BART POLICE CITIZEN REVIEW BOARD

Quarterly Report to Board of Directors

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То:	BART Board of Directors
From:	BART Police Citizen Review Board George Perezvelez, Chairperson
Subject:	End of Year and 4th Quarter Report to Board of Directors

This quarterly report from the BART Police Citizen Review Board (BPCRB) to the BART Board of Directors covers the BPCRB's most significant activities for October, November, and December as well as a 2023 end-of-year summary.

BART Police Citizen Review Board Members:

Toren Fischer	District 1
Sonja Shephard	District 2
William White	District 3
Dana Lang (Vice Chairperson)	District 4
Todd Davis	District 5
Lester M. Mensinger	District 6
Vacant	District 7
David Rizk	District 8
George Perezvelez (Chairperson)	District 9
Erin Armstrong	Public-At-Large
Gabriel Rodrigues	BART Police Officers and Managers Associations

Reporting

This is the formal written report to the Board of Directors.

Passing of CRB Board Member

Member Les Mensinger passed away in June 2023. Les Mensinger was among the original members of the CRB which began in 2013 and his input was valued by all. The CRB adjourned the meeting in his honor on July 10, 2023, as well as the BART Board on July 27, 2023. The CRB welcomed his son, Lester M. Mensinger, to serve as District 6 representative at our December 11, 2023 meeting.

Primary Duties and Responsibilities

The Citizen Oversight Model lists several primary duties and responsibilities for the BPCRB. The general topic headings below describe the BPCRB activities related to these tasks.

Receiving complaints, reviewing investigative reports and making recommendations for corrective action.

The Independent Police Auditor has received complaints which are being investigated. During this quarter (October, November, and December 2023), two cases (OIPA Case #23-04, and #23-07, Govt. Code 54957) were presented to the BPCRB, and the OIPA recommendations were agreed to by at least a majority of BPCRB members.

Board Elections

BPCRB held Chair and Vice -Chair elections on July 10, 2023 for the 2023-2024 term. Board Members Perezvelez and Lang were elected to the Chair and Vice-Chair positions respectively.

Recommendations on Procedures, and Practices

A motion to create a Sub committee to review the Use of Force Policy #300 was approved.

Community Outreach Activities

The Community Outreach Subcommittee continues to distribute and update a calendar of BART-related events and encourages all members to attend. Sub-committee members attended the Art & Soul Festival and the Día de Los Muertos event and recommended outreach materials for future community events.

Participation in Chief of Police Selection

Board Members George Perezvelez and Dana Lang participated in the oral board interviews for the selection of the Chief of Police.

Participation in the 2024 NACOLE Conference

Board Members George Perezvelez and Dana Lang participated in the 2024 NACOLE (National Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement) conference in Chicago November 12th- 16th 2023. Over 600 persons from across the country attended. Board Member Perezvelez was re-elected to the NACOLE Board for the 2023-2026 term.

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