



Board of Directors Meeting Report
October 26, 2023
600 Jefferson; Conference room #2

The Crime Commission Board of Directors meeting was called to order by the Board of Directors chair Ben Adams. The July 27, 2023 board report was approved.

PRESENTATION TO MAYOR STRICKLAND

Mayor Strickland was presented with an award from the Crime Commission for his years of service on the Crime Commission board.

ELECTION OF RECOMMENDED NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Chairman Ben Adams introduced the following candidates for consideration to join the Crime Commission board. The vote was presented.

- Austin Baker-HRO Partners
- Dr. Regan Williams – LeBonheur Children’s Hospital
- County Commissioner Charlie Caswell – Shelby County Commission
- Tom Cowens – Commercial Advisors

The motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the aforementioned candidates as new Crime Commission board members.

ELECTION OF RECOMMENDED EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, OFFICERS, AND SAFE COMMUNITY PLAN CHAIR

The recommended executive committee, officers, and community plan chair:

ADOPTION OF BUDGET FOR FY23-24

Bill Gibbons pointed out two additions to the budget: the hiring of a lobbying firm and the addition of a professional survey potentially done in January to assist the new mayor with the polling results.

Bill Gibbons presented the Crime Commission budget for FY23-24.

The motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the budget as presented.

PLAN AND ACTION STEP OUTCOMES

Mr. Gibbons presented key plan outcome figures available to the board covering the period from January to September 2023:

- Through the third quarter, reported violent incidents involving guns in Memphis have increased 141% in 2023 compared to 2011 and increased 1.5% in 2023 compared to 2022.
- In comparison to 2011, guns that were stolen from motor vehicles increased 659.9% compared to 2011 and decreased 12.7% compared to 2022.
- Serious delinquent charges against juveniles in Memphis/Shelby County during the same time period decreased by 13.3% in 2023 compared to 2022.
- 57.6% of motor vehicle arrests involved persons under 24 years of age (Shelby County) YTD 2023, and the percentage of motor vehicle theft victims (Shelby County) YTD 2023 under 24 years of age was 14.4%.

REPORT ON MPD GUN CRIME

Dr. James McCutcheon reported on the MPD's Gun Crime Unit, which investigates non-fatal shootings, prepares reports, and disseminates data analysis for precincts. Dr. McCutcheon stated that the unit worked with 10 investigators for

Dr. Tim McCuddy stated that the projected YFRC outcomes were not as expected; however, they have improved. He stated that a major improvement has been getting the wait list down for youths served. Some areas of needed improvement:

- Consistently train law enforcement precincts.
- Increase community awareness of the YFRC.
- Make sure all data is being collected.

Future considerations:

- Address transportation issues among families who wish to use services.
- Develop the use of mobile screening and/or satellite locations.
- Consider the role of net-widening as it relates to justice-system contact.

ADOPTION OF STATE LEGISLATIVE POLICY AGENDA

The State Legislative Policy Agenda proposed by the Executive Committee was adopted with the exception of the statement on blended sentencing, which was tabled to a special meeting for further discussion.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Bill Gibbons indicated that the Crime Commission is financially stable.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned...

Presented by:

Sharon (Sam) Walker
Executive Assistant

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34. DeAndre Brown
35. Gregory Sanders
36. Austin Baker
37. Danielle?
38. Sandra Bromley
39. Amy Kiel
40. Dan Malone
41. Joe Terry
42. Tim McCuddy
43. Ashley?
44. Chris Gold
45. Regena Bearden
46. Stephanie Hill
47. John Deberry
48. Bill Gibbons
49. Mishell Vite
50. Linda Russell
51. Kimberly Conley