

**Use of Force Reform Working Group
Meeting Minutes
October 15, 2020
Members in attendance: Please list**

1. 5:36 - 5:39 Comm. Mims
Call to Order
Comm. Mims addressed the challenges we are facing in the community and across the nation. We are working toward creating conditions for a respectful and inclusive community with harmonious relationships between citizens and law enforcement.

2. 5:40 - 5:57 Arch Grieve/Will Smith
Discussion of Working group Member Survey
 - a. Arch Grieve addressed survey concerns with the group to ensure we are moving through the process.
 - b. Will Smith opened discussion up to the group for questions and commentary about the process and trust that there will be follow through for tangible results. The goal is to effect positive change.
 - c. Discussion about impact and longevity of the working group.

3. 5:57 - 6:24 Lauren Devine & Devin Bartlett
Research Follow-up
 - a. Pointing Firearm as “Use of Force: Lauren and Devin presented research and the group discussed how to conduct and aggregate more data.
 - b. Brief discussion of the need to research the psychological impact of pointing a weapon at a suspect.
 - c. Discussion of reporting each time a weapon is unholstered. It is not intended to make an officer hesitate due to the fear of needing to file a report.
 - d. Comments from Matt Carper concerning different reporting methods and recording technology (body cameras) and the need to address related policy considerations.
 - e. Timeline for followup with other departments; approximately 2 weeks
 - f. Discussion of Survey and use of force data points

4. 6:24 - 7:06 Lt. Eric Sheldon
Reporting Use of Force Walkthrough- “Blue Team” Platform
 - a. Lt. Sheldon provided a hypothetical walkthrough of how an arrest is documented, including how use of force is documented

- b. Lt. Sheldon shared screens so that the group could see how use of force is documented in the system. Thorough review of different drop-down menu options and reporting chain of command.
- c. Question and Discussion about public awareness regarding use of force complaints and request for information. Matt Carper added to discussion about the online community board and process for complaints and ensuing investigation.
- d. Discussion about the “oversight” working group and plan to spread public awareness about and access to the process for complaints.
- e. Discussion about the dashboard link and discussion of other groups’ recommendations. Further discussion about opportunities for outreach to educate citizens about their rights during a confrontation with law enforcement.
- f. Discussion with Matt Carper about policy updates and general feeling within the department about the existence of problems and the need to address these issues. Further discussion about plans and procedures for addressing systemic issues within the Dayton police department.

5. 7:05 - 7:06

Darius Beckham

Next Steps

- a. UDSL students to conduct further research on non-contact use of force best-practices and psychological impact.
- b. Plan to address the recommendations of other working groups and possible engagement measures to educate the community on citizen rights.
- c. Expect Survey request soon.

***Member Task before the next meeting:** See syllabus in Google Folder