

Citizen Complaint Authority
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Board Meeting Minutes
March 6, 2023

Attendees Present

CCA Board

Wanda Spivey, Chair
Tracey Johnson, Vice Chair
Luz Elena Schemmel
Clarice Warner

Absent

Ashley Harp

Staff

Gabriel Davis, CCA Director
Dena Brown, CCA Division Manager (Chief Investigator)
Ike Ekeke, CCA Investigator
Morgan Givens, CCA Investigator
Jessalyn Goodman, CCA Investigator
Makiedah Messam, CCA Investigator
Robert Stephens, CCA Investigator
Joseph Vesper, CCA Investigator
Michelle Bonner, CCA Sr. Administrative Specialist
Heidi Woods, CCA, Administrative Specialist
Jay Johnstone, Captain, CPD's Internal Investigation Section
David Sturkey, Assistant City Solicitor

Chair Spivey called the meeting to order at 5:08 p.m.

Minutes from Previous Meeting

Member Schemmel moved, and Member Warner seconded a motion to accept minutes from the February 6, 2023 meeting as written. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

Director's Report

Director Davis presented the Director's Report to the board.

The Board was presented with 11 new fully vetted CCA investigation reports. In total, the reports involved 24 officers with 54 allegations with the recommended decisions of 6 exonerated, 27 not sustained, 7 unfounded and 14 sustained.

Public Comment

1. **CCA Case Number 20115:** Complainant Terhas White was present and commented on her case.

Attorney Zach Gottersman was present and commented on the case representing Officer Ryan Olthaus; they disagreed with CCA's sustained finding.

2. **CCA Case Number 20188:** Attorney Rob Linneman commented on the case.
3. Cincinnati Black United Front Representatives Iris Roley and Matthew Korte were present and commented.
4. Derek Neumann was present and commented.
5. FOP Dan Hils was present and commented.
6. Hamilton County Public Defender Samantha Silverstein was present and commented.
7. Max Londberg was present and commented.

Old Business

None

New Business

1. **CCA Case Number 20188:** Member Schemmel moved and Vice Chair Johnson seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

2. **CCA Case Number 20015:** Member Schemmel moved and Vice Chair Johnson seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings. (Agree 3 - Oppose 1 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

3. **CCA Case Number 20097:** Vice Chair Johnson moved and Member Schemmel seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

4. **CCA Case Number 20112:** Vice Chair Johnson moved and Member Schemmel seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

5. **CCA Case Number 20090:** Member Warner moved and Member Schemmel seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings. (Agree 3 - Oppose 1 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

6. **CCA Case Number 20095:** Vice Chair Johnson moved and Member Schemmel seconded a motion to accept Director’s findings. (Agree 2 - Oppose 2 - Abstain 0). **Motion failed.**

The Board’s **motion failed** to adopt Sustained findings for the “Improper Seizure” (Agree 2 - Oppose 2 - Abstain 0) and “Improper Procedure (BWC)” (Agree 2 - Oppose 1 - Abstain 1) allegations.

7. **CCA Case Number 20089:** Member Warner moved and Member Schemmel seconded a motion to accept CCA’s findings. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**
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8. **CCA Case Number 20090:** Member Warner moved and Vice Chair Johnson seconded a motion to accept CCA’s findings. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**
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9. **CCA Case Number 20099:** Member Warner moved and Member Schemmel seconded a motion to accept CCA’s findings. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**
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10. **CCA Case Number 20092:** Vice Chair Johnson moved and Member Schemmel seconded a motion to accept CCA’s findings. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**
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11. **CCA Case Number 20120:** Member Schemmel moved and Vice Chair Johnson seconded a motion to accept CCA’s findings. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**
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All CCA reports will be forwarded to the City Manager for review and final disposition.

Announcements

Director Davis stated that **CCA Case Number 22192** required further review by staff.

The Board and Director Davis thanked Luz Elena Schemmel for her service to the board. Member Schemmel’s seconded term ended March 2023.

Closing

Member Warner moved and Member Schemmel seconded a motion to adjourn the Board meeting. The meeting ended at 10:09 p.m. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

The next meeting will be held on **Monday, April 3, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.**

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