

# Law Enforcement Advisory Board Meeting January 13, 2021 4:00pm via ZOOM

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Paul Soptick  
Scott Mackey  
X Reed Partridge  
Lt Col Bob Gunja  
LaRon Thompson  
Don Jolley  
Tony Carter  
Maria Cecilia Ysaac  
X Irene Caudillo  
Don Ash  
Mary Hopkins  
Joan DeMoss  
Dan Soptic  
Jeffry Fewell  
Michael York  
Terry Brockman  
X Kevin Steele  
David Thaxton  
X Lynn Melton  
JONAS CRUZ  
Larry Roland  
X Pam Waldeck  
  
Casey Meyer  
  
Kent Anderson

Asst Chief Pam Waldeck opened the ZOOM meeting at 4:00pm

Zoom recording was not available.

Asst Chief Pam Waldeck Reported the following:

- Body Worn camera roll-out continues. The Special Enforcement Unit is receiving the new cameras now. It is anticipated that the worn body cameras will be activated in late February or early March of this year. Also, new in-vehicle cameras are being installed in the district units.
- Two (2) resignations of police officers. The resignations stem from an internal investigation in which the officers were collecting evidence. The officers had been the subject of an internal investigation as a result of information received in the case.
- An Officer was terminated, as a result of a vehicle pursuit. A civilian received a minor injury as a result of a motor vehicle accident from the police pursuit. Thus, per policy, the officer was terminated.
- Authorized sworn personnel strength: 345

- Actual sworn strength: 325
- Fourteen (14) police recruits will start the Police Academy tomorrow (January 14, 2021).
- KCKPD starting a new hiring process in the foreseeable future. We are striving to hire a more diverse work force.
- One police officer being charged with a State Misdemeanor this afternoon from the District Attorney's Office. The charge stems from an internal affairs investigation that was implemented by the Department last year.
- COVID vaccinations are taking place this week for sworn and civilian personnel of the Department
- COVID infections were discovered in the Special Enforcement Unit and the Communications Unit. The Department has adjusted resources to handle the issue. The Leavenworth County Sheriff's Department has been assisting with any tactical call-outs. The infections have not affected readiness or police service.
- Security preparations for vaccine roll-out were mentioned in a limited fashion due to such discussions being law enforcement sensitive – Homeland Security sensitive.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45.