

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

September 18, 2020

A virtual meeting (Microsoft Teams) of the Marquette University Police Department (MUPD) Advisory Board was called to order on Friday, September 18, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. Due and timely notice of the meeting, an agenda and draft minutes from the previous meeting 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 login information for the Microsoft Teams 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 in the Law School; Dr. Meghan Stroshine, Vice Chair of the Board and Associate Professor in Social & Cultural Sciences, Klingler College of Arts and Sciences; Keith Stanley, Executive Director of Avenues West and Near West Side Partners; Sara Manjee, President of Marquette University Student Government (MUSG); and Jenna Goeb, Prospect Research Analyst in University Advancement. Non-Board Members present at the meeting included Edith Hudson, MUPD Chief; Jeff Kranz, Assistant MUPD Chief; Katie Berigan, MUPD Captain; Ruth Peterson, MUPD Captain; Josiah Williams, MUPD Sergeant; Tom Wichgers, MUPD Officer; Christin Berges, MUPD Data Analytics Specialist; Kevin Conway, Associate Director of University Communication; and Lauren Orton, Assistant General Counsel (as legal counsel to the Board).

Update on Departmental Activities.

Update from Department on Crime Trends and Departmental Activities, Including MUPD Role in COVID-19 Recovery Plan and Changes to LIMO program

a. COVID

i. MUPD’s internal response

No work from home option for MUPD officers and so an operational document was created to guide MUPD during this pandemic

a. Changes to department procedures, e.g.:

- i. Roll call: officers were to come in dressed for duty, go right from their personal vehicle to MUPD vehicle and roll call was taken that way
- ii. Screening process for symptoms was implemented
- iii. New process for cleaning/sanitizing vehicles
- iv. PPE: preserving N-95 masks
- v. Patrolling: proactive policing has been scaled back with new focus on safety; taking an educational approach to safety and security with the community
- vi. Public safety: socially distanced and PPE
- vii. SSOs: reporting directly to their residence hall rather than reporting to the station
- viii. Lobby was shut down
- ix. Payroll: stopped physical “punching” in and out
- x. Student conveyances to quarantine/isolation space: had to develop processes to move those students

- xi. Assisting with Schroeder Hall quarantine
- ii. Campus Changes
 - LIMO Service
 - a. Summer: one ride at a time; decreased volume/demand allowed us to do that
 - b. Fall semester: two RiteWay buses being used on fixed bus route (every East-West street on campus every ten minutes)
 - c. To supplement door-to-door service, foot patrol service reimplemented (two students equipped with radio to contact MUPD when needed); campus safety staff meets students to walk them to their destination; service hasn't been used much yet, but that is expected to change
 - d. Constantly looking for reasonable improvements in this service
 - b. Personnel: Hired three officers since last meeting
 - c. Eagle Eye App
 - i. 4,457 subscribes as of 9/18/2020
 - ii. Adding emergency messaging and severe weather messaging through the app; hoping to launch this in early October
 - iii. Working with vendor to explore LIMO tracking app: program a button within Eagle Eye to direct the user to the LIMO tracking app
 - d. Active Shooter and Self Defense
 - i. Requests briefly dropped this spring when students left campus
 - ii. Finding creative ways to deliver this content to students, faculty, and staff
 - a. Short general safety videos on MUPD's website and hopefully on the Eagle Eye App
 - b. Combine these videos into a Teams presentation
 - c. In-person meetings: limited number of participants in large space on campus
 - e. Nattie: enjoying retirement; to keep up with Nattie in retirement check out the Citizen Nattie Instagram page
 - f. Clery Update
 - i. Virtual Training (representatives from MUPD, Title IX, OMC, Athletics, OGC)
 - ii. Formed a committee of representatives from MUPD, Title IX, and OGC to review our current Annual Security Report (ASR) to ensure it aligns with best practices
 - g. Student Town Hall on Racial Injustice and Police Reform: productive conversation and more of these conversations anticipated going forward
 - h. Data and Analytics: hired a Data and Analytics Specialist, who will be instrumental in pulling data, identifying issues, and benchmarking data
 - i. Crime Trends/Summary
 - i. Increase in property crime (32 burglaries), domestic violence and child abuse
 - ii. Since August
 - i. 11 robberies (up from 2019)
 - ii. 4 thefts from persons (same as 2019)
 - iii. 28 assault and battery (same as 2019)
 - iii. Because of COVID-19 and the need to de-densify/social distance, nonviolent offenders have not been held but released with a later court date, which resulted in a repeat offender on campus

Public Comments. None.

Other Business. None.

Selection of Next Meeting Date. The next Board Meeting will be announced in the near future.

Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

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