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Director's Report

Independent Police Review (IPR) Work Plan / Accomplishments

IPR Operations During COVID

Due to the ongoing public health crisis, all IPR staff are working remotely. Although the IPR office is closed to in-person visits, investigators are available to accept complaints online, by phone or by mail.

IPR Annual Report Released

The 2019 Annual Report received a redesign this year that focused on IPR's initiatives and challenges. IPR complaint data is regularly updated online and a new data dashboard released last month provides case summaries of the types of cases investigated and contacts received.

Outreach

CRC Appointments

On April 1st four new CRC members were appointed and one member, Andrea Chiller was reappointed via Zoom. The new members are:

Carol Johnson

Carol was named Director of Civil Rights at Oregon Labor and Industries in July of 2019, by Labor Commissioner Val Hoyle. Johnson is a licensed attorney with a passion for civil and human rights. Her career has spanned areas of administrative, civil and criminal law as a public defender, prosecutor, and as counsel for Arkansas' Labor Commissioner with the state's Workers' Compensation Commission. Johnson holds degrees from Texas Christian University and University of Arkansas. She received her law degree from the University of Arkansas' School of Law.

Taylor Snell

Taylor grew up in Reno, Nevada. He received his B.A. from the University of Nevada, Reno, in 2013. He went on to be an AmeriCorps volunteer at a food bank in north Seattle. His experience in AmeriCorps led him to pursue public interest law at Lewis & Clark in Portland. While obtaining his J.D., Taylor



worked in the Criminal Justice Reform Clinic and the Public Interest Law Project. After graduating, Taylor clerked for Judge Lininger in Clackamas County, and currently works as a public defender in Hillsboro. In his free time, Taylor can be found trail running, or eating deep fried vegan food.

Adam Green

Adam moved to Portland from Houston, Texas 11 years ago and has dedicated his career to nonprofit mission-driven work. After serving two consecutive successful terms on the Portland Police Review Board, Adam is excited to continue working on police accountability issues in this new capacity. Adam lives in SE Portland's Woodstock neighborhood with his husband Jason and their Italian greyhound Kobe.

Shaina Pomerantz

Shaina Pomerantz is a California native with deep familial roots in Portland. Her maternal grandparents, Charles and Johnnie Maxey settled in Portland, Oregon in the 1940s after fleeing harsh Jim Crow laws in East Texas. Through their guidance and love, Shaina was exposed to community activism and the importance of education, advocacy, and civic engagement. She followed her parents, both alumni of Pacific University, into the field of education where she taught violence prevention and conflict mediation, reading, writing, and humanities. She worked as an educator for over fifteen years and had the pleasure of teaching in the Bay Area and New York City. She has worked in the Texas, Louisiana, and Oregon State Legislatures and served as Chief of Staff to Representative Hernandez in the Oregon legislature. She is the COO for RACE TALKS: Uniting to Break the Chains of Racism, a monthly community dialogue forum founded by her mother, Donna Maxey, that teaches Portlanders how to discuss issues through the lens of race and racism. Shaina received a Bachelor's in Organizational Behavior from the University of San Francisco; Master's of Science in Organizational Leadership from Mercy College; and J.D. from Southern University Law Center in Baton Rouge, LA.

Shaina joined the CRC because there is grave mistrust between her community and law enforcement; she has family members who are in law enforcement and is committed to advocating for our most vulnerable and maligned communities.

Megan Bigelow (CRC alternate)

Megan is the Director of Customer Reliability Engineer at VMware, where she leads a team of engineers, writers and program managers whose goal is to ensure our customer's Kubernetes environments are reliable. Megan is also the founder of PDXWIT, a non-profit organization with over 7000 members in Portland, OR, with the purpose of encouraging those who identify as women, non-binary and underrepresented to join and stay in tech. Finally, Megan is the mother of two kids: Jette, 7 and Francis, 4. When not helping with homework, they are riding bikes, listening to synth pop and coloring.

CRC Recruitment

The next CRC recruitment has been launched and outreach is in full swing. The CRC application has been shared widely by IPR allies, is posted on the IPR website and found in CRC section of the website

in this [link](#). Current CRC members whose term are expiring are encouraged to reapply. The application deadline is Friday July 31st at 5:00 pm.

Community Outreach

IPR Senior Community Outreach Coordinator Irene Konev has attended and networked at many meetings and events on Zoom due to the COVID-19 quarantine. She has engaged with community via phone, email and held many meetings virtually. She engaged with staff of Latino Network, at South East Public Safety Meeting, Tribal Liaison meeting, Northwest Oregon Volunteer Administrators Association meetings, Oregon Native American Chamber online Networking Luncheon, Community Peace Collaborative meetings, Inter-faith Peace and Action Collaborative meetings and the Portland Committee on Community-Engaged Policing meetings. Konev also spoke on KBOO Radio about the CRC recruitment.

IPR Director Ross Caldwell and Deputy Director Dana Walton-Macaulay attended the Community Peace Collaborative and Inter-faith Peace and Action Collaborative meetings with IPR Investigator Vince Elmore. In some of these meetings Elmore served as a presenter. Elmore also attended the Black Men Coalition. Director Caldwell and Deputy Director Walton-Macaulay also attended the Portland Committee on Community-Engaged Policing meetings.

Awards

Konev also was nominated for the Phenomenal Woman Award given by the Oregon Women’s Health Network and received the City of Portland Wonder Woman Award.

IPR Caseload

Intake Investigations Pending at IPR			
	4/1/20	5/5/20	6/1/20
Number of cases	7	10	17
Median Case Age	29 days	12.5 days	14 days
Oldest Case Age	161 days	194 days	222 days

Current IPR Independent Investigations		
	Date Reported	Case Number
1	12/24/19	2019-B-0074
2	2/20/20	2020-B-0008
3	2/18/20	2020-C-0043
4	2/18/20	2020-C-0044
5	4/2/20	2020-C-0071

Police Bureau Caseload

* Median age includes the time the cases were pending at IPR before being referred to Internal Affairs.

	4/1/20	5/5/20	6/1/20
Cases under investigation at Internal Affairs	28 (21 Community, 7 Bureau)	24 (14 Community, 10 Bureau)	20 (14 Community, 6 Bureau)
Median Age	36 days	52 days	49.5 days
Oldest Case (non-OIS)	175 days	238 days	266 days
Cases awaiting assignment at Internal Affairs	0	0	2
Median Age			19.5
Oldest Case			26
Ongoing Supervisory Investigations	2	2	2
Median Age	41 days	19.5 days	50 days
Oldest Case	56 days	27 days	66 days

Status of Officer-involved Shootings and In-Custody Death Investigations

	INCIDENT DATE	CASE	SUBJECT	OFFICER(S)	IA INV	IPR NOTES
1	1/2/19	19-B-01	Ruiz	Robert	R Smith, Rhodes	Debriefing
4	12/8/19	19-B-69	Henriksen	Leonard/Raphael	Cass, Stout	Training Analysis

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Ross Caldwell', written in a cursive style.

Ross Caldwell
IPR Director