

## Lawrence Citizen's Advisory Board Minutes – April 13, 2015

Members present: Nicole Rials  
Baha Safadi  
Brian Goodack  
Theresa Schwartz  
Laura Canelos-Ramon

Members absent: Rob Farha

Staff Present: Chief Tarik Khatib  
Captain Paul Fellers  
Captain Adam Heffley  
Sergeant Trent McKinley

The board was advised of two new racial profiling complaints made in 2015. Both cases are being investigated. Captain Heffley provided basic summaries of what had been reported to investigators.

Four incidents of Taser use have occurred thus far in 2015. The incidents were discussed with the board and follow up questions were answered. Each of the Taser deployments have been deemed to be within department policy.

The board discussed potential name changes for the board to more clearly reflect what the board does. The membership unanimously decided the board should be renamed "*Advisory Board for Fair and Impartial Policing*". Theresa Schwartz offered to submit the request, through the City Manager's Office, to the Mayor for consideration at an upcoming City Commission meeting.

The membership discussed changing the meeting location and will be examining the possibility of meeting Thursday evenings, every two months, at City Hall. The board believes this may increase visibility of the board and attendance at meetings. The June 8<sup>th</sup> meeting is still slated to be at the Investigations and Training Center.

The membership discussed updating the bi-laws, formally naming the Chair and Vice-Chair and establishing a secretary position. Additional discussion is planned for the June meeting.

Chief Khatib provided the board with information about the upcoming police academy, discussed bias-based policing principles and discussed issues surrounding use of cameras to document police activity.

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm, at the Investigations and Training Center, 4820 Bob Billings Parkway.