

MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY
MEMORANDUM

To: President Kimo Ah Yun
Joel Pogodzinski, Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer
Marquette University Board of Trustees

From: Michael O'Hear, Professor of Law and Chair, Marquette University Police Department
Advisory Board

Date: June 8, 2026

Re: Annual Report of Marquette University Police Department Advisory Board

This report is respectfully submitted pursuant to § 114 of the Advisory Board's Rules, which requires the Board to "report of its activities" at least once per year.¹

In brief, the Board met four times during the 2025-2026 academic year. The minutes of all four meetings are attached to this memorandum. The meetings were informative and constructive. Police Department personnel provided extensive updates on the Department's activities and initiatives, as detailed in the attached minutes. Members of the Board provided feedback and suggestions.

Notable topics covered in our discussions included, among others:

- Successful launch of MUPD Traffic Unit
- Successful launch of Volunteer Student Emergency Medical Response (EMR) Team
- Ever-growing challenges of dealing with mentally ill individuals in the Department's patrol zone
- Departmental hiring
- Community relations initiatives, such as regular Coffee with a Cop events and appearances by the Department's dog, Blue
- Crime trends in the Department's patrol zone, including generally positive trends in 2025-2026
- Disposition of citizen complaints

¹ More specifically, § 144 states, "On at least an annual basis the Advisory Board shall file a report of its activities with the Board of Trustees and with the President, which report shall be publicly available."

**MINUTES OF Q3 2025 QUARTERLY MEETING
MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPARTMENT (MUPD) ADVISORY BOARD**

September 05, 2025

Eckstein Hall – Room 204

Secretary: Michael T. Flynn – Associate General Counsel

1. **Call to Order:** (10:00AM quorum established)

2. **Roll Call of Advisory Board Members:** (present)

- Julianne Browne – Student
- Kevin Conway – Associate Director of University Communication
- Michael T. Flynn – Associate General Counsel
- Edith Hudson – MUPD Chief of Police
- Michelle Kasbohm – Associate Director, Career Center / Staff Representative
- Jeffrey Kranz – MUPD Assistant Chief of Police
- Michael O’Hear – Professor of Law / Board Chair
- Carrie Peters – MUPD Data Analytics Specialist
- Ruth Peterson – MUPD Captain
- Lindsey St. Arnold Bell – Near West Side Partners Community Representative
- Meghan Stroshine – Chair & Associate Professor of Social and Cultural Sciences / Board Vice Chair

3. **Update on Crime Trends and Departmental Activities**

a. Crime Trends: (Peters/Kranz)

Marquette University Police Department January 1 through August 31, 2023/2024/2025						
Crimes Reported:	2023		2024		2025	
	MPD	MUPD	MPD	MUPD	MPD	MUPD
Personal Crimes						
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	8	10	4	5	0	6
Theft from Person	1	2	0	0	0	1
Assault/Battery	6	62	2	90	2	77
Sexual Assault/Rape	1	5	0	5	0	5
Total:	16	79	6	100	2	89
	95		106		91	
Property Crimes						
Burglary	0	40	2	17	0	25
Thefts (inc. retail)	0	213	0	219	0	199
Motor Vehicle Thefts	10	60	2	68	1	32
Arson	0	1	0	3	0	2
Total:	10	314	4	307	1	258
	324		311		259	

Of Note:

- Decrease in cars thefts largely attributable to:

- Increased patrol missions have put more eyes on the street.
- Use of deterrents such as The Club have reduced car thefts, particularly those involving Kias and Hyundais.
- Thefts generally being driven by:
 - Package thefts
 - Serial burglar (20+ burglaries), now in custody
- Disturbing Trends:
 - Minors (one 16 years old and one 17) in possession of firearms while breaking into cars.
 - Car break-ins largely driven by thieves searching for handguns in vehicles parked at venues employing metal detectors such as The Rave and Fiserv Forum.
 - “Street Takeovers” organized via social media occurring near (but not yet in) MUPD’s Designated Patrol Zone (DPZ), largely due to the intersections in the DPZ being too small to accommodate car burnouts and donuts.
 - These takeovers are sudden and sometimes violent with many participants armed, thus posing significant law enforcement challenges.
 - 20+ Street Takeovers occurred in Milwaukee during Labor Day Weekend.
 - Mayor and Milwaukee Police Department (MPD) working on proactive prevention and response strategies.

b. New Initiatives:

a. MUPD Traffic Unit

- i. Established Spring 2025 to reduce reckless driving and improve pedestrian safety.
- ii. One designated Traffic Unit officer assigned per shift.
- iii. Year over year increases:
 - Traffic stops: 2024 = 99; 2025 = 243
 - Traffic citations: 2024 = 59; 2025 = 190
 - OWIs: 2024 = 2; 2025 = 16
- iv. Media coverage: FOX6, Marquette Today, Spectrum, TMJ4, WISN, WPR

b. Volunteer Student Emergency Medical Response (EMR) Team

- i. MUPD, along with the College of Nursing and Aurora Sinai Medical Center, is exploring the potential to create a student volunteer EMR Response Team dispatched by MUPD to assist MUPD officers with on-site medical evaluation and treatment of those in need within the Designated Patrol Zone similar to

programs in effect at Georgetown University and Villanova University.

- ii. At recent Marquette O-Fest (September 4, 2025), 13 students with Emergency Medical Training (EMT) certification and another 9 students undergoing EMT training expressed interest in participating.
- iii. Potential Student Volunteer EMR Response Team being vetted by MUPD, Risk Management, and Office of General Counsel.

c. Community Engagement:

- July 13-18, 2025: C.O.P.S. Kids Camp at Salvation Army Wonderland Camp & Conference Center - Salem, WI
 - Free (other than travel) for 150 surviving children (6-14 years of age), as well as a parent or legal guardian, of law enforcement officers who died in the line of duty.
 - This was MUPD's tenth year of involvement.
- August 25, 2025: Tip A Cop at Texas Roadhouse in New Berlin—MUPD staff greeted and seated guests.
- August 28, 2025: Kickball tournament with local kids (including raffle) involving MUPD, MPD, Sheriff's Department at Baran Park in Milwaukee.
- October 4, 2025: NAMI Walk Southeast Wisconsin at Milwaukee County Zoo to benefit National Alliance on Mental Illness, a grassroots organization that provides support, education, and advocacy for people with mental illness and their families.
- October 11, 2025: Kickball organized by MUPD in conjunction with the "Faith & Blue" initiative to build connections and understanding between law enforcement and the community and to foster positive relationships with residents and faith leaders.
- Coffee with a Cop, a monthly event that offers a casual environment for community members and MUPD officers to build stronger relationships while enjoying free coffee and donuts at local establishments/venues.
- Self-Defense Classes beginning September 9, 2025: Open to students, faculty, and staff, the MUPD self-defense program combines a hands-on approach to learning effective techniques with information about the latest national and local crime trends.
- Personal Security Awareness Training beginning September 9, 2025: Free personal security awareness training classes conducted by MUPD, including steps one can take to limit exposure to personal and environmental security risks.

d. Hiring:

- 2 Police Aide positions (for 17- to 19-year-olds) available; 1 conditional offer pending
- 4 Communication positions were available: 2 new dispatchers hired; 1 offer pending background check; 1 remaining opening

- 1 Police Officer position currently open, but that could increase in the short term
4. **Public Comments:** none
 5. **Other Business:** none
 6. **Adjournment:** 10:45AM

**MINUTES OF Q4 2025 QUARTERLY MEETING
MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPARTMENT (MUPD) ADVISORY BOARD**

December 5, 2025

Eckstein Hall – Room 204

Secretary: Michael T. Flynn – Associate General Counsel

1. **Call to Order:** (10:00AM quorum established)
2. **Roll Call of Advisory Board Members:** (present)
 - Kevin Conway – Associate Director of University Communication
 - Michael T. Flynn – Associate General Counsel
 - Edith Hudson – MUPD Chief of Police
 - Michelle Kasbohm – Associate Director, Career Center / Staff Representative
 - Jeffrey Kranz – MUPD Assistant Chief of Police
 - James Hensley – MUPD Lieutenant
 - Michael O’Hear – Professor of Law / Board Chair
 - Carrie Peters – MUPD Data Analytics Specialist
 - Ruth Peterson – MUPD Captain
 - Catherine Sherman – MUSG Student Representative
 - Lindsey St. Arnold – Near West Side Partners Community Representative
 - Meghan Stroshine – Chair & Associate Professor of Social and Cultural Sciences / Board Vice Chair
3. **Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting** (Unanimous)
4. **Update on Crime Trends and Departmental Activities**
 - a. Crime Trend Statistics (Peters):

Marquette University Police Department January 1 through November 30, 2024/2025				
Crimes Reported:	2024		2025	
	MPD	MUPD	MPD	MUPD
Personal Crimes				
Homicide	0	0	0	0
Robbery	4	9	2	10
Theft from Person	0	0	0	1
Assault/Battery	3	127	3	123

Sexual Assault/Rape	0	8	1	11
Total:	7	144	6	145
	151		151	
Property Crimes				
Burglary	2	23	0	25
Thefts (inc. retail)	0	300	1	287
Motor Vehicle Thefts	2	90	1	39
Arson	0	3	0	3
Total:	4	416	2	354
	420		356	

[Of note]:

- Increase in Sexual Assault statistics may be attributable to increased reporting.
- Significant decrease in Motor Vehicle Thefts largely attributable to fewer Kia and Hyundai thefts due to (a) MUPD and Milwaukee Police Department initiatives to inform public and distribute free The Club anti-theft mechanisms; and (b) manufacturer recall modifications eliminating design defects.
- New MUPD Traffic Unit significantly impacting campus/Designated Patrol Zone safety:

TRAFFIC	2024	2025	
Pursuits	4	7	
Non-Pursuits*	13	12	
			% YOY Change
Traffic Stops	427	613	44%
Traffic Citations	241	484	101%
OWI Arrests	9	42	367%

*MUPD policy is to pursue fleeing violent felony suspect but not reckless driving (which MPD pursues).

Notable Incidents (Kranz):

- Extradition of suspect involved with March 2025 Marquette student overdose
 - MUPD collaborated with Illinois law enforcement to identify and arrest suspect, who was in possession of same drugs involved with student overdose, along with inculpatory evidence on cell phone.
 - Suspect to be extradited to Milwaukee County on December 10, 2025.
- Two Armed Robberies, week of November 23, 2025
 - 15th & State – At-large suspect held up student at knifepoint after assisting her with brushing snow off her car.
 - 13th & Kilbourne – At-large suspect (likely identified as unhoused) held up student at gunpoint and took her phone.
- Mentally ill individual arrested in attempted stabbing on December 3, 2025
 - 16th & Wisconsin – Suspect with two prior random assault arrests arrested by MUPD after threatening to stab female student and chasing male student who attempted to intervene.
 - Community Prosecutor seeking felony charges and geographical restrictions.
- Two suspects with outstanding felony warrants arrested on December 4, 2025
 - Mt. Sinai Hospital Area – MUPD approached one suspect carrying the other who had allegedly been shot, when the allegedly shot victim fled. Both were arrested on outstanding felony warrants.

b. Student Emergency Medical Services (Kranz):

- Student EMS personnel to be paid through Marquette Student Employment (similar to Eagle Express Drivers) and will respond to emergency calls within MUPD's Designated Patrol Zone only in a non-emergency vehicle (equipped with alert lighting) as accompanied by MUPD so as to provide initial medical evaluation and treatment prior to transport to medical facility (if necessary).
- Student EMS has been approved on a pilot program basis by University Administration, State Ambulance Review Board, and Milwaukee County Fire Department, with Aurora Health Care to provide oversight. Application pending before State Licensing Board as last step prior to initiation.

c. Community Engagement (Peterson/Hensley)

- “Walk with Blue” (3)
- Wellness + Helfaer Recreation facility “Open House with Blue”
- Northwest Side Partners’ Trunk or Treat

- Marquette's Child Center's Trick or Treat at Alumni Memorial Union
- "Coffee with a Cop" (9)
- Self-Defense classes (12)
- Personal Security Awareness training classes (7)
- Active Shooter training classes (15)
- Milwaukee County "Shop with a Cop" (December 6, 2025)
- "Tip a Cop" at Buffalo Wild Wings 3636 S. 27th Street Milwaukee (December 8, 2025)
- West Milwaukee "Shop with a Cop" (December 12, 2025)
- "Walk with Blue," popular during Final Exams, will convert next semester from first Monday of each month at the Marquette Mile to first Wednesday of each month at the Wellness + Helfaer Recreation facility (perhaps with celebrity participants).
- MUPD participating with students in Marquette's chapter of Letters of Love [@lettersoflove_marquette](#), which works to provide emotional support to sick children in the form of handmade cards sent to terminally or chronically ill in-patient children at various hospitals.
- MUPD's Servant Leadership training protocol adopted in part by Health Emergency Management at the Australian Government's Department of Health, Disability and Aging.
- MUPD invited to participate in Marquette's Center for Urban Research, Teaching and Outreach (CURTO) Education Preparedness Program presentation at the Racine Correctional Institution.
- MUPD has convened a monthly risk management policy and procedure review of citizen complaints, internal investigations, property damage reports, use of force reports, and traffic pursuit vs. non-pursuit decisions.

d. Hiring (Peterson):

- 2 Police Officer vacancies
- 1 Public Safety Officer vacancy (will replace Franz Schaller retiring December 19, 2025, after 30 years)
- 1 Police Aide
- 1 Behavioral Health Unit Intern (limited to 7 pending applicants for Spring 2026 semester)

5. **Semi-Annual Report on Citizen Complaints (April 26-December 5, 2025) (Kranz):**
 - Student's complaint that MUPD failed to adequately investigate student's assault allegation against non-student roommate (i.e., illegitimate touching) determined to be unfounded.
5. **Public Comments:** none
6. **Other Business:** Next Quarterly Meeting scheduled for Friday, February 20, 2026, at 10:00AM in location TBD.
7. **Adjournment:** 10:45AM

**MINUTES OF Q1 2026 QUARTERLY MEETING
MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPARTMENT (MUPD) ADVISORY BOARD**

February 20, 2026
Eckstein Hall – Room 255

1. **Call to Order:** (10:02AM quorum established)
2. **Roll Call of Advisory Board Members:** (present)
 - Julianne Browne – MUSG Student Representative
 - Michelle Kasbohm – Associate Director, Career Center / Staff Representative
 - Michael O’Hear – Professor of Law / Board Chair
 - Lindsey St. Arnold – Near West Side Partners / Community Representative
 - Meghan Stroshine - Associate Professor of Social and Cultural Sciences / Board Vice Chair & Faculty Representative

Others present:

 - Kevin Conway – Associate Director of University Communication
 - Edith Hudson – MUPD Chief of Police
 - Jeffrey Kranz – MUPD Assistant Chief of Police
 - Carrie Peters – MUPD Data Analytics Specialist
 - Ruth Peterson – MUPD Captain
3. **Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting** (Unanimous)
4. **Update on Crime Trends and Departmental Activities**
 - a. Crime Trend Statistics (Peters):

Marquette University Police Department January 1 through December 31, 2024/2025				
Crimes Reported:	2024		2025	
	MPD	MUPD	MPD	MUPD
Personal Crimes				
Homicide	0	0	0	0
Robbery	4	10	3	11
Theft from Person	0	0	0	1
Assault/Battery	3	137	4	140
Sexual Assault/Rape	0	9	1	11
Total:	7	156	8	163
	163		171	
Property Crimes				

Burglary	2	25	0	26
Thefts (inc. retail)	0	319	1	302
Motor Vehicle Thefts	2	95	1	41
Arson	0	3	0	3
Total:	4	442	2	372
	446		374	

Marquette University Police Department January 1 through January 31, 2025/2026				
Crimes Reported:	2025		2026	
	MPD	MUPD	MPD	MUPD
Personal Crimes				
Homicide	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	1	0	1
Theft from Person	0	0	0	0
Assault/Battery	0	11	0	2
Sexual Assault/Rape	0	3	0	0
Total:	0	15	0	3
	15		3	
Property Crimes				
Burglary	0	7	0	1
Thefts (inc. retail)	0	13	0	13
Motor Vehicle Thefts	0	5	0	1
Arson	0	1	0	0
Total:	0	26	0	15
	26		15	

- Increase in assault/battery numbers in 2025 likely reflects change in classification process; offenses previously classified as disorderly conduct may now be classified as assault/battery based on person's report of intimidation.

b. Recent Sexual Assault (Hudson & Kranz):

- The Department continues to devote significant resources to the investigation of the sexual assault of a student that occurred on February 18. This is an "all hands on deck" effort.
- The Department is aware of some inaccurate information on social media regarding the incident and the investigation, e.g., that the Department lacks sufficient experience for an investigation of this nature. In fact, the investigation is being led by a former

Milwaukee Police Department detective with sensitive crimes experience. Other investigators working on the case also have MPD experience with the investigation of major violent offenses.

- Offenses of this nature (i.e., a violent sexual assault perpetrated by a stranger) are very rare in the MUPD patrol zone, with none reported over the past several years. Again, though, because many MUPD officers and leaders have come from MPD, there is considerable experience in the Department with such offenses.
- The Department will be hosting a town hall meeting with students at the AMU on February 20 in order to hear from students, address questions, and share information.

c. Community Engagement (Peterson)

The Department has participated in a number of community engagement events and activities since the last Board meeting, including:

- “Coffee with a Cop” (5)
- Self-defense classes (2)
- Personal safety classes (2)
- Safety Night at AMU (Feb. 19), activities included, e.g., goggles that demonstrate effects of intoxication and appearance by Blue

d. Hiring (Peterson):

- 3 Police Officer vacancies
- 1 Public Safety Officer vacancy
- 1 Police Aide vacancy

Other developments:

- An intern has begun working with the Behavioral Health Unit.
- 2 officers have just recently graduated from the police academy.
- A current police aide is expected to begin at the academy in August.

5. **Public Comments:**

A Board member inquired about whether there were fewer problems with National Marquette Day celebrations this year than last. The number of hospitalizations for excessive intoxication were from about 15-18 last year to only one this year. The University provided several safer, no-alcohol options for students this year, and it is expected that these will be continued in future years.

6. **Other Business:** Next Quarterly Meeting scheduled for Friday, April 17, 2026, at 10:00AM at the MUPD offices.
7. **Adjournment:** 10:45AM

MINUTES OF Q2 2026 QUARTERLY MEETING
MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPARTMENT (MUPD) ADVISORY BOARD

April 17, 2026

Marquette University Police Department Headquarters
Secretary: Michael T. Flynn – Associate General Counsel

1. **Call to Order:** 10:00AM (quorum established)

2. **Roll Call of Advisory Board Members:** (present)

- Kevin Conway – Associate Director of University Communication
- Michael T. Flynn – Associate General Counsel
- Edith Hudson – MUPD Chief of Police
- Michelle Kasbohm – Associate Director, Career Center / Staff Representative
- Jeffrey Kranz – MUPD Assistant Chief of Police
- James Hensley – MUPD Lieutenant
- Michael O’Hear – Professor of Law / Board Chair
- Carrie Peters – MUPD Data Analytics Specialist
- Ruth Peterson – MUPD Captain
- Jacob Ricard – Marquette University Student Government representative
- Lindsey St. Arnold Bell – Near West Side Partners Community Representative
- Meghan Stroshine – Associate Professor of Social and Cultural Sciences / Board Vice Chair

3. **Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting** (Unanimous)

4. **Update on Crime Trends and Departmental Activities**

a. Crime Trend Statistics (Peters):

Marquette University Police Department January 1 through March 31, 2025 vs. 2026							
Crimes Reported:	2025			2026			%
	MPD	MUPD	2025 Total	MPD	MUPD	2026 Total	Change
Personal Crimes							
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	2	2	1	3	4	100%
Theft from Person	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Assault/Battery	0	37	37	1	17	18	-51%
Sexual Assault/Rape	0	3	3	0	7*	7	133%
Total:	0	42	42	2	27	29	-31%
Property Crimes							

Burglary	0	12	12	0	7	7	-42%
Thefts (inc. retail)	0	49	49	0	57	57	16%
Motor Vehicle Thefts	0	9	9	0	12	12	33%
Arson	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Total:	0	71	71	0	76	76	7%
*2 sexual assaults reported by Campus Security Authorities to MUPD were not investigated by police.							

Of note:

- MUPD recently clarified methodology for reporting Sexual Assault/Rape pursuant to the Clery Act, which may account for increased reporting from Title IX Office and Office of Residence Life.
- Of the 7 Sexual Assault/Rape reports last quarter, 3 occurred on campus, with 4 off-campus or at unidentified locations.
- Theft increase largely due to shoplifting.
- (Kranz) The identification and arrest of a suspect in the 02.18.26 Sexual Assault/Rape was accomplished after major effort by MUPD officers and staff, with the cooperation of community partners.

b. Notable Crime Incidents (Kranz):

1. Sendik's:
Mentally ill suspect attempted to ambush student outside of Sendik's. Student was unhurt. Suspect apprehended within two minutes by MUPD.
2. Gesu – marked increase in incidents since start of 2026, attributed to pre-services Sunday breakfasts frequented by unhoused individuals from the King Park area.
 - (i) 03.01.26 – suspect apprehended after breaking into Johnston Hall and stealing \$8,000 in audio-visual equipment which was fenced and not recovered.
 - (ii) 03.18.26 – mentally ill suspect apprehended after breaking into Gesu and destroying \$25,000 in church statues.
 - (iii) Suspect apprehended after stealing keys from Johnston Hall.
 - (iv) 04.05.26 – mentally ill suspect apprehended after breaking into Gesu with an axe (\$50,000 damage), carrying a rifle, intending to fire shots in order to attract media as an audience to describe his messages from God.
 - MUPD to form safety council with Gesu personnel and parishioners to identify measures to address concerns.

- c. Student Emergency Medical Services (Kranz)
 - Launched April 2026.
 - Provides additional layer of rapid first response to supplement (not replace) Fire Department and paramedic response.
 - Also checking/maintaining campus Narcan boxes and AED kits; providing First Aid instruction.
 - Current roster is 20, but expected to expand.
- d. Hiring (Peterson):
 - All Public Safety Officer openings filled.
 - 2 Dispatcher position currently open.
 - 2 Police Officer openings (although one expected to be filled when current MUPD Police Aide graduates from the Milwaukee Police Academy in May).
 - Two new civilian positions:
 - Behavioral Health Coordinator
 - Law Enforcement Community Safety Coordinator
- e. Sergeant Promotion Process Upgrade (Hensley)
 - Only one Sergeant promotion since 2020.
 - New six-phase process (including feedback to unsuccessful candidates) being implemented. Part of process involves assessment of candidates by outside reviewers from Brookfield Police Department, U.W. Madison Police Department, and Milwaukee Police Department.
- f. Advanced Crisis Communication and Tactics (ACCT) Training (Hensley) – MUPD chosen along with only two other police departments nationally to host ACCT training, which advances beyond current deescalation training.
- g. American Heart Association’s Go Red for Women 24-Hour Spin-a-Thon (Hudson) – MUPD participated on 03.25.2026 in honor of MUPD Officer Scott Metz who died last July of a cardiac event occurring during an off-duty mountain bike race.
- h. Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (Hudson) – MUPD and Northwest Side Partners awarded \$1,031,000 federal appropriation to be used to support public safety initiatives, including Behavioral Health Unit.

5. **Semi-Annual Report on Citizen Complaints (Peterson):**

- Citizen removed from Qdoba for repeatedly entering solely to recharge cell phone filed citizen complaint alleging (1) lack of reasonable suspicion, (2) lack of basis to detain, and (3) failure to investigate. Deemed “Unfounded” based upon review of body camera footage.

6. **Public Comments**

- MUSG Representative Jacob Ricard asked what more could be done to better inform students of crimes in the campus area. Chief Hudson noted MUPD is open to suggestions and further dialogue.

7. **Other Business:** None

8. **Adjournment:** 11:05AM