

LOCATION: *Duluth City Hall – 411 West First Street – Room 303*

MEMBERS Present:

X	Joan McNamara				
	Patricia Behning Oakes	X	Renee Van Nett		Vacant - Staff
X	Doug Bowen-Bailey	X	Archie Davis		

**Absent with Notice:** Patricia Behning Oakes

**Absent without Notice:**

**Liaisons to DPD:** DC Nick Lukovsky, DC Laura Marquardt

*Guests:* Kathleen Spencer, John Barrett, Sam Madsen, Mary Faulkner, T. Gordon Anderson

**Call to Order:** President Bowen-Bailey called meeting to order at 4:55 PM.

**Minutes:** Approval of April minutes MSP Davis

**SAKI Presentation:** Mary Faulkner – Site coordinator; Sam Madsen, Victim Advocate, - Employees of PAVSA; John Barrett, investigator are working as a collaboration between PAVSA and DPD for 3 years to work through old Sexual Assault kits funded by grant. They contact sexual assault victims whose kits have not been tested: The victims have the option to close the case and get support from PAVSA or can re-open investigation. Looking for feedback from victims who kits belong to and working to improve the process and make it smoother and more consistent in the future. Can only send 10 kits to State Lab. Sent batch of 10 in January and then couldn't send another until to April. Process is to be as victim-centered. Haven't sent a case yet to county attorney for prosecution yet. Taking it slow to be respectful to victims as possible. Trying to be as transparent as possible. Backlog of 500 kits reach back to 1993. Duluth is the smallest site to get this kind of funding. Duluth had the largest backlog in the State of Minnesota when there was an audit. Also, building into this a general protocol review for handling sexual assault cases and the SCAN unit. Also doing program evaluation of PAVSA and SANE collection process. All kits that are current are tested in Bemidji and historical kits go to St. Paul (and that is what is included in the batch of 10.) There is a focus on Native American victims because that was identified as an underserved population in 2007 audit. Sam and Mary have been appreciative of the amount of transparency that DPD has provided. Mary will send a summary from the BCA about this process. They are looking at alternatives for helping to process the kits. Citizens can also watch for legislation in next session to help support a faster testing process through the BCA.

**Police Liaison Report:** Deputy Chief Marquardt provided list of complaints and an opportunity for board members to ask questions. There was a mass shooting training at airport; 10 recruits going well; the department is down 13 in staffing, so the ten new officers will mean they are still short 3 officers. Mike Tusken was promoted to Chief. Bob Sheehan is promoted to Lt., but the ten Lts are figuring out how to divide up the responsibilities among the command staff. Maya Carroll promoted to Record Support Supervisor. Nick Lukovsky is now the Patrol Deputy Chief. Laura is Administrative/Investigative Deputy Chief.

Law Enforcement Memorial week happened this past month and DPD sent three officers to St. Paul to take part. Jeff Kazel working with partners to set up a needle pick-up program – it will be initiated with a city park clean-up. Needle Exchange is one of the partners involved in the clean-up program.

Narcan program that started about a month ago has registered its first save. An officer successfully used Narcan to reverse an overdose. Right now, we are averaging about 2-4 overdoses from heroin a week.

Recruitment workshop was last Thursday. Had about 20 people attend, not as diverse as had been hoped. Will try to do it next year a little earlier, and both the CRB and the DPD will work to have a more diverse attendance at the workshop.

Lt. Lukovsky, after being contacted by Doug Bowen-Bailey, reached out to Ron Brochu who said he wanted to be contacted in June after his schedule slowed down.

**Public Comment:** T. Gordon Anderson shared his experiences and perspectives with the board. Laura Marquardt set up a time to meet with him to get more specifics about his complaints to be able to look into what he shared with the board.

**Board member Reports:** No report.

**Executive Committee:** No Report

**Presentation Committee:** No Report

**Policy Review Committee:** No report.

**Correspondence:** None

**Announcements:** None

Adjourned: 5:35 pm

**Next Citizen Review Board Meeting:** Wednesday, June 22 2016 (We have room 106A reserved at City Hall, but we may move to a community setting.)