



**POLICE ACCOUNTABILITY BOARD**  
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA  
**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2024**  
**6:30 P.M.**

Board Members

John Moore III (Chair)  
Kitty Calavita  
Brent Blackaby  
Alexander Mozes

Leah Wilson (Vice-Chair)  
Juliet Leftwich  
Joshua Cayetano

**MEETING LOCATION**

2020 Milvia Street, Suite 250  
Berkeley, CA 94704

Meeting Recording: <https://youtu.be/PSwTKE7dLDg?si=lw2O-cxqUZ7GNw4Y>

**MINUTES**

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL at 6:34 PM**

**Present:** Board Member Leah Wilson (Vice-Chair)<sup>1</sup>  
Board Member Calavita  
Board Member Juliet Leftwich  
Board Member Brent Blackaby  
Board Member Joshua Cayetano  
Board Member Alexander Mozes

**Absent:** Board Member John Moore (Chair)<sup>2</sup>

**ODPA Staff:** Hansel Aguilar, Director of Police Accountability  
Jose Murillo, Policy Analyst  
Jayson Wechter, Investigator

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<sup>1</sup> Vice-Chair Wilson was initially recorded as absent, as she was not present during the roll call. However, she joined the meeting immediately thereafter, and the record was subsequently amended.

<sup>2</sup> Chair Moore was granted a leave of absence by Councilmember Bartlett. The leave of absence is attached hereto.

**BPD Staff:** Keegan Horton, Investigator  
Chief Louis  
Lt. Montgomery

**CAO Staff:** DCA Stephen Hylas

**CMO Staff:** Dr. Carianna Arredondo, Assistant to the City Manager  
Rex Brown, DEI Officer  
Scott Gilman, Interim HHCS Director

## 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

### **Motion to approve the agenda.**

Moved/Second (Calavita/Blackaby) Motion carried.

Ayes: Blackaby, Calavita, Cayetano, Leftwich, Mozes, and Wilson.

Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Moore

## 3. PUBLIC COMMENT (TBD)

2 Physical Present Speaker(s)

0 Virtually Present Speaker(s)

## 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Minutes for the Regular Meeting of May 22, 2024

### **Motion to approve the meeting minutes for the Regular Meeting of May 22, 2024**

Moved/Second (Leftwich/Calavita) Motion carried.

Ayes: Blackaby, Calavita, Cayetano, Leftwich, Mozes, and Wilson.

Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Moore

## 5. ODPa STAFF REPORT

ODPA staff provides the Board with updates. Director Aguilar reports the budget proposal submission to the City Council and the Downtown Task Force report to the City Attorney's office. He clarifies his quoted remarks in a San Francisco article about police use of a computer voice stress analyzer (CVSA)<sup>3</sup>. Investigator Jayson Wechter briefs the Board on a sheriff oversight webinar<sup>4</sup>. DEI Officer Brown reminds the PAB of the city's

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<sup>3</sup> Article: <https://www.sfchronicle.com/california/article/law-enforcement-technology-investigations-18756947.php>

<sup>4</sup> Article: <https://www.davisvanguard.org/2024/06/california-coalition-for-sheriff-oversight-drives-statewide-movement-for-accountability-and-justice/>

Juneteenth festival on June 16th<sup>5</sup>. ODPa staff confirms arrangements for the PAB's participation in the festival.

## **6. CHAIR AND BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS**

Board Member Cayetano comments on the location of PAB meetings, addressing concerns about public accessibility.

## **7. CHIEF OF POLICE'S REPORT**

Chief Louis provides updates on staffing, training, and cases of interest. She responds to an inquiry regarding the legitimacy of CVSA, emphasizing its use solely as a supplementary tool rather than a conclusive one. Chief Louis also addresses an inquiry about BPD's involvement in a UC police action on May 16th<sup>6</sup>, clarifying the process of mutual aid requests.

## **8. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

Subcommittees report on their activities.

## **9. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Discussion and action relating the interconnection between the Specialized Care Unit (SCU) and the BPD (Calavita)

No actions were taken. Dr. Arredondo and Interim HHCS Director Gilman answered questions about the SCU and its working relationship with the BPD. Vice-Chair Wilson cites the Berkeley City Auditor's report<sup>7</sup> for data on the types of service calls received by the BPD (e.g. mental health).

- b. Section 125(19)(e) - (h) Training with DPA Aguilar: Option to contest the Chief of Police's determination to the Director of Police Accountability (ODPA)

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<sup>5</sup> Berkeley Juneteenth Festival Information: <https://berkeleyjuneteenth.org/>

<sup>6</sup> For additional information, please refer to the following articles:

Berkeleyside: <https://www.berkeleyside.org/2024/05/16/arrests-mass-police-presence-reported-anna-head-hall-pro-palestine-occupation> ; The Berkeley Scanner: <https://www.berkeleyscanner.com/2024/05/17/uc-berkeley-crime/uc-berkeley-protest-house-police-raid/> ; The Daily Californian: [https://www.dailycal.org/news/campus/12-arrested-following-police-raid-at-barricaded-anna-head-complex/article\\_3b3239ec-1480-11ef-b11d-731cad5568c7.html](https://www.dailycal.org/news/campus/12-arrested-following-police-raid-at-barricaded-anna-head-complex/article_3b3239ec-1480-11ef-b11d-731cad5568c7.html)

<sup>7</sup> 2021 Berkeley City Auditor's Report "Data Analysis of Berkeley's Police Response":

<https://berkeleyca.gov/sites/default/files/2022-01/Data-Analysis-Berkeley-Police-Response.pdf>

No actions were taken. The Board expresses interest in revisiting the topic at a future meeting in order to consider adopting a review process proposal.

- c. Discussion and action concerning the status of pending policy reviews undertaken by the PAB (ODPA)

No actions were taken.

- d. Overview of the Berkeley Police Accountability Webpage (ODPA)

No actions were taken. Policy Analyst Murillo provides an overview of the Berkeley Police Accountability Webpage.

## 10. PUBLIC COMMENT

1 Physical Present Speaker(s)

0 Virtually Present Speaker(s)

## 11. CLOSED SESSION

### CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

Pursuant to the Court's order in *Berkeley Police Association v. City of Berkeley, et al.*, Alameda County Superior Court Case No. 2002-057569, the Board will recess into closed session to discuss and act on the following matter(s):

- a. Case Updates and Recommendations Regarding Complaints Received by the ODPAs:

#### **Motion to accept ODPAs staff recommendations in ODPAs Case Number 2023-CI-0017 with amendments to the report.**

Moved/Second (Mozes/Wilson) Motion carried.

Ayes: Blackaby, Calavita, Cayetano, Leftwich, Mozes, and Wilson.

Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Moore

### END OF CLOSED SESSION

## 12. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

Vice-Chair Wilson announces the closed session actions.

## 13. ADJOURNMENT

**Motion to adjourn.** Moved/Second (Wilson/Blackaby) The meeting was adjourned at 9:16 PM by unanimous consent.

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Minutes Approved on: June 26, 2024

Hansel Aguilar, Commission Secretary:   
[Hansel Aguilar \(Aug 13, 2024 13:45 CDT\)](#)

# 2024-06-05 REGULAR Meeting Minutes

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