available to APD when they come into contact with a client that needs those resources, and for the community.

By-Law Conversation

1. There was a recommendation that we add “Behavioral” to the “Mental Health Response Advisory Committee” in the first paragraph of article 2 tasks.
2. First discussion: Should the public have input on minutes and what’s going on in these meetings?
3. Second discussion: Will APD be polling in on decisions or not?
4. Third discussion: Whether there should be Veteran Representation in the committee.
5. Fourth discussion: “Back Up” committee members would be available in case of a committee member cannot attend meeting.
6. The advance notice of establishing meetings and publishing agendas is to be at least 5-3 days of reasonable notice.
7. Fifth discussion: Are chairs to serve for 2 years? 6 months? And are they to speak to the public about the MHRAC meetings?
8. Using names and credentials in minutes are still up for discussion.
9. Sixth discussion: Anita polled the committee to see if they wanted to keep her as chair. A decision has not been made yet, but nine people raised their hands.

Article 4 Quorum, gave us:

- Quorum has to be at least $\frac{1}{2}$ of the number of the committee, plus one.
- Quorum affects subcommittee because no subcommittee could be greater than committee.
- Quorum for the community is 9, but the committee is 17.

First motion: All sworn officers together will have one vote. We will proceed with Quorum!

Decision points:

- Officers get one poll.
- 5 days advanced notice for meetings.
- Polled to extend meeting 15 minutes for tonight.
- Weren’t going to agree tonight who’s going to be speaking to the media for MHRAC.

Caroline Bonham stated she is withdrawing as co-chair. She closed out the meeting, but polling needs to continue on to the next meeting.

Next meeting:

- Tuesday, June 16, 2015
- 2nd & Prospect
- 5:00p.m.-7:00p.m.
- @ The Rock Noon Day