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Report on work of Canadian Association of Police Governance (CAPG)

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#### **BACKGROUND**

The Canadian Association of Police Governance is a national organization dedicated to excellence in police governance. Founded in 1989, it is the national voice of civilian oversight of municipal police. CAPG serves its members with training and networking opportunities, collaborates police services leaders and associations as well as federal, provincial and municipal governments. The Board of Directors of CAPG is made up of two members from each province (three from Ontario) as well as three First Nations members, all focused on governance of police services in their community. Each province proposes members who are elected for two-year terms at the annual general meeting in August.

Nova Scotia's two representatives are chosen and recommended by the NSAPG. Generally, one member represents Halifax or Sydney (the two largest commissions) and the other is from another municipal commission. Currently, Wayne Talbot, Deputy Mayor, Truro and Chair of the Truro Police Commission and Carole McDougall represent Nova Scotia on the national board.

#### **UPDATE**

Registration for two Governance Summits hosted by CAPG April 27 and late June is now open. The registration fee allows for 10 participants to attend virtually.

The April 27 session is a good opportunity to hear from police board executives across the country examining police governance and best practices including:

- Accountability
- Community and government engagement
- Evaluations
- Communication
- Orientation procedures
- Individual roles and responsibilities

The June Summit event is focused on developing appropriate policies.

Planning for the national conference is underway. It will be held virtually the last week of September 2021 and is hosted by the Ottawa Police Board. The theme is Reimagining Community Safety and Wellbeing. Speakers, panels and workshops are being confirmed.

#### **REMINDER**

The webinar series is available for all board members. A link will be sent for each session.

#### 2021 Sessions

April 29 NEW TITLE

Body worn cameras: Policy considerations with Erick Laming, University of Toronto

May

# **Privacy Issues & Technology in Policing**

with Teresa Scassa. University of Ottawa, Canada Research Chair in Information Law and Policy (TBC)

June

#### Manitoba Police Act Review & Recommendations

with Andrew Minor, Executive Director Manitoba Police Commission Rick Linden, University of Manitoba and Cal Corley, CSKA

July

# Municipal Council & Police Governance – Legal Boundaries, Guidelines & Ethics with *Glenn Christie (TBC)*

August

# **Tiered Policing in Canada**

with Dr. Dennis Cooler, former Executive Director of the Law Commission of Canada (TBC)

September

# Leadership and Decision Making in Policing

with Tullio Caputo and Tarah Hodgkinson (TBC)

October

# Shifting the RCMP to a Municipal Service – Lessons Learned on the Way

with Melissa Granum, Executive Director, Surrey Police Board (TBC)

November

Police Recruiting – Developing the most Effective Strategy for a Reflective Service Speaker to be announced

# December

Police Board Governance – A Primer to Brush up on your Basics with *Andrew Graham, Queen's University*