

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPARTMENT
ADVISORY BOARD

April 19, 2024

An in-person meeting of the Marquette University Police Department (MUPD) Advisory Board was called to order on Friday, April 19, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. at MUPD Headquarters. Due and timely notice of the meeting, including an agenda, were provided by email to each member of the Board in advance of the meeting. Notice of the meeting was also posted on the MUPD Advisory Board website. The meeting was open to the public and information about the meeting was available to anyone who requested it.

Roll Call. Board members attending the meeting were Michael O’Hear, Chair of the Board and Professor, Marquette University Law School; Dr. Meghan Stroshine, Vice Chair of the Board and Associate Professor in Social & Cultural Sciences, Klingler College of Arts and Sciences; and Chris Bartolone, Assistant Director for Facilities Services. Absent were Lindsey St. Arnold Bell, Executive Director of Near West Side Partners, and Abbie Moravec, Marquette University Student Government (MUSG) President. Non-Board Members attending the meeting included Edith Hudson, MUPD Chief; Jeff Kranz, Assistant Chief of MUPD; James Hensley, MUPD Lieutenant; Carrie Peters, MUPD Data Analytics Specialist; Kevin Conway, Associate Director of University Communication; and Lauren Orton, Assistant General Counsel (as legal counsel to the Board).

Minutes. Minutes from the Board’s meeting of February 16, 2023, were approved unanimously.

Updates on Departmental Activities, Initiatives and Crime Statistics.

1. **Crime Statistics/Trends:** Carrie Peters, Data Analytics Specialist, reported on the crime statistics. Crime seems to be trending down overall, in both the city and the MUPD patrol zone. Assistant Chief Kranz described two different incidents in which mobile cameras and the Dispatch team’s attention to detail were particularly helpful in spotting the activity.
2. **Community Engagement:**
 - **Coffee with a Cop** is expanding to the Marquette Childcare center as “Juice with a Cop” will debut the Childcare Center in late May or early June.
 - **Behavioral Health Unit.** Calls for service have increased 30% in the last year, but the unit has leveraged its contacts and relationships across the state to provide supportive measures to the community.
 - **End of Academic Year Gathering for students.** Date of the event has been moved to coincide with exam week to, hopefully, increase attendance and participation. Event will be held outside of the Alumni Memorial Union and snacks will be provided to students.
3. **Body Cams** have been successfully implemented. However, it is very time-consuming to respond to requests for footage from the media or members of the public because of all of the redacting that must be done, e.g., for privacy purposes. Some footage is used for MUPD training purposes. MUPD command staff can turn on bodycams remotely and view them from MUPD headquarters. Command staff can also see where all the bodycams are in the patrol zone (like an overhead map).
4. **Recognitions:** At the Wisconsin Chiefs of Police Annual Conference, the Department was officially recognized for its accreditation, which was effective Fall 2023. Additionally, Chief Hudson was

recognized for her leadership (received a leadership award) as was Carrie Peters (received the 2023 unsung hero award)

5. Republican National Convention: MUPD provided the Board with updates on RNC planning. MUPD staff assignments and scheduling are complete. The Department is looking for desk personnel from a few other colleges for additional support. MUPD along with officers from other departments are receiving additional training.
6. Chief's Update. On March 28, 2024, Governor Evers signed a bill into law allowing MUPD to be reimbursed for certain costs related to recertification of police officers. The measure also increased the reimbursement amount police departments can receive.
7. Near West Side Partners ("NWSP"). Assistant Chief Kranz, as a co-chair of the Safety Committee, reported that NWSP is getting a safety alert system, like the system downtown Milwaukee has. It is an informal way for different entities to communicate with each other regarding incidents and activity in their area. NWSP approved this in January and is currently in a test-phase.
8. Staffing: There is one police officer vacancy, and one communications officer vacancy, will work with HR to fill these. There is one police aide moving into a public safety officer role so there will be two police aide vacancies.
9. Patrol Zone Changes will become effective June 1, 2024.
10. Citizen Complaints. Four complaints (filed in 2023) have been adjudicated and there is currently one pending.

Next Meeting. The Board's next meeting will be in the Fall 2024 Semester and information will be sent out regarding that meeting.

Adjournment. The Chair concluded the meeting and adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael O'Hear
Chair, MUPD Advisory Board

Marquette University Police Department January 1 through March 31, 2022/2023/2024						
Crimes Reported:	2022		2023		2024	
	MPD	MUPD	MPD	MUPD	MPD	MUPD
<i>Personal Crimes</i>						
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	4	5	4	5	1	3
Theft from Person	0	1	0	0	0	0
Assault/Battery	4	21	5	27	0	28
Sexual Assault/Rape	0	1	0	3	0	4
Total:	8	28	9	35	1	35
	36		44		36	
<i>Property Crimes</i>						
Burglary	0	3	0	23	1	8
Thefts (inc. retail)	0	71	0	87	0	65
Motor Vehicle Thefts	8	35	3	18	1	14
Arson	1	0	0	0	0	1
Total:	9	109	3	128	2	88
	118		131		90	