



City of Boston, Massachusetts

Office of Police Accountability and Transparency

**Evandro C. Carvalho, Executive Director**

## OPAT COMMISSION PUBLIC MEETING

### Minutes

Thursday, December 18, 2025 | 5:00 p.m.

In-Person Meeting | 2201 Washington Street Boston MA, 02119

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### Call to Order

The meeting of the Office of Police Accountability and Transparency (OPAT) Commission was called to order by Executive Director Evandro Carvalho at **5:29 p.m.**

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### **Members Present:**

Evandro Carvalho, Executive Director

Samuel Harold, Chair of the Civilian Review Board (CRB)

Anthony Fugate, Chair of the Internal Affairs Oversight Panel (IAOP)

OPAT Staff

(All Commission members were in attendance)

### Introduction

Director Carvalho provided an overview of OPAT's mission and purpose.

Director Carvalho discussed the **meeting agenda**, noting the following primary topics:

- Review & Approval of 10/30/2025 Public Session Minutes
- Executive Director's Report
- OPAT Updated Intake Form



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- Commissioner Cox Response Letters

Director Carvalho further noted individuals unable to attend the meeting in person could contact OPAT through the website or at the office located at 2201 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02119.

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### **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

Director Carvalho presented the October 30, 2025 meeting minutes.

#### **Motion to Approve Minutes as Presented**

- Moved by: Anthony Fugate
- Seconded by: Samuel Harold
- **Vote:** Anthony Fugate (yes) Samuel Harold (yes) Evandro Carvalho (yes)  
Motion unanimously approved.

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### **Director's Report and Administrative Updates**

Director Carvalho provided an overview of data, cases and findings from August–October 2025, followed by administrative updates:

- New Staff Welcome: Shonda Green, Director of Administration and Finance
- Announcement: Building capacity for interns moving into 2026
- New intake form additions
- Social Media
- FY2025 Annual Report - available on the OPAT website
- Priorities for FY26

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## **Discussion: BPD Commissioner Cox Response Letters**

The Commission discussed BPD Commissioner's December 4, 2025 letter responding to CRB correspondence. Members highlighted legal precedent and how OPAT's process should move forward legally and their concerns regarding modifications of CRB findings.

The Commission agreed that like BPD, OPAT too wants to ensure all powers and correspondence are in compliance with Massachusetts General Law. The Commission discussed the need for the public to read the Commissioner's letter and noted that it is encouraging to see dialogue occurring.

The Commission discussed Commissioner Cox' response letter to IAOP.

Director Carvalho invited the public to come to OPAT's office or to go to the website to review said letters and correspondence.

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## **Other Business**

None.

Director Carvalho complimented the Roxbury Defenders Unit for hosting its first annual community basketball tournament and congratulated OPAT's team for making it to the finals round.

Director Carvalho also acknowledged fellow Commissioners Anthony Fugate and Samuel Harold for all of their hard work in their roles as chair of the Internal Affairs Oversight Panel and Civilian Review Board.

## **Public Comment**

The Commission opened the floor for Public Comment, providing information on how attendees may submit comments and concerns to OPAT.

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## **Adjournment**

### **Motion to Adjourn:**

- Moved by: Evandro Carvalho
- Seconded by: Samuel Harold
- **Vote:** Anthony Fugate (yes) Evandro Carvalho (yes) Samuel Harold (yes)  
Motion unanimously passed.

**The meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.**

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Minutes prepared by: Office of Police Accountability and Transparency Staff

Submitted to: OPAT Commission for approval.