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## Police Transparency & Accountability Task Force

Daryl McGraw, Co-Chairperson



c/o Judiciary Committee, Room 2500 Legislative Office Building 300 Capitol Avenue Hartford, Ct 06106

## **Public Awareness Subcommittee**

Minutes Tuesday, August 31, 2021 1:00 p.m., via Zoom

Attendees: Daryl McGraw (Chair), Richard Frieder, Maggie Silver, Andrew Clark, Werner Oyanadel, Michelle Montano, Anne Li Kringen, Denise Drummond, Doris Maldonado, Steven Hernandez, Tamara Lanier, Makenzie Ozycz, Nana Amos, Henri Alphonse, Megan Baker, Carlton T. Mayers

- I. Convene meeting and welcome a. Chair McGraw convened the meeting at 1:06 pm.
- **II.** Approval of 7-27-21 meeting minutes *a. The minutes from* 7-27-21 *were tabled until the next meeting.*
- III. Update: Finding and Recommendations: Diversity in Law Enforcement
  - a. Andrew Clark updated that the recommendations were presented at the last full Task Force meeting. Members suggested a few amendments to the recommendations as presented. Dr. Kringen shared a presentation on the recommended amendments. The changes were to points one and three, community engagement in accreditation, and POST compliance. The amended document will be presented for a vote at the next full Task Force meeting.
  - b. Doris Maldonado commented on the lack of diversity in her subcommittee and hopes that this presentation will share with that issue. Andrew Clark responded that there are subcommittee members that aren't part of the full Task Force, so one subcommittee may not understand what the other subcommittee is doing. Also a document is being created to share all the recommendations across subcommittees.
- **IV.** Other Business
  - a. Dialogues/Forums: Andrew Clark updated that this would take the form of several different venues, including public. Richard Frieder commented that these dialogues would take the listening sessions a step further. Phase 1 would take place in the Fall,

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focusing on youth and law enforcement personnel, phase 2 would take place after the beginning of the year and would be broader, including different people. To conclude there would be a report of recommendations made following the dialogues.

- b. Presentation: CAT method, Carlton T. Mayers, II, Esq.
  - *i.* Followed by discussion on role of impacted communities in police transparency and accountability (i.e., Statewide Community Advisory Board, Civilian Review Boards, technology procurement)
  - *ii.* Carlton Mayers presented on Community Empowerment Centered Policing Reform, reimaging public safety through the CAT method.
  - iii. Doris Maldonado commented on disability not being synonymous with mental health, and to identify this as such to end stigma. Chair McGraw asked what the reluctance to community review boards are. Dr. Kringen responded the confusion on who is responsible to do it. Carlton responded that law enforcement and policing reform experts may not be working with the community because of a general belief that civilians cannot be experts.
- V. Schedule date and time of next meeting *a. September 28, 2021, 1pm via zoom.*
- VI. Adjournment
  - a. Chair McGraw adjourned the meeting at 2:24 pm