Community Advisory Board to the ACPD

Executive Summary December 2020 – June 2021

Current Members of the Community Advisory Board

Name	Representative	Position
Queen	CCD Student	Chair (March – current)
Pompee		Vice Chair (December – March)
Megan Cullen	CU Denver Staff	Vice Chair (March – current)
Marcia Walsh-Aziz	MSU Denver Faculty	Secretary
Cassy Cadwallader	AHEC Community	Member
Katelynn Dugan	AHEC Community	Member
Elena Getto	CCD Student	Member
Andrea Goldblum	CCD Staff	Member- resigned July 2021

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Lauren Gutierrez	MSU Denver Student	Member
Nahum Kisner	MSU Denver Staff	Member
Charles Musiba	CU Denver Faculty	Member
Alexis Nakabayashi	CU Denver Student	Member
Rosanna Sweeney	AHEC Community	Member
Lisa Tafoya	CCD Faculty	Chair (December – March)/ Member
VACANT	CU Denver Student	Open since March 2021
VACANT	MSU Denver Student	Open since May 2021
VACANT	CCD Staff	Open Since July 2021

Accomplishments (December 2020 – June 2021)

- All board members completed zoom-based training provided by members of the Auraria Campus Police Department (ACPD) during January and February 2021. These trainings educated the committee on officer training, budget, policies, and general ACPD makeup and duties
- Organized a Zoom Town Hall introducing the CAB on April 1, 2021. The town hall was moderated by Omar Montgomery, Queen Pompee (Chair), Marcia Walsh-Aziz (Secretary), & Nahum Kisner (member) represented the CAB, and Chief Phibbs represented the ACPD. Megan Cullen (Vice Chair) moderated and responded to questions via the chat. About 60 community members participated in this event and the CAB was provided with invaluable feedback regarding the role and makeup of such events in the future.
- Discussed and decided not to include funding for a new Body Worn Camera in the ACPD's 2021 – 2022 budget request. A greater discussion on this decision and future plans can be found <u>here</u>
- Participated in CU Denver Department of Psychology undergraduate capstone research project which polled a small, non-representative selection of CU Denver students regarding the perception of ACPD. Original intent was to receive campus wide information from all 3 institutions, but this was not possible in the time frame and research logistics. The project was a hands-on learning experience for this course, but ultimately the CAB could not ethically use the information for meaningful direction, discussions, or future projects due to project limitations.
- We have established 3 subcommittees:
 - <u>Marketing & Accessibility</u>: Charged with managing social media presence (Instagram) and working with marketing at AHEC on advertising events and maintaining/assuring accessibility to materials
 - Members: Megan Cullen, Lauren Gutierrez, & Marcia Walsh-Aziz
 - <u>Community Outreach & Survey</u>: Originally set up as liaison between CAB and the Psychology course members, now establishing future survey plan and community outreach
 - Members: Cassy Cadwallader, Megan Cullen, Elena Getto, & Lauren Gutierrez
 - Policy & Procedure Review: Charged with systematically prioritizing and reviewing policies of the ACPD to determine any areas that need to be brought to the whole board and seeking collaboration with community input (SACAB, SGAs, and other organizations) on policies and procedures.
 - Members: Cassy Cadwallader, Lauren Gutierrez, Alexis Nakabayashi, Rosanna Sweeney, Lisa Tafoya, & Marcia Walsh-Aziz
- All previous meetings and the April Town Hall event can be viewed <u>here</u>

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Current Activities

- Actively seeking new members to fill vacancies including: 1 CU Denver student, 1 MSU Denver student, and 1 CCD staff. Application deadline is set for September 10, 2021.
- We are actively pursuing in-depth training regarding power, privilege, anti-racism, and anti-oppression. We have reached out to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion branches of all three universities and AHEC/ACPD and obtained funding for a quality workshop in early Fall.
- We have started an online presence on Instagram
- Working on establishing connection and collaboration with SACAB:
 - Cassy Cadwallader & Lauren Gutierrez regularly attended SACAB meetings starting in December 2020 and became the main points of contact between the two groups. Cassy representing the ASCP (Auraria Sustainable Campus Program) and member of CAB was able to cross-share information and invited collaboration between the groups. Lauren met with Marlena Harwood and discussed SACAB's "Resolution in Support of Enhanced Communication and Transparency from the Auraria Campus Police Department". Discussions between Cassy, Lauren, and SACAB members specifically discussed the potential Body Worn Camera program on the Auraria campus and the different current discussions and decisions from our two groups (SACAB and CAB).
 - Continued confusion occurred between who served on CAB vs ACPD vs AEC, what the function of CAB was, CAB's relationship to SACAB, and how lines of communication were being maintained and reported within/outside of the group. Cassy and Lauren brought up this issue and requested more singular and direct lines of communication be used between CAB and SACAB. Which thus sparked a concerted effort for the two groups to meet independent of the full group meetings.
 - A small group representing CAB (Queen Pompee, Megan Cullen, Marcia Walsh-Aziz, Cassy Cadwallader, & Lauren Gutierrez) met June 8th, 2021 with members of SACAB (X Johnson and Mariam Osman). An important topic discussed in our initial meeting was the origins of CAB as well as a lack of transparency in how CAB members were selected. The idea of CAB being absorbed into SACAB was introduced to the group and needs further discussion.
 - It was decided that SACAB and ACPD CAB would resume this conversation after SACAB resumes their sessions in early July so that all SACAB representatives had the opportunity to be present in these discussions.
 - July 2021 Update: CAB and SACAB have resumed communication and a smaller group (Mariam Osman, Megan Cullen, Lauren Gutierrez, and Marcia Walsh-Aziz) met July 19, 2021. The original group listed above including X Johnson, Jason Stroh-Faron, Cassy Cadwallader, & Queen Pompee are scheduling a meeting

early August 2021 to clear up any continued miscommunications and misunderstandings and resume collaborations.

- CAB is prioritizing collaboration with multiple organizations on campus as the Fall semester begins.
- We are currently reviewing the ACPD CAB Bylaws provided to the inaugural committee. Under consideration at this moment, is <u>section 2</u> regarding the process by which new members are selected. It is our desire to make this process more transparent as well as establish more staggered membership terms to ensure continuity (currently by-laws will force all members to retire simultaneously).

Future Plans

We developed 6- and 12-month goals during the meeting on May 6 consisting of:

- Increased community engagement (6-month)
- Policy Reviews of ACPD including hiring practices and required officer trainings (6month)
- Continue Bylaws review and revision or amendment (6-month)
- Trainings related to facilitating difficult conversations (12- month)
- Educate, collaborate, and decide on more long-term plan regarding the development of a Body Worn Camera Program on campus (12- month)
- Partner with/Conduct climate survey related to community needs in regards to safety and policing on campus (12- month)