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Evandro C. Carvalho, Executive Director

CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD POLICY SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes

Wednesday, April 15, 2026

In-Person Meeting | 2201 Washington Street, Suite 102, Boston, MA 02119

Call to Order

Samuel Harold called the meeting to order at **10:15 a.m.**

Attendance

Members Present:

Samuel Harold

Joshua Dankoff

Members Not Present:

Amaury Perez

With 2 of 3 members present quorum established

Review of Previous Session Minutes

Motion: To approve January 28, 2026 meeting minutes.

Moved by: Joshua Dankoff

Seconded by: Samuel Harold

Vote: Samuel Harold (yes), Joshua Dankoff (yes)

Result: Motion approved



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OPAT Commission Meeting Update

The Deputy Director presented updates from the recent April 9th OPAT Commission meeting, including ongoing matters related to BPD responses to CRB findings and body-worn camera (BWC) footage practices.

Body-Worn Camera Policy

Members discussed considerations related to body-worn camera footage, including concerns about the timeliness of release, the potential for selective disclosure of footage, and public expectations for transparency. Members also discussed a potential recommendation framework in which footage would be released to OPAT within seven days and made available to the public within thirty days.

Considerations related to body-worn camera footage, including:

- Concerns regarding timeliness of release
- Potential for selective disclosure of footage
- Public expectations for transparency

Potential recommendation framework:

- Release of footage to OPAT within **7 days**
- Public release within **30 days**

BPD Responses and Legal Authority

Members discussed recent correspondence from the BPD Commissioner regarding the referral of cases to the Internal Affairs Division (IAD) and limitations on sharing investigatory materials. Members raised concerns about the absence of specific legal citations in the Commissioner's correspondence to support these positions and discussed the need for greater clarity.



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Evidence Sharing

Members discussed requests from BPD for access to investigatory materials, emphasizing the importance of protecting complainant confidentiality while maintaining the independence and integrity of OPAT investigations.

Policy Subcommittee Draft Letter

Members revised a draft letter to the BPD Commissioner and discussed language and sentence structure.

Motion: To adopt revised draft letter and advance to full board for further consideration

Moved By: Joshua Dankoff

Seconded: Samuel Harold

Vote: Joshua Dankoff (yes), Samuel Harold (yes)

POST Commission Reporting

Members discussed reporting practices related to the Massachusetts POST Commission, including the potential to submit all sustained findings in order to promote consistency and transparency in reporting practices.

Additional Discussion

Members discussed:

- Ongoing challenges related to timeliness of responses from BPD
 - Distinctions between criminal investigations and internal administrative processes
 - The impact of meeting cadence on responsiveness and policy development
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Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn.

Moved by: Joshua Dankoff

Seconded by: Samuel Harold

Vote: Samuel Harold (yes), Joshua Dankoff (yes)

The meeting concluded at **2:08pm**.

Minutes respectfully submitted by: OPAT Staff