

MEASUREMENT AND EVALUATION COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Chair and Vice-Chair Appointments

ISSUE

This report reviews and seeks approval for appointing an Acting Chair from December 31 of the current year to the first meeting in the upcoming year and to confirm a process for appointing a chair and vice-chair to the board.

Recommendation of the Committee

1. That Commissioner Mayor C. Clark be appointed as Acting Chair of the Board of Police Commissioners from December 31, 2023 to January 25, 2024; and
2. That a blind process be used when selecting a chair and vice-chair for 2024.

BACKGROUND

Pursuant to Section 27(8) of [The Police Act](#) the board shall appoint one member to be chair and another to be vice-chair.

Section 16 of the [Saskatoon Board of Police Governance Policy](#) provides direction for the Board to appoint the Mayor as Acting Board Chair at the last meeting of the year, until a new Board Chair is formally appointed in the first meeting of the upcoming year.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS

Following the process outlined in the Governance Policy, the Board is directed to appoint the Mayor as Acting Chair from December 31, 2023 to the first meeting of the upcoming year, January 25, 2024.

In the previous years the board has selected a chair and vice-chair through an open nomination and vote at the first meeting in January. It is recommended going forward that a blind process be utilized for selecting a chair and vice-chair for the board.

At the first meeting in January all members would be invited to make nominations through a blind process to the Board Secretary. Nominees are invited to publicly accept or decline the nomination. Once accepted, standing nominees will briefly present on their ability to fulfill the role. In the case of more than one nominee, members will submit blind votes to the Board Secretary.

OTHER IMPLICATIONS

There are no privacy, legal, social, or environmental implications identified.

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NEXT STEPS

The Board of Police Commissioners will invite all members to make nominations of Chair and Vice-Chair at the first meeting in January through a blind process to the Board Secretary.

Report Approval

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