

LOCATION: *City Hall – Room 303*

MEMBERS Present:

x	Joan McNamara (pending training)	x	Katherine Eagle	x	Renee Van Nett
x	Patricia Behning Oakes	x	Gabriel Green	X	Bob Grytdahl - Staff
x	Doug Bowen-Bailey	X	Blair Powless		

**Absent with Notice:**

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**Liaisons to DPD:** Lt. Jeff Kazel

*Guests:* Kathleen Spencer, Dan Pearson, Michael Niemi, Scot Bol, Richard Harbaugh, Henry Banks, Tom Maida

**Call to Order:** President Van Nett called meeting to order at 5:16 pm.

**Roll Call:** The board members did introductions and welcome our new member, Joan McNamara.

**Minutes:** Motion: To approve Nov 2013 minutes with corrections. MSP (Powless/Eagle)

**Training:** Discussed process for providing training so that Joan can go through the training and get sworn in. Deputy Chief Roeser will send written information to Joan McNamara and she can look through and figure out what more is needed. Will work to have all of the topics addressed, but can figure out how much time will need to be spent on them based on the information needed by a new member.

**Public Comment:**

- Scot Bol shared his shock about the verdict in the Jouppi trial.
- Henry Banks suggested a need to review MN laws about 5<sup>th</sup> degree assaults and who it protects because it gives police a large degree of latitude. Henry suggested that if community members are concerned about the verdict they may need approach the legislature for a change.
- President Van Nett shared that Native Alliance, Red Lake Urban office are going to address this. JDAI has an event coming up on 12/28 that will launch a campaign about this.
- There was some discussion about the possibility that the Federal Department of Justice could have interest in this case.
- Kathleen Spencer shared a letter that they received from Chief Ramsay about having fires at CJM that DPD is deferring to the Duluth Fire Department about making and enforcing rules.
- Dan shared his perspective that there has been some disparate treatment of Occupy compared to other groups. For example, the police said that Occupy couldn't have amplified sound at the MN Power Plaza, while they saw the Farmer's Market using amplified sound without a special permit. However, the perspective shared at this point was that as individuals, they felt that there were other areas for their group to focus on rather than filing a complaint with the Duluth Police Department.
- President Van Nett thanked all of the community members for sharing their perspectives.

**Committee Reports**

*Public Relations Committee*

- Blair developed a couple of documents for consideration to put on the web site. Joan, Patty, and Blair will work on refining the document with information about the overall CRB to bring back for a final vote next month.

Approved: 1/28/2014

- Blair will connect with Lt. Kazel on the process for filing a complaint to make sure we have correct information for the department. Will check with some organizations.

#### *Strategic Planning Committee*

- Developing protocol for receiving & reviewing complaints

Lt. Kazel reported that the Deputy City Attorney reported that she needs to do more research before responding.

#### *Executive Committee*

- By-Laws: We discussed some changes to the By-Laws as proposed, including having the Annual Meeting take place in December, rather than January.
- Be it moved to adopt the by-laws as amended. (Bowen-Bailey/Eagle.) MSP (See separate attachment for by-laws.)

#### **Correspondence:**

- None

#### **Report from DPD liaisons**

- Lt. Jeff Kazel reported that the DPD is very disappointed in the verdict that came out in the Jouppi trial. Will continue to work on the case.
- A reminder that Board members are encouraged to do a ride-along. The contact for setting this up is: Cha Vang, [cvang@duluthmn.gov](mailto:cvang@duluthmn.gov)
- Members are also encouraged to take part in the Citizen Police Academy (CPA). There is an application on the web site (and [http://www.duluthmn.gov/police/citizen\\_academy.cfm](http://www.duluthmn.gov/police/citizen_academy.cfm)) Meetings are held on Wednesday from 6-9 pm for 11 weeks. Lt. Kazel will let us know when the CPA starts.

#### **Other Business**

- Be it moved to recommend that Joan McNamara present herself to be sworn in as an official member of the DCRB. (Bowen-Bailey/Green MSP)
- *Annual City Report:* Bob, Rene, and Blair will work on this for next time.
- *Election of New Officers:*
  - *Slate of Nominees*
    - *President – Blair Powless*
    - *Vice-President – Katherine Eagle*
    - *Recording Secretary – Doug Bowen-Bailey*
- *Be it moved for a unanimous ballot. MSP*

#### **NEXT CITIZEN REVIEW BOARD MEETING:**

Tuesday, January 28, 2013 - Community Action Duluth - 2424 W 5th St. Suite 102, Duluth, MN 55806  
(The Strategic Planning Committee will meet with CAD staff to plan this meeting.)