Public Questions and Answers:

The ACRB values citizen input, feedback, and comments. We make every attempt to address citizens’ questions in order to continue the community dialogue on the ACRB’s work and the accountability of Atlanta police and corrections officers. If you have a question, please do not hesitate to contact the ACRB or attend one of our monthly board meetings. See a complete listing of board meetings on the Home page.

July 2016 Board Meeting

I. Response to Public Comment Question

Citizen Comment: During the last board meeting, Mr. Keltric Thomas asked whether the board had the power to advise the Mayor and the APD on different policies and what type of interventions or practices has the board recommended or is willing to recommend to the APD.

ACRB Response: The ACRB has the power to make policy and other recommendations to the APD. In general, many ACRB recommendations are made during the complaint review stage and forwarded to the chief of police. Most of these recommendations involve issues discovered during the investigation of a complaint. The ACRB also makes policy recommendations to the APD. In the past, the ACRB has recommended policies related to body-worn cameras, dog shootings, 4th Amendment concerns, mediation program, and dash cam for documentation of traffic stops.

II. Citizen Comment: During the last board meeting, Mr. J.L. Booker expressed concern about his neighborhood association not receiving notification of the community meeting.

ACRB Response: The ACRB understands the importance of holding meetings in the community and strives to provide notification of all community meetings. Anytime the ACRB has a meeting in a community, the ACRB will provide notification to the surrounding neighborhood associations, APAB, and the NPUs. The ACRB will also place notices at public centers. In addition, the ACRB sends notices of community meetings through its email list. The ACRB also notifies the City Clerk’s Office of changes to the meeting. Board members who represent clusters of NPUs are also charged with providing notification to their NPU clusters.