

Citizen Complaint Authority
Board Meeting Minutes
March 1, 2021

Attendees Present

CCA Board

Mark Childers, Chair
Timothy Barr, Jr., Board Member
George Pye, Vice Chair
Tracey Johnson, Board Member
Luz Elena Schemmel, Board Member
Phyllis Slusher, Board Member
Wanda Spivey, Board Member

Staff

Gabriel Davis, CCA Director
Dena Brown, CCA Division Manager (Chief Investigator)
Jonathan Batista, CCA Investigator
Ike Ekeke, CCA Investigator
Morgan Givens, CCA Investigator
Jessalyn Goodman, CCA Investigator
Michelle Bonner, CCA Sr. Administrative Specialist
Douglas Snider, Captain, CPD's Internal Investigation Section
Carolyn Glosby, Assistant City Solicitor
Ashley Pannell, Assistant City Solicitor
Jason Cooper, Division Manager (Criminal Justice Initiatives), City Manager's Office

Chair Childers called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

Minutes from Previous Meeting

Vice Chair Pye moved and Member Barr seconded a motion to accept minutes from the meeting held on February 1, 2021, as written. (Agree – 7 Oppose – 0 Abstain – 0) **Motion passed.**

Director's Report

Director Davis presented the Director's Report to the board, including remarks regarding CCA's anticipated budget submission for Fiscal Year 22/23.

The Board was presented with 5 new fully vetted CCA investigation reports. In total, the reports involved 9 officers with 16 allegations with the dispositions of 13 exonerated and 3 not sustained.

Guest Speaker

Scott Knox, Esq. (former CCA Board Member) was present and spoke about his experiences with CCA as a board member.

Public Comment

Iris Roley, Cincinnati Black United Front (CBUF) thanked Scott Knox for his previous service to the CCA Board; and elaborated about the CBUF's concerns about CCA working at it greatest capacity (specifically regarding CCA's ability to complete timely investigations) on behalf of the citizens. Mrs. Roley also encourage everyone to read Article 28.

Old Business

None

New Business

1. **CCA Case Number** 18135: Vice Chair Pye moved and Member Schemmel seconded a motion to accept CCA's recommended findings. (Agree – 7 Oppose – 0 Abstain – 0) **Motion Passed.**

2. **CCA Case Number** 18167: Vice Chair Pye moved and Member Slusher seconded a motion to accept CCA's recommended findings. (Agree – 7 Oppose – 0 Abstain – 0) **Motion Passed.**

3. **CCA Case Number** 20048: Vice Chair Pye moved and Member Barr seconded a motion to accept CCA's recommended findings. (Agree – 7 Oppose – 0 Abstain – 0) **Motion Passed.**

CCA case numbers 18097 and 19151 were read and reviewed by the board. CCA will present similar cases to the board on April 5, 2021 and present a consolidated report (including 18097 and 19151) along with recommendations for the board's approval.

CCA case numbers 18135, 18167, and 20048 will be forwarded to the City Manager for review and final disposition.

Announcements

Chair Childers presented a draft resolution regarding CCA's Fiscal Year 2022 Operating Budget Request to the board.

Vice Chair Pye moved and Member Slusher seconded a motion to approve the resolution, as presented, which expressed support for CCA's budget submission to the City of Cincinnati's Budget and Finance Committee for FY2022. (Agree – 7 Oppose – 0 Abstain – 0) **Motion Passed.**

Closing

Vice Chair Pye moved and Member Slusher seconded a motion to adjourn the Board meeting. (Agree – 7 Oppose – 0 Abstain – 0) **Motion Passed.** The meeting ended at 6:38 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on **Monday, April 5, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.**

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