

University of Chicago Police Department Community Advisory Committee

September 19, 2016 6:00pm-7:15pm Meeting Minutes

Meeting Facilitator: Fountain Walker Minutes Taken by: Sikola Maxey

Members Present: Peter Cassel

Felicia Dawson Bill Lowry Joanne Nee Fountain Walker

Members Absent: Brian Dean

Kim Dubclet
Jim Montgomery
Kamau Murray,
Cortez Trotter
Tom Levinson
Dante Sawyer

Proceedings: Meeting called to order at 6:10 pm by Fountain Walker, UCPD Chief of Police

Business: Safety & Security Update

- Chief of Police Fountain Walker opened the meeting by welcoming the committee members and also introducing officers from UCPD Community Relations Unit and explained that each Community Relations Unit officer will be assigned to specific campus areas as points of contact for the community.
- Chief Walker also discussed the creation of two new beats, Hyde Park: 51st Street south to 55th Street, Cottage Grove Avenue east to Woodlawn Avenue and South Kenwood: 47th Street south to 51st Street, Drexel east to Dorchester Avenue. Chief Walker also discussed the increased presence on 63rsd Street, from Cottage Grove to Lake Shore Drive, and also the new shuttle bus stop at 63rd Cottage Grove.

- Safety &Security
 - UCPD has partnered with the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives to offer
 a 12 week- 1hour after school class at UChicago Woodlawn Charter School. The Law & Your
 Community is a nationally recognized hands-on interactive training program for young people
 ages 13-18 designed to improve their communications with law enforcement officers and their
 understanding of their federal, state and local laws. Components of the program include:
 Citizenship, Law Literacy, and Law Enforcement Engagement.
 - Starting on October 20th, Chief Walker will have open office hours from 5pm-7pm for community members to stop in if they have a questions or concerns. Open office hours will be the 3rd Thursday of each month. No appointment is needed.
 - Office of Civic Engagement and UCPD has created a flyer that describes UCPD's engagement initiatives. The flyer will be disseminated by the Community Relations Unit at primarily CAPS meetings and community events.

Agenda Item #2 Updates/Community Concerns

Discussion:

Chief Fountain Walker discussed UCPD's continued community outreach, particularly focusing on engaging more with youth, UCPD's interactions thus far with community organizations, CPD and Aldermanic offices. He discussed the importance of keeping UCPD informed regarding community issues so that they can be addressed immediately. The committee discussed safety concerns in the North Kenwood area regarding break- ins and home invasions and UCPD increased presence in these areas.

Chief Walker concluded with emphasizing the UCPD 4 main objectives:

- 1. Relationship Building
- 2. Educating the Community
- 3. Information Sharing
- 4. Youth Engagement

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm

Next Meeting: December 2016, date TBD

Minutes submitted by: Sikola Maxey

Minutes Approved: September 21, 2016; Chief Fountain Walker