



# Board of Peace Officer Standards and Training

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## Ensuring Police Excellence and Improving Community Relations Advisory Council

March 6, 2024

9:00 a.m.

*This was a hybrid meeting held at the Spruce Tree Building, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room 20, 1600 University Ave, St. Paul, MN 55104*

### Members Present:

Chair Eric Won  
Anne Haines Holy Eagle  
Biiftuu Adam  
Carl Crawford  
Cathy Spann  
Erik Misselt  
Kaohly Her  
Nikki Engel  
Paul Novotny  
Shane Myre  
Sue Abderholden

### Members Absent:

Andrew Mathews  
Dave Titus  
Julio Zelaya  
Sean Deringer  
Terry Stier

### Staff Present:

Mike Monsrud  
Shari Bartness

**Call to Order:** Chair Won called the meeting to order on March 6, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

Director Misselt thanked Representative Novotny for supporting legislation to change the EPEICR Council name to the Public Safety Advisory Council.

**Approval of the Agenda:** Chair Won asked for a motion to approve the agenda.

- **Motion:** Director Misselt made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Myre seconded the motion. The motion was approved via unanimous voice vote.

**Approval of the November 13, 2023 Minutes:** Chair Won asked if everyone had a chance to review the minutes and asked if there were any edits needed.

- **Motion:** Director Misselt made a motion to approve the November 13, 2023 meeting minutes. Ms. Abderholden seconded the motion. The motion was approved via unanimous voice vote.

**Report Out from Juvenile DNA Work Group (Discussion):** Mr. Crawford spoke about not being able to get a hold of the group who brought forth this issue after multiple attempts. The work group is moving forward with drafting language for a potential change for training officers on juvenile DNA collection. Research continues to be done. Mr. Myre requested to be invited to the next work group meeting.

**Public Listening Sessions for 2024 (Discussion):** Chair Won spoke about the first listening session in Duluth. The session was intended to build connections between law enforcement and the community.

Discussion Points for Next Listening Session:

- Need to improve the advertising and get the word out early.
  - Start the listening session with guidelines of what the session is for.
  - Send a report out after the listening session.
  - Need a communication strategy.
  - More listening, less talking.
  - Continue to nurture relationships between community and law enforcement.
  - Share best practices.
  - Provide food.
- **Reschedule of Hennepin County Session:** The Council decided to have the next listening session in the evening on a Wednesday in May of 2024 to allow time to get the session announced.
  - **Other Sites for 2024:** TBD.

Mr. Crawford mentioned the Citizen Review Board from Duluth would like to meet again.

Discussion ensued on speaking with other committees and boards.

- **Motion:** Ms. Engel made a motion to form a subcommittee. The subcommittee will be a fact-finding committee to get more information on best practices and policies. Ms. Abderholden seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The Council named the new subcommittee the "Citizen Review Board Subcommittee." The meetings will fall under the Open Meeting Law. The following people will be on the subcommittee:

- Chair Nikki Engel
- Representative Kaohly Her
- Eric Won
- Carl Crawford
- Shane Myre

**Adjournment:** Chair Won asked for a motion to adjourn at 10:03 a.m.

- **Motion:** Mr. Crawford made a motion to adjourn.