

Board Report



GREATER SUDBURY
POLICE SERVICES BOARD

A newsletter from the Greater Sudbury Police Services Board

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2015 Meeting Schedule

January 14
February 11
March 12
April 9
May 13
June 10
July - no meeting
August - no meeting
September 9
October 14
November 10
December 9

All Public meetings
start at 4:00 p.m. at
Police Headquarters
5th Floor Boardroom
190 Brady Street
Sudbury, Ontario
– unless otherwise
posted

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Reports Received by the Board

MARCH 12, 2015

Police Complaints Presentation – Superintendent Sheilah Weber made a presentation to the Board on 'Public Accountability - Complaints and Discipline Process'. Police discipline is the responsibility of the Chief of Police who has delegated the administration of these duties to the Executive Services Branch and the Professional Standards Bureau. The Chief's office makes the final determination on such discipline related matters. Supervisors are responsible to guide and mentor Service members to develop ethically and professionally. Policing strives to strengthen public trust through transparency in the execution of duties with integrity and accountability in exercising those duties. A number of checks and balances are in place both internally and externally to monitor the delivery of police services. When concerns arise, complaint processes are available and transparent. A copy of the presentation is posted on the Service web site.



2014 Annual Report on Public Complaints – Section 31(1)(j) of the *Police Services Act* requires the Board to review the Chief's administration of the complaints system under Part V and receive regular reports respecting complaints about the policies or services provided by the police force and their disposition. The Office of the Independent Police Review Director (OIPRD) provides an objective and impartial environment to accept, process, and oversee the investigations of public complaints against Ontario's police. The Service received 44 complaints in 2014. The OIPRD considered 22 to be frivolous and deemed 1 substantiated and resolved, 7 unsubstantiated, 6 were withdrawn, 5 were resolved, and 3 were carried forward for resolution in 2015.

2014 Chief's Complaints / Investigations

– Section 76 of the *Police Services Act* states that a Chief of Police may make a complaint under this section regarding the conduct of a police officer employed by their police force, other than the Chief of Police and Deputy Chief of Police, and shall cause the complaint to be investigated and the investigation to be submitted to the Board in a written report. In 2014, the Professional Standards Bureau investigated nine Chief's complaints pursuant to section 76 of the *Police Services Act*. Of these 9 matters investigated, 6 were unsubstantiated, 2 as misconduct but found not of a serious nature and were resolved informally with the involved officers. One continues in 2015

2014 Use of Force Report – reports are submitted in accordance with the Provincial Use of Force Standards as governed by Regulation 926 of the *Police Services Act*, the Greater Sudbury Police Service ADM 012 Use of Force Reporting and ADM 44. Analysis of the Use of Force reports and statistics has shown no areas outside of the already established training curriculum need further attention.

Our Shared Commitment Awards Dinner Banquet

– the Greater Sudbury Police Service is happy to advise the launch of 'Our Shared Commitment' Awards Dinner Banquet on May 14, 2015 to recognize citizens, organizations, and members of the Service for outstanding contributions to the Police Service and community and will be celebrated as part of Annual Police Week activities. Individuals who have assisted the Service through acts of bravery or by other means as well as organizations or service groups who have partnered with the Service over the past year will be recognized.

PAO Labour Conference Update – Vice Chair Caldarelli and CAO Baiden attended the PAO Labour Conference held March 2-3, 2015 in Mississauga. Member Caldarelli reported that the conference was very interesting and worthwhile especially sessions on Coordinated Bargaining and body worn cameras. She noted were that half of the presenters were female. CAO Baiden commented that the conference was excellent and provides relevant and current information especially on case law decision and items of interest. The conference will be celebrating its 25th year in 2016. The conference provides an oportune venue to meet with members of the Police Association and discuss issues of mutual interest.

Notes of Appreciation

A letter was received from a Sudbury resident thanking the Service for their assistance during a recent family emergency. The Communications Centre dispatchers kept her calm during her call to 9-1-1 and provided directions for resuscitation. "Your encouragement helped me greatly." The officers in attendance and the Forensic Unit were complete professionals. "I could see that you were truly sorry for my loss. You calmly waited for my responses and contacted Victim Services to assist me. I want you to know that your professionalism was wonderful."

APRIL 9, 2015

Welcome by Chair – Chair Lougheed opened the meeting, welcoming the Board and guests on hand this evening for presentations.



Volunteer Presentation – Sheila Kelly-Petrin, Volunteer Coordinator, and Chief Pedersen made a presentation on volunteers at the Service at their impact on our community. Volunteering is vital to the community to keep us strong, inclusive and resilient. Our Storefront Program is celebrating its 25th anniversary and the Citizens on Patrol Program, its 10th. The Service's volunteers are comprised of a variety of ages from 18 to 80 and all walks of life. Chief Pedersen also highlighted the volunteer activities of many members of the Service. Please contact us for information on the many opportunities for volunteers.

Presentation of New Auxiliary Officers – Chief Pedersen and Chair Lougheed welcomed new Auxiliary Unit Members Stephen Bryanton, Jennifer Cayen, Jordan Carroll, Daniel Dechaine, Kristopher Dupont, Filip Kedzierski, Melissa Loranger, Alex McDonald, Nicholas Micelotta, Jessica Nykilchyk, Manon Packham, Ian Reedman, Matthew Sanders, Marc Andre Vaillancourt, and Bradley Walker. The Auxiliary Constables undertook their oath in unison. Chief Pedersen congratulated the group and thanked their families for supporting their choice and entrusting their safety with the Service.

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