

**POLICE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2008 5:30 P.M.  
FIRST FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Walter Earley  
Shelly Weil  
Joshua Bressler  
John Jackson  
Grace Maybee  
Annette Annechild  
Samuel Menard  
Joseph Ingram  
Jose Herrera

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Sinam Al-Khafaji  
Jimmy Weatherspoon

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Cathy Kozol  
Chief Anthony Strianese

**STAFF ABSENT:**

None

**GUEST OTHERS:**

Javaro Sims  
Tina Heysler

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Mr. Shelly Weil, at 5:35 p.m.

**2. INTRODUCTIONS:**

No introductions were made at this time.

**3. APPROVAL AND/OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:**

Mr. Herrera requested to add discussion regarding his research on possible goals for the Police Advisory Board.

Ms. Annechild requested to add discussion regarding the summer camp.

Mr. Jackson made a motion to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Ms. Annechild. Said motion passed unanimously.

**4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

Mr. Bressler referred to comments noted under Member Comments, Section 8. He asked the names listed be omitted from the minutes.

Mr. Herrera made a motion to approve the minutes as amended, seconded by Mr. Earley. Said motion passed unanimously.

**5. OLD BUSINESS:**

**A. Update on Mailings**

Board members discussed a mailing to be completed and sent to the Homeowners Associations.

**6. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Introduction of Major Joseph Milenkovic, Captain Tina Heysler and Captain Javaro Sims**

Chief Strianese introduced Captain Tina Heysler and Captain Javaro Sims who were both recently promoted.

Captain Heysler advised that she has been employed by the Police Department for twenty-one years working in different capacities including the Community Response and Detective Bureau.

Captain Sims advised that he has been employed by the Police Department for sixteen years. He has worked as a Road Patrol Officer, a Tag Team Officer, involved in Community Policing and in other programs within the Agency. He is now in charge of the Community Response Division.

**B. 2007 Annual Report**

Chief Strianese discussed the 2007 annual report. The annual report gave an overview of the Agency's accomplishments, information regarding the different programs at the police Department and annual statistics.

Mr. Herrera noted that there is a decrease in crime during the summer. He feels that the summer camp program contributed to the decrease.

**C. Mid-Year Update**

Chief Strianese stated that crime has decreased 3.2% and that they are on track to exceed the number of contacts made last year. Chief Strianese continued by discussing current open positions that will not be filled.

Chief Strianese read a note of appreciation to Ms. Maybee for her dedication and assistance with the summer camp program. This note will be mounted on a plaque and presented to her at a later date.

Mr. Weil suggested that the plaque be presented and read at a City Commission meeting.

#### **D. Summer Camp Report**

Ms. Annechild spoke of the success of the camp and the recent school supply give-a-way. They were able to service approximately 200 children. She spoke of combining efforts with other individuals that organize give-a-ways for back to school. Ms. Annechild added that she spoke to volunteers who are interested in grant writing for the Police Advisory Board.

Ms. Maybee stated that the experience was beneficial for her. The kids opened up to her and she made friends.

#### **E. Long Term and Short Term Goals**

Based on the research completed by Mr. Herrera, he feels that the Delray Beach Police Advisory Board has goals similar to other police agencies. He stated that additional goals can be added to the Bylaws.

Police Legal Advisor, Cathy Kozol, stated that the purpose of the Board is defined in the Ordinance.

Ms. Annechild feels that the Police Department is doing an excellent job. Therefore, the Police Advisory Board does not have a huge mission. The Board has only had to act as emissaries to the community because of the consistency of the Police Department.

Mr. Jackson also feels that the Police Department is doing an excellent job. He appreciates the fact that police officers often attend community events. He spoke of an incident where police officers were looking for someone with Alzheimer's. Mr. Jackson received a phone call from the police department when the individual was found.

Mr. Bressler suggested identifying and implementing specific initiatives to help reduce crime as a long term goal.

Ms. Maybee feels that everyone should participate in determining the goals for the Board.

Ms. Annechild noted that everyone has to be willing to participate in addition to being supportive.

Chief Strianese feels that determining ways to market the Police Department would be beneficial.

Mr. Bressler stated that the police officer profile featured in the Hometown Connection is a great marketing strategy.

Chief Strianese mentioned marketing methods through the use of MySpace and Facebook.

Mr. Herrera stated that he utilizes Facebook and it is successful. He also spoke about Craigslist as another option.

Ms. Annechild suggested programs similar to Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) as another marketing strategy.

Ms. Maybee suggested organizing a barbeque to bring the different neighborhoods together.

Mr. Weil feels that it would be beneficial to determine different advertising methods to showcase the good done by the Police Department.

**7. DISCUSSION CONCERNING NEXT MEETING AGENDA:**

Board members will discuss and identify specific initiatives to help reduce crime as a long term goal.

Marketing strategies will be discussed as well.

**8. COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS:**

Mr. Menard requested assistance in implementing ideas for the young individuals who are not involved in any extracurricular activities or after school program.

Chief Strianese advised that Captain Javaro Sims and Officer Daniela Quinn have spoken at churches previously about similar situations.

**9. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None.

**9. ADJOURNMENT:**

Mr. Jackson made a motion for adjournment, seconded by Ms. Annechild. Said motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business, Mr. Shelly Weil, Chairperson, declared the meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

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Venice Cobb, Executive Assistant/Board Liaison

The undersigned is the Secretary of the Police Advisory Board and the information provided herein is the minutes of the meeting of said Police Advisory Board of September 8, 2008, which minutes were formally approved and adopted by the Board on \_\_\_\_\_.

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Venice Cobb, Executive Assistant/Board Liaison

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