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Sonja Merchant Jones: Should I start counting to 10.
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Aprille Weron: I guess.
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Sonja Merchant Jones: Are we ready.
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Sonja Merchant Jones: Calvin, are we ready.
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JH Accountability Board: You're ready.
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Sonja Merchant Jones: Okay, so I guess I'll I guess I'll count to 10.
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Sonja Merchant Jones: All right. Welcome everyone to this year's annual
meeting of the Johns Hopkins Police Accountability Board.
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Sonja Merchant Jones: My name is Sonya Merchant Jones.

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Sonja Merchant Jones: as well as serving on the Board. I chair the Community Engagement Committee.

00:01:21.440 --> 00:01:29.920 Sonja Merchant Jones: your dedication to enhancing the safety and accountability within our community. I want you to know how deeply valued that is. 14 00:01:30.040 --> 00:01:36.019 Sonja Merchant Jones: and your presence, even in this virtual format, reflects your commitment. 15 00:01:37.141 --> 00:01:45.970 Sonja Merchant Jones: We have to take in mind safety and accountability within our community, and unfortunately, due to threats. Pardon me. 16 00:01:45.990 --> 00:01:49.269 Sonja Merchant Jones: due to threats aimed at disrupting our gathering. 17 00:01:49.350 --> 00:01:53.960 Sonja Merchant Jones: We had to pivot from an in-person meeting to an online format. 1 8 00:01:54.040 --> 00:02:08.040 Sonja Merchant Jones: And while this adjustment is regrettable for those who are looking forward to a face to face, as I said, the safety and security of all participants is a top priority. 19 00:02:08.320 --> 00:02:15.980 Sonja Merchant Jones: We are committed to conducting this meeting with the same level of transparency, engagement and thoroughness 2.0 00:02:16.140 --> 00:02:17.930 Sonja Merchant Jones: as we would in person. 00:02:18.000 --> 00:02:22.130 Sonja Merchant Jones: I want to thank you for your understanding and your flexibility. 22 00:02:22.300 --> 00:02:33.469 Sonja Merchant Jones: and tonight I ask that we work together to ensure a productive and impactful session, and with that said.

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Sonja Merchant Jones: I will turn it over to our administrative.

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Sonja Merchant Jones: person Amy Taylor, and she is going to
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Sonja Merchant Jones: take the roll call. Miss Taylor.
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Amy - JH Accountability Board: Good evening, everyone. So I've been asked
to also share what committees each board member is serving on as well.
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Amy - JH Accountability Board: April Warren.
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Aprille Weron: Present.
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Amy - JH Accountability Board: Okay. April serves on the community
Engagement Policy and Training Committee.
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Amy - JH Accountability Board: Atib Ahmed, Pere
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Amy - JH Accountability Board: Chyna Sinclair.
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Chyna Sinclair: Present.
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Amy - JH Accountability Board: China serves on the community engagement,
governance and data analysis Committee, Douglas, Duke Trematia.
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Amy - JH Accountability Board: Ed.
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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: Ping, back.
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Amy - JH Accountability Board: Happy.
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Aprille Weron: Okay.
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Amy - JH Accountability Board: One second. So Duke serves on the policy
review data analysis. Committee.
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Amy - JH Accountability Board: Ed Kengotpi.
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Amy - JH Accountability Board: Ed serves on the data analysis, governance
and Training Committee.
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Amy - JH Accountability Board: Elizabeth Hazel.
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Elizabeth Hazel: Present.
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Amy - JH Accountability Board: Elizabeth serves on the data analysis,
community engagement and policy review committee freed Williams, Mannion.
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Amy - JH Accountability Board: Jarell Bratcher.
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Aprille Weron: Doesn't.
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Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: Yeah, I'm here.
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Amy - JH Accountability Board: Darrell serves on the community
engagement, data, analysis, governance, policy, review and Training
Committee, Kamaria Hill, Kenyatta, Ricks.
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Amy - JH Accountability Board: Laura Rossi.
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Laura Rossi: Present.
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Amy - JH Accountability Board: Laura serves on the policy Review, data,
Analysis and Training Committee, Medu sub Romanian.
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00:04:53.630 --> 00:04:55.569
Amy - JH Accountability Board: Sonia Merchant, Jones.
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00:04:56.350 --> 00:04:57.410
Sonja Merchant Jones: Present.
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00:04:59.060 --> 00:05:06.159
Amy - JH Accountability Board: Miss Sonya Merchant-jones serves on the
community engagement and Governance Committee and Sam Johnson.
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00:05:08.710 --> 00:05:09.980
Amy - JH Accountability Board: Thank you. Everyone.
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Sonja Merchant Jones: I'll continue by introducing Ed. Kengathy, the
chair of the Johns Hopkins Police Accountability Board.
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Sonja Merchant Jones: Ed.
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Ed Kangethe: Good evening, everyone. Thank you, miss. On you.
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Ed Kangethe: I'm going to be brief. In my introduction of tonight's
moderator.
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Ed Kangethe: Miss Kenesha Martin is a nationally known police reform
advocate with
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Ed Kangethe: With local tiles to Baltimore, and has supported
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Ed Kangethe: the John Hawkers Police Accountability Board with her in with her insight since its inception.

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Ed Kangethe: So without further ado, I would like to introduce to everyone tonight the Moderator, Ms. Denisha Martin.

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Ganesha Martin: Good evening, everyone. I am so happy to be with you all this this evening. The 1st thing that I'm going to do is I'm going to address something that I think is the concern of the community, and certainly is important to this board, and that is the transition from an in-person meeting into us doing this virtually, I'm sure the Board at the appropriate time, if they want to, will express their deep.

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Ganesha Martin: deep disappointment, and not being able to be with everyone in person. We all agree, including myself, that the best way to do this work is is face to face, no matter what we're talking about what's going on. That's really the way you build community. That's the way you build relationships. But the other thing that this board has been very clear about

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Ganesha Martin: is that it does not intend to put anybody in harm's way. And while we 100% support

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Ganesha Martin: everyone's right to protest.

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Ganesha Martin: there were some indications that folks intended not only to protest, but to shut down the ability for people to communicate. And that's another thing that this Board has been clear about, and that I, 100% find important is that all voices be heard. And so we wanted to try and create a atmosphere in which all voices are heard.

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Ganesha Martin: with always continuing to try to figure out how to do something in person. So I'll probably say that a couple of times, just because we know it's the evening, and people have all sorts of things to be doing with their live children's food. And so people will be joining us at different times. Some people might ask those questions, and we can address it, or I just might do a little Psa every now and again, just to make sure that folks understand understand that piece. The other thing that

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Ganesha Martin: that the Board has agreed to is a a time limit on speaking. So we're gonna give everybody an a hour, an hour, a minute, and a half

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Ganesha Martin: to speak. I will say that the board had a very full agenda in which there were going to be presentations. There was gonna be a lot more to go on, but the Board made a decision to dispense

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Ganesha Martin: with that agenda, so that more time could be given, so voices could be heard. So, while a minute and a half may not sound like a lot of time. Our goal is to make sure that we can hear everybody at least one time before we circle around and have anybody else to speak 2 or 3 times, but the board is here to hear everybody's feedback. If there are questions or things that the

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Ganesha Martin: or folks representing Johns Hopkins feel like they need to address or want to address, they will do so. Otherwise. Please know that everybody's feedback

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Ganesha Martin: and comments are being taken down. For consideration.

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Ganesha Martin: And the last thing before we jump into

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Ganesha Martin: the actual feedback session of tonight. Every time we've had these meetings. I think all the way back to when we had meetings on the mou.

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Ganesha Martin: The community always wants to know and understand the oversight and accountability pieces of this work. And so Mr. Dan Harrington has been invited here tonight

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Ganesha Martin: to address those things, because as the Board has made clear they want to hear from you, but then, when they can, they want to give you answers. And so it was felt that he would be the best to kind of address. That that and give an overview about that process. So he's gonna

do that very briefly, and then we're going to jump into the feedback portion.

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Ganesha Martin: so I'll turn it over to you, Mr. Harrington.

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Daniel Harrington: Thank thank you very much, and and let me 1st express my gratitude to the Board

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Daniel Harrington: for inviting me here this evening, and and allowing me this opportunity to not only introduce myself.

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Daniel Harrington: but also introduce the public safety accountability unit. At least to give you a snapshot of what it is the unit was is how it's created and what it's created to do.

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Daniel Harrington: I'm am Daniel Harrington. I'm the executive director of the Public Safety Accountability unit

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Daniel Harrington: the. The 1st thing I would say about the Public Safety accountability unit or Psau

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Daniel Harrington: is that there was very much of an intention put into how it was created and how it was structured.

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Daniel Harrington: For example, I think one of the one of the most transparent or independent parts of the Psau is that we do not report to the Chief of Police for Johns Hopkins Police Department. We are outside outside the chain of command for the Public safety cluster within. Johns Hopkins. I report directly to

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Daniel Harrington: the chief auditor who works on the university and the healthcare system side.

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Daniel Harrington: And he has a direct line of communication to the board of trustees.

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Daniel Harrington: So they thought it was crucial

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Daniel Harrington: that this be structured differently than what you see in most

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Daniel Harrington: law enforcement agencies in which the internal affairs function of that agency is within the department, and and reports to a chief of police. This was very intentionally done not to not to do that, to give it that independence and autonomy, and really to make it make it

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Daniel Harrington: stand apart from, to be able to do the work that it needs to do in terms of citizens complaints that are received, and reviewing and assessing any use of force that may occur by Johns Hopkins, police officer.

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Daniel Harrington: The other thing I would mention that I think, is really

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Daniel Harrington: unique here is that the Psau, you know

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Daniel Harrington: it has its function, but it also it fits within a larger ecosystem of accountability. Within the State of Maryland, also in Baltimore. The one thing that is unique is that

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Daniel Harrington: while we do the investigation. We have no role in issuing discipline. We, we present the facts.

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Daniel Harrington: the decision to charge an officer and to go to, you know, the through the disciplinary process. We turn our investigation over to the Baltimore City Administrative Charging committee, and they're tasked with reviewing our investigation. They can request additional information. Send it back, for for more witness interviews more, whatever it is that they feel needs to be done.

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Daniel Harrington: but they ultimately have the final say on whether or not an officer is charged with, or the allegation is sustained, and then the recommendation for discipline gets issued. So it further removes

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Daniel Harrington: that that accountability piece. There's another layer to it than just my unit within. Hopkins saying, yes, this officer did this, and this is what we think they should get. It's it's completely removed from the Hopkins

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Daniel Harrington: orbit and and put before this administrative charging committee.

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Daniel Harrington: There's also the Civilian Review Board which can investigate 5 different kinds. They're they're authorized by law to investigate 5 different types of complaints

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Daniel Harrington: against officers. And if we get that type type of complaint comes in solely to us, we have to share that with the Civilian Review Board, so that they can handle that.

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Daniel Harrington: They also have the Police Accountability Board, which is an Advisory board.

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Daniel Harrington: But it also is another mechanism for citizens to file complaints. If they don't feel comfortable coming to Hopkins or to the Hopkins police department. They can go to the pab, the Police Accountability board.

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Daniel Harrington: and I think also, I, you know, be remiss. If I didn't mention

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Daniel Harrington: how the Jhab Accountability Board also is part of that ecosystem in terms of being able to review the metrics of of the the police department and working on policy and and training. So I think

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Daniel Harrington: there is a multi-pronged approach to ensuring accountability of the Hopkins Police department, and the Psau is a large part of that, as you can tell from what I've already already explained.

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Daniel Harrington: I will also include in the chat. I will include

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Daniel Harrington: the email address for the Public Safety Accountability unit. So if there's any additional questions anyone may have or follow up that they want done. I'll be more than happy to, to, you know. Be contacted, or reach out and answer your questions.

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Daniel Harrington: I will also put in the chat. There's a link to the Public Safety website, which

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Daniel Harrington: sort of has more information. And and

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Daniel Harrington: the public can go to that website and read about the public Safety accountability unit. There's also a link for them to file a complaint directly on that on that website. So I'll put that information in the chat as well.

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Daniel Harrington: and I will stay here till the end, in case there's any questions or any follow up that that anyone has in reference to to my work, and and with that I turn it back over to to the Moderator, and and again thank you for your time.

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Ganesha Martin: So thank you for that. And I am looking in the chat. There's already quite a few questions. I have a feeling there, a lot of them are going to be $\frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n}$

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Ganesha Martin: for you.

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Ganesha Martin: And so I I am be being reminded by our tech folks that if you want to speak. Just raise your hand.

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Ganesha Martin: But I think they're gonna call in the 1st question.
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JH Accountability Board: Alright. The 1st person is Marie Locke.
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Marie Loch: 1st quit your jobs. We boycott your San Pab meeting. You are
now listening to our people's accountability meeting
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Marie Loch: that there can be any accountability for a private police.
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Marie Loch: We reject that. Please keep our faith.
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Marie Loch: We reject that you are power
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Marie Loch: situation, because your existence provides critical
legislative support for the Jpd to exist.
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Marie Loch: We demand that you resign effective immediately, and from
here on
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Marie Loch: we will treat you now differently at our go to the TV
themselves, to remain
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Marie Loch: through the active suppression of thousands of students and
community members.
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Marie Loch: Your name will forever be tied to the violence of police.
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Marie Loch: He, A. B. Quit your job.
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Marie Loch: We know you work for the cops. We know you.
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JH Accountability Board: Okay, where you're going.
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Marie Loch: To mute Marie. The next person up is Nora Mchugh.
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Marie Loch: Before?
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Marie Loch: Okay, that you're off.
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Nora Miku: Just turn your audio on as an alum of Jhu.
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Nora Miku: It is incredibly frustrating to see the university forced
through and unilaterally impose a militarized police presence on our
community
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Nora Miku: that will directly harm regular working people. As a medical
student here we're constantly told about the importance of evidence-based
practices, but it is clear that the University only follows this advice
when it's convenient to their narrative or to their pocket.
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Nora Miku: they refuse to acknowledge the evidence that policing simply
does not solve the challenges the University claims. It is trying to fix
the people of our East Baltimore community and the surrounding Homewood
community
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Nora Miku: know that increasing. The number of police officers.
Patrolling and surveilling them is not what keeps us safe.
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Nora Miku: and for many of us it actively puts us at greater risk. But
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the University doesn't seem to care.

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Nora Miku: We have to think about why this is being done, safety and security for who

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Nora Miku: Dons Hopkins has once again decided that they are willing to sacrifice the safety, health, and well-being of working class people in Baltimore in order to further their own ends. In corporate academia, President Daniels finds it completely acceptable to sacrifice black and brown Baltimore residents encroaching on homes and neighborhoods with a militarized occupying force as long as it makes the wealthy academics attracted to this institution more comfortable their illusory feeling.

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Nora Miku: Thank you, Nora, thank you, Nora. That was an.

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Ganesha Martin: I have.

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JH Accountability Board: April Ma.

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April Ma: Okay.

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April Ma: Hi, excuse me, I'm a new student at Johns Hopkins, and I heard this board is supposed to keep the police accountable. I think that means that sounds really good on paper, and that we could have a tangible restraint on policing, especially given the history of continued occurrence of police brutality from slave catching patrols to the murder of Donald Donnell Rochester. 2 years ago

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April Ma: last meeting, I distinctly recalled that a lot of community members were commenting and criticizing you all about the fact that the Hopkins private police force was undemocratic and deliberately ignored the larger community's opinion.

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April Ma: The Board members responses were actually really petty, and instead of addressing the grievances of the community members who were objecting to the police force, you all, instead, pointed to some invisible, silent majority that was in favor. I have 3 things to say about this.

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April Ma: First, st if this is the stance of the Accountability Board
that you will accede to the silent majority instead of attending to the
outspoken majority. Then you're replicating a tyranny that suppresses any
type of civil dissent, and that anyone who disagrees with you so long as
they're less than 49% should just shut up and take it. Second, it's not
true that the majority of Baltimore supports the Jhpd. After the last
meeting I fact checked you all.
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April Ma: During that time the formation of the police was still under
debate. Campus consensus among graduates and undergraduates was staunchly
against the formation of the Jhpd. The student governments of both
undergraduates and graduate workers voted in sweeping majorities against
the police.
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April Ma: Even the faculty.
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Ganesha Martin: April, April. Thank you so much for your.
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April Ma: 20 min.
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Ganesha Martin: That was it.
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April Ma: And that was emitted in 30 seconds.
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JH Accountability Board: Next up is Justin Otter.
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Justin Otter: Hello! Can you all hear me?
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JH Accountability Board: Yes.
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Justin Otter: Yesterday.
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Justin Otter: Sorry that surveillance and over policing already bring to the city this so-called Police Accountability Board has demonstrated its cowardice once again by moving meetings online in order to censor the voices of students and community members seeking to express their discontent with the Jhpd project while hiding behind false appeals to safety threats. They blatantly disregard their professed democratic values and ignore the will of the entire community that they are meant to serve.

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Justin Otter: They hope that you hope that you can just wait us out that once Jhpd is fully established that people will give up and just accept it.

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Justin Otter: You want us to normalize this violent intrusion into our lives. But I want each and every person on the Accountability Board to understand that we are not going anywhere, and if you have any respect for yourselves or any genuine concern for the community. You will resign from your position and join the people in opposing this dangerous police project.

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Ganesha Martin: Thank you. Justin.

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JH Accountability Board: Next up is Suzanne Roos.

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JH Accountability Board: Rose.

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Suzanne Roos: Hello, there! I'm a Hopkins faculty member and a longtime resident of Charles village, and live just outside the patrol boundaries of the Homewood campus.

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Suzanne Roos: the Vice President for public safety. Dr. Branville Bard announced in an email to the Hopkins community recently that additional security cameras had been installed. It appears that these are large binocular telescope cameras.

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Suzanne Roos: While there is a policy operational procedure number 433, stipulating in detail how body worn cameras may and may not be used as of now. There do not appear to be any written policies restricting the use that can be made of these new Security cameras. There need to be restrictions. There need to be explicitly stated restrictions.

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00:23:07.550 --> 00:23:16.980

Suzanne Roos: Even if the Jhu Police department is making the argument that the cameras belong to Hopkins public safety rather than to the Jhu. Pd.

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00:23:17.130 --> 00:23:43.010

Suzanne Roos: I'm especially concerned about the fact that whatever prompted public safety to install the security cameras in the 1st place, it does seem likely that they could be used in the future for surveillance of protesters from the accounts I've heard of when people 1st saw them, the new binocular cameras appear to have been installed just before October 7th of this year, at a time when the Administration might have expected to see demonstrations

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00:23:43.080 --> 00:23:47.029

Suzanne Roos: in particular, there needs to be an explicit policy.

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00:23:47.850 --> 00:23:52.469

Ganesha Martin: Suzanne. Thank you so much. That was a minute and a half. I appreciate your feedback on that.

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00:23:57.703 --> 00:24:02.540

JH Accountability Board: With some, and I do not want to destroy their last name.

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00:24:03.030 --> 00:24:10.259

Wisam Awadallah: No worries. Yeah. Actually, I have a question. I if you plan on answering these for a particular member of the board, can you can. You guys hear me?

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00:24:10.920 --> 00:24:11.720 Ganesha Martin: Yes. Yes.

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00:24:11.720 --> 00:24:12.370

Ganesha Martin: Sorry.

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00:24:13.020 --> 00:24:28.279

Wisam Awadallah: Yeah. You claim to be an accountability board and representing the interest of the public. My question is for Jarrell,

actually, during your governance meeting before you had that made the cowardly decision in contravention of the Open meetings. Act

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00:24:29.128 --> 00:24:33.881

Wisam Awadallah: to make this a webinar. You commented on how

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00:24:34.570 --> 00:24:43.600

Wisam Awadallah: these meetings and these public meetings could serve as a recruitment tool for the Jhcd. And this is a fringe benefit of this group

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00:24:43.750 --> 00:24:55.349

Wisam Awadallah: and these meetings. I just wanted, I guess, to ask, do you not understand how fucking dumb that is? And or do you need me to explain it to you?

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00:24:56.240 --> 00:25:02.070

Ganesha Martin: So. Jarell. Obviously you have the right to respond. But I do think that we

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00:25:02.514 --> 00:25:17.509

Ganesha Martin: should refrain from folks cursing and calling people out of their names and things of that nature. So, as the moderator, I would dismiss that question and and move to the next one, we're just not going to tolerate

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00:25:17.540 --> 00:25:20.380

Ganesha Martin: folks calling people out of their names.

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00:25:20.945 --> 00:25:24.199

Ganesha Martin: But we we appreciate you showing up.

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00:25:24.290 --> 00:25:26.400

Ganesha Martin: Let's go to the next question.

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00:25:28.310 --> 00:25:29.070

JH Accountability Board: Bianca.

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00:25:29.903 --> 00:25:31.450

Bianca Delmara: Thank you.

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00:25:33.940 --> 00:25:35.349

Bianca Delmara: Hello! Can you hear me?

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00:25:36.860 --> 00:25:38.010
Ganesha Martin: Yes, we can.
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00:25:38.230 --> 00:25:43.090
Bianca Delmara: First.st I would like to actually for you to respond to
the previous question.
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00:25:43.666 --> 00:25:47.049
Bianca Delmara: But I will also ask a separate one myself.
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00:25:47.360 --> 00:25:50.940
Ganesha Martin: I'm an alumni of Bay blue and a member of the community.
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00:25:51.010 --> 00:26:01.779
Bianca Delmara: Last meeting. I wanted to speak with you, but you did not
want to listen. You moved a community meeting online saying we were just
too scary and too dangerous to face.
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00:26:02.090 --> 00:26:14.150
Bianca Delmara: When we asked about how you would, as a police
accountability board hold the Jhtv. Accountable, you responded, and I
quote. Well, our work is actually advisory.
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00:26:14.490 --> 00:26:26.940
Bianca Delmara: You recognize that you're only an advisory board. So
today I ask you, what will you advise when the Jhpd inevitably targets,
brutalizes, and terrorizes our communities.
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00:26:27.060 --> 00:26:32.239
Bianca Delmara: What will you recommend when they point a gun to our head
during a mental health crisis?
00:26:33.010 --> 00:26:35.790
Bianca Delmara: They tase and hospitalize us because
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00:26:35.970 --> 00:26:39.220
Bianca Delmara: we don't look like we belong on the Hopkins property.
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00:26:39.590 --> 00:26:45.230
Bianca Delmara: What policy tweak suggestions will you make when a
traffic stop turns lethal?
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00:26:45.390 --> 00:26:48.579
Bianca Delmara: Or will you simply repeat what you told us last meeting.
00:26:48.720 --> 00:26:55.059
Bianca Delmara: that the community is too dangerous. We're too scary, and
maybe we just deserved it
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00:26:55.370 --> 00:27:00.599
Bianca Delmara: today. Once again, you can't even face the community that
you're accountable for.
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00:27:01.070 --> 00:27:05.680
Bianca Delmara: You have not faced us once you dismissed every one of our
concerns.
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00:27:07.340 --> 00:27:16.180
Bianca Delmara: time that we're allowed minority, but we are here where
many we are the community, and we say No. Pd.
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00:27:17.110 --> 00:27:19.970
Ganesha Martin: Thank you, Bianca. We appreciate you.
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00:27:24.460 --> 00:27:26.359
JH Accountability Board: Let's go to. I was
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00:27:26.360 --> 00:27:32.050
JH Accountability Board: well, let me let me ask this question. I saw you
had your hand up. Is there something you wanted to share.
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00:27:32.240 --> 00:27:35.548
Sonja Merchant Jones: Yeah, I I really do.
00:27:37.000 --> 00:27:51.040
Sonja Merchant Jones: I 1st of all, I don't represent Hopkins. I don't
even represent the viewpoints of anyone else on this board. But I I'm
listening. Because I am concerned about
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00:27:51.040 --> 00:27:51.360
Sonja Merchant Jones: okay.
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00:27:51.360 --> 00:27:52.830
Sonja Merchant Jones: I'm sorry.
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00:27:55.890 --> 00:27:57.180
Mark Penny: Oh, yes, you could go.
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00:27:58.240 --> 00:28:03.020
Sonja Merchant Jones: Okay, I and I am concerned but I but I wanna say
this.
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00:28:03.150 --> 00:28:07.780
Sonja Merchant Jones: The very things that we've heard up to now is the
reason.
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00:28:07.780 --> 00:28:11.299
Mark Penny: Can everyone hear me. Yeah, okay.
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00:28:11.300 --> 00:28:12.220
Sonja Merchant Jones: Am, I am, I am I.
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00:28:12.220 --> 00:28:14.260
Mark Penny: I want to talk about the real problems.
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00:28:14.260 --> 00:28:14.820
Sonja Merchant Jones: Hello!
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00:28:14.820 --> 00:28:15.430
Mark Penny: Like that.
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00:28:15.840 --> 00:28:17.610
Sonja Merchant Jones: Hello! Hello!
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00:28:17.820 --> 00:28:19.480
JH Accountability Board: Go ahead! Go ahead! Ms.
00:28:19.480 --> 00:28:24.570
Sonja Merchant Jones: And thank you. I I want to to again say that
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00:28:25.950 --> 00:28:29.629
Sonja Merchant Jones: the very reason from the things that we see tonight
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00:28:30.270 --> 00:28:36.289
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Sonja Merchant Jones: I can understand how people feel. But this is a conversation, not a shouting match.

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00:28:36.830 --> 00:28:46.060

Sonja Merchant Jones: and we're not gonna get anything done. If that's the way this is going to proceed speculation

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00:28:46.230 --> 00:28:52.870

Sonja Merchant Jones: visions for the future. It very well could be the opposite of what's being said, because

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Sonja Merchant Jones: this is also one sided. This is why people who do support the Johns Hopkins.

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Sonja Merchant Jones: police department don't come out and speak up. Nobody said. You're scary, because I surely have never been afraid to talk to anyone out in public. If you talk to me.

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Sonja Merchant Jones: if you don't talk to me, I have a problem with that. I'm not hiding behind anything.

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Sonja Merchant Jones: I think that to have an adult conversation.

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00:29:20.694 --> 00:29:22.879

Sonja Merchant Jones: Could bridge the gap, even if

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Sonja Merchant Jones: you don't agree, you have come to be disruptive and not listen to anything, and and put your ideas as ours.

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Sonja Merchant Jones: and I I find that to be unfair, which is why I wanted to be face to face. I always wanted to be face to face. All of us want to be face to face, but because

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00:29:44.180 --> 00:29:53.770

Sonja Merchant Jones: we received death threats, we err on the side of caution, and we want everyone to be safe, including

00:29:53.850 --> 00:30:17.619 Sonja Merchant Jones: you all who are against the police department. We don't want no smoke. I'm gonna just tell you I'm a girl from Baltimore all day long, and I don't want any but to hear people say the things that they're saying and it it's not happened, and it very well could, may not ever happen, I think, is unfair. So I'm asking, put someone on to the mic 235 00:30:17.620 --> 00:30:36.200 Sonja Merchant Jones: who wants to have a real conversation. The shouting and the screaming, as far as I'm concerned, is unacceptable, and even I as the chair. And I'll say what I said of this engagement committee, I said that this is the very reason 236 00:30:36.270 --> 00:30:46.429 Sonja Merchant Jones: we don't meet face to face, because, if I assure you, if I screamed at you use profanity toward you, you would have an issue with that. 237 00:30:46.820 --> 00:30:51.729 Sonja Merchant Jones: I'm not afraid of anybody, and I yield back to the moderator. Thank you so much. 00:30:53.530 --> 00:30:56.099 Ganesha Martin: That Miss Sonia Mark. Go ahead. 239 00:30:56.120 --> 00:30:57.260 JH Accountability Board: Mark Penny. 240 00:31:02.870 --> 00:31:05.290 Mark Penny: Okay. I'm good to go now. 241 00:31:05.670 --> 00:31:06.709 JH Accountability Board: Yes, you are. 00:31:08.120 --> 00:31:09.159 Mark Penny: Thank you for that. 243 00:31:11.470 --> 00:31:15.869 Mark Penny: I hear that death threats are something that y'all are worried about.

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Mark Penny: I'm here because I'm worried about the people that are already dead because of police brutality and police violence.

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Mark Penny: I'm here because, as young people we've witnessed
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Mark Penny: especially over the last year, especially in Baltimore
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00:31:29.720 --> 00:31:32.180
Mark Penny: that we are the only people that can keep us safe.
00:31:32.670 --> 00:31:38.029
Mark Penny: and I am feeling, and I think I am being seen in this year.
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00:31:39.390 --> 00:31:51.889
Mark Penny: We do not feel safe with more police in our community, just
as you clearly don't feel safe having an in-person meeting. And so I'm
wondering if we want to have a conversation. I would love to hear why
you're so terrified
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00:31:51.910 --> 00:31:57.989
Mark Penny: of having some kind of accountability that you won't just do
it in the 1st place, so we don't have to do all of these steps.
00:31:58.750 --> 00:32:00.160
Mark Penny: What are you so scared of?
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00:32:00.210 --> 00:32:02.630
Mark Penny: Because we're not scared. We're here to stand for each other.
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00:32:02.630 --> 00:32:04.150
Sonja Merchant Jones: I can answer that.
00:32:08.240 --> 00:32:09.450
Ganesha Martin: Hi, Miss Sonya.
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00:32:09.450 --> 00:32:15.790
Sonja Merchant Jones: I think using the word terrified is is misplaced. I
don't think anyone he is terrified
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00:32:15.990 \longrightarrow 00:32:21.750
Sonja Merchant Jones: again. We can't go back and forth with
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00:32:21.960 --> 00:32:26.949

Sonja Merchant Jones: and trying to to reach an understanding. Even if we don't compromise.

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00:32:26.970 --> 00:32:32.199

Sonja Merchant Jones: It is very difficult to have a conversation when

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00:32:32.705 --> 00:32:37.590

Sonja Merchant Jones: it is, it is stated over and over again what you don't want.

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Sonja Merchant Jones: We didn't say we had death threats. We said it was a threat, and I think those threats are to be disruptive now. No one wants to get in the middle

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00:32:47.060 --> 00:33:10.160

Sonja Merchant Jones: of that, you know who we are, but we don't know who you are. At least I'll speak. For myself, I don't know who you are, and I care for every single member on the board and everyone in the community, and so we err on the side of caution. So I want to take that power away from you. When you say that we don't want to meet face to face.

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00:33:10.622 --> 00:33:28.669

Sonja Merchant Jones: We mapped out a plan. You you don't allude to the fact that when we had the engagement committee and it was online for anyone to attend and listen to. We mapped out everything that we wanted to do face to face, and sure enough, as soon as we got close to face to face engagement.

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00:33:28.690 --> 00:33:32.949

Sonja Merchant Jones: we get a threat. And so I think it's deliberate.

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00:33:33.120 --> 00:33:40.369

Sonja Merchant Jones: And so again, we're not going to go up against that because we don't want anybody hurt on either side.

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Sonja Merchant Jones: and I'll take away your power again in terms of saying that we're terrified

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00:33:45.730 --> 00:34:04.610

Sonja Merchant Jones: again with people dying in the street, living in this city all my life. The black woman that I am, with 2 black sons.

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Don't tell me that I don't care. I do. But I work with this Police
Accountability board. I work with them. I don't work, I don't work for
them.
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00:34:04.660 --> 00:34:14.789
Sonja Merchant Jones: I don't get paid to do what I do. I stepped up
because I wanted to see for myself, because I'm not a girl to listen to
what people tell me.
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00:34:14.889 --> 00:34:20.699
Sonja Merchant Jones: I listen and make decisions based on what I
see, something that you
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00:34:20.739 --> 00:34:30.549
Sonja Merchant Jones: don't want to do, because you might find that what
you're saying is so untrue. I yield back to you, Miss Martin.
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00:34:31.590 --> 00:34:33.430
Ganesha Martin: Thank you, Miss Sonia.
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00:34:34.251 --> 00:34:37.550
Ganesha Martin: Is there someone in the queue? Okay?
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00:34:37.929 --> 00:34:38.959
Ganesha Martin: Oh, looks like.
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00:34:38.969 --> 00:34:40.039
JH Accountability Board: You're ready.
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00:34:47.040 --> 00:34:48.580
Aprille Weron: We can't hear you.
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00:34:54.730 --> 00:34:56.899
JH Accountability Board: No, Sophia, so we'll go to Ben.
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00:34:56.900 --> 00:34:57.750
Sophia Baleeiro: Can you hear me?
00:34:57.750 --> 00:34:58.780
JH Accountability Board: Oh, there you go!
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00:35:01.170 --> 00:35:06.210

Sophia Baleeiro: I just wanted to say, since having this conversation

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Sophia Baleeiro: Miss Jones has been speaking for more than 90 seconds. So I just want to make sure we have that clear

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Sophia Baleeiro: also echoing what other people have said. We don't feel safe with more police.

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Sophia Baleeiro: with police brutality and violence being extremely high every single year, and people continually having their communities destroyed because of it.

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00:35:30.180 --> 00:35:34.200

Sophia Baleeiro: It doesn't make sense to continue perpetuating the problem

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Sophia Baleeiro: that doesn't need to exist anyway, community resolutions need to be put in place. Community accountability needs to be put in place, having people with guns that can take our lives in a second just for trying to get help? Is not the answer that doesn't make any kind of sense for people that actually want to live securely and have safety in their own homes, with their friends and their families, just to live their lives.

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00:35:58.040 --> 00:36:17.039

Sophia Baleeiro: Having a private police force just seems like flexing that ability to continue suppressing us and continue terrorizing us, which no one deserves. No one should have to live in that kind of fear when they're just trying to get their education, or just trying to make it through their day with all the other problems that they have going on. Anyway, that makes no sense to me.

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00:36:17.110 --> 00:36:20.399

Sophia Baleeiro: and I feel like we should put this whole meeting into question.

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00:36:20.510 --> 00:36:24.409

Sophia Baleeiro: If the idea is that more police will be helpful.

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00:36:24.740 --> 00:36:26.860

Sophia Baleeiro: just having more scrutiny on them

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00:36:27.100 --> 00:36:30.599
Sophia Baleeiro: as they're continuing to kill us over and over again.
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00:36:30.960 --> 00:36:37.539
Sophia Baleeiro: It doesn't make sense. We need to consider that and
continue to call out this sham of the meeting.
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00:36:37.560 --> 00:36:40.200
Ganesha Martin: That again. It doesn't make sense that it's unnecessary.
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00:36:40.200 --> 00:36:40.750
Ganesha Martin: Thank you. So.
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00:36:40.750 --> 00:36:41.180
Sophia Baleeiro: Warning, the.
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00:36:41.180 --> 00:36:42.580
Ganesha Martin: Thank you, Sophia.
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00:36:42.800 --> 00:36:51.580
Ganesha Martin: We appreciate you coming on just to clarify I. The folks
that are speaking will get it a minute and a half, but because
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00:36:52.065 --> 00:37:05.139
Ganesha Martin: the board is here to respond as appropriate. I'm not
going to limit their ability to respond to to folks. So I just wanted to
clarify that piece.
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00:37:05.484 --> 00:37:05.830
Sonja Merchant Jones: Got.
00:37:05.830 --> 00:37:06.340
Ganesha Martin: Okay. I'm just.
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00:37:06.340 --> 00:37:09.170
JH Accountability Board: So go okay.
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00:37:10.450 --> 00:37:12.430
JH Accountability Board: Can you do it after Ben Anderson.
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Ben Andreesen: Hello!

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00:37:16.000 --> 00:37:22.839

Ben Andreesen: Great I'm gonna be quite honest with you all here. I am ashamed to be associated with this institution

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Ben Andreesen: time and time again, because people in positions of power at Johns Hopkins fail to live up to the responsibility that they have to leverage their power to protect those who have been harmed

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Ben Andreesen: by this institution. This institution continues to parrot platitudes about diversity, equity, inclusion, commitment to our communities honoring the democratic principles. But where is any of this. In practice.

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Ben Andreesen: We all saw how the Jhpd was shoved through the legislative session, using hundreds of thousands of dollars against the wishes of everyone.

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Ben Andreesen: We also have. Hopkins postponed the rollout of the Jhpd. Because of intense community student and worker dissent only to return it full force a few years later, with no accountability. And now we're seeing a rollout of intense surveillance structures, new Draconian policies, limiting protests. All of this is supposed to encourage us to think that Hopkins is not going to abuse its power with an armed police force. In what world like do you guys think we're stupid or something?

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Ben Andreesen: The behavior of this board continues this deeply troubling pattern. Every time this board meets the meeting is not announced in common channels that are accessible to everyone who might want to attend. Every time the board meets the meeting is moved to a virtual format at the last minute. At no point during any of these supposed accountability meetings

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00:38:44.890 --> 00:38:55.820

Ben Andreesen: have legitimate questions been answered, questions whose answers have material and life and death impact? Who is armed? When are they allowed to use their weapons? Where are they allowed to police? Who do they.

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00:38:55.820 --> 00:38:58.499
Ganesha Martin: Thank you. I'm sorry. I don't think your name. I don't
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00:38:58.570 --> 00:39:01.849
Ganesha Martin: thank you, Ben, and thank you for your
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00:39:01.930 --> 00:39:04.429
Ganesha Martin: feedback and and I and I
00:39:04.480 --> 00:39:06.229
Ganesha Martin: oh, go ahead, Miss Miss Sonya.
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00:39:06.460 --> 00:39:18.440
Sonja Merchant Jones: I feel like we do. We have to address some of this.
I would have gladly, as I said we would have. We would have all gladly
been in person to continue to say that
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00:39:18.640 --> 00:39:20.820
Sonja Merchant Jones: at the very last minute
00:39:21.307 --> 00:39:33.199
Sonja Merchant Jones: we do this. No, at the very last minute we receive
threats that the meeting would be disruptive, so we probably wouldn't
have an exchange anyway, because I don't think people really want to know
from me a community member
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00:39:33.470 --> 00:39:36.480
Sonja Merchant Jones: what's going on, and and what I see
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00:39:36.640 --> 00:39:45.360
Sonja Merchant Jones: and what I know to be a fact. And I'll just simply
say this police department is doing something that has never been done
before.
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00:39:45.450 --> 00:39:53.119
Sonja Merchant Jones: They have brought in community, they have brought
in faculty, they have brought in staff, they have brought in students.
Some of us
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00:39:53.420 --> 00:40:07.170
Sonja Merchant Jones: believe in this police department and what it
brings positively to the city of Baltimore, and some are skeptical, and
some just don't want it. And yet we work together
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Sonja Merchant Jones: to reach best practices, the best practices possible. The private police force is private, and I think in someone, please jump in and tell me if I'm going the wrong way. But the only private thing about the police force is that

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Sonja Merchant Jones: it it doesn't take public money.

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00:40:27.060 --> 00:40:30.660

Sonja Merchant Jones: I say, that's a great thing. They take private money.

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00:40:30.820 --> 00:40:44.609

Sonja Merchant Jones: and so I just don't understand this thing with the a private armed force giving the false narrative. Check me if I'm wrong that they can do what they want when they want

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00:40:44.630 --> 00:40:53.639

Sonja Merchant Jones: any any way that they want, and that is simply not the truth, not the truth at all. And so when you put that negative narrative out

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00:40:54.078 --> 00:41:04.489

Sonja Merchant Jones: and you don't engage in conversation in terms of what we're doing. Read the policies, or you just don't trust because of things that have happened all over.

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00:41:05.061 --> 00:41:15.980

Sonja Merchant Jones: I I again say, I have lived this life with all these things, the 2 sons that I have that have never done anything to make me hang my head. I worry for them

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00:41:16.348 --> 00:41:33.900

Sonja Merchant Jones: like people worry for themselves. But to say that the officers are going to come into your house. They're going to put guns to your head. I just don't know where that comes from, and I do believe in myself as a community person, that it's just a false

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00:41:33.990 --> 00:41:43.229

Sonja Merchant Jones: narrative. It's a scare tactic from those who have issues with Hopkins. For whatever your reasons are.

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Sonja Merchant Jones: I just want to say it would be wonderful if we would stop looking back at the things of the past again. I've lived in the city my whole life. I could tell you all about that, and why I wanted to be a part of this Accountability Board, because I wanted to know things for myself, but you consistently allude to the past.

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Sonja Merchant Jones: and you don't want to know anything of what we're doing presently.

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Sonja Merchant Jones: And you certainly are not looking toward the future. And so I I don't. I don't. And I want to give. I want to give people an opportunity

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00:42:20.280 --> 00:42:21.980 Sonja Merchant Jones: to to prove

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Sonja Merchant Jones: things to be wrong. But but I just haven't seen that I've seen the hard work that everyone when this

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00:42:29.530 --> 00:42:41.090

Sonja Merchant Jones: on this accountability board has put in, whether they like it, whether they don't, whether they love it. And I do have to answer that because it's unfair

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Sonja Merchant Jones: to everyone that I know, and have come to be very fond of, as I've gotten to know people through the years who have worked on this.

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Sonja Merchant Jones: And and I would certainly appreciate. If people would talk to us

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Sonja Merchant Jones: and not add us and stick to the facts. If you're gonna say those things.

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Sonja Merchant Jones: please bring the facts with that, and and I. I'd ask Miss Martin to even extend it beyond a minute and a half if you come factual, and if you come to speak with us like you want us to speak to you. I'm sorry, Miss Martin, but I I just had.

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Ganesha Martin: It's okay, and I appreciate it, Miss Sonia, and I appreciate you know you speaking to the community directly, particularly from your perspective. there are folks that the way that they choose to protest, and the way that they choose to show their displeasure is a very organized way of having people continuously speak from talking points

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Ganesha Martin: at you, and yelling and screaming. And so while I while I, while while we can make those requests, and I certainly respect it. Everybody does not show up in that way, and they're probably not going to show up in this way tonight. So what I

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Ganesha Martin: I what I hope we can do is that we can get to some folks who have questions and

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Ganesha Martin: want to address because then this one.

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00:44:06.710 --> 00:44:17.630

Ganesha Martin: So we'll we'll we'll keep trying but we're gonna call some more people. You're welcome. We're gonna call some more people in so that we can make sure to hear all the voices, so do we have the next.

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JH Accountability Board: Yes, Nicole Rivas.

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Nicole Rivas: Hi, I just wanna say, Sonia, you did take up a lot of time again. And you did say that you didn't want this to be a back and forth. And yet you've gone back and forth 3 times. Now

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Nicole Rivas: I just want to make us aware that we should.

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Nicole Rivas: Community voices, which is what we are, and I'm going to.

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Nicole Rivas: But let let's 4 min.

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Nicole Rivas: I would also like to say that the statistic you didn't give any statistics to say that there's community support for the Jhpd.

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Nicole Rivas: As was mentioned before, there was community votes among students, grad students, faculty and the neighborhood communities, and they were all against the Jhpd. Yet it was formed. So we can pretty much say that the Jhpd was formed anti-democratically. It's almost stupidly easy to be able to say that I'm curious. What is the purpose of the Accountability Board?

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Nicole Rivas: The police and its creators have no interest in our opinions, and you don't either. In theory the police are accountable to us. You are accountable to us every time the committee members speak out against the police to you, instead of giving them a solution, assuaging them, or making promises, or even acknowledging them. You're interested in defending their existence like you just did for 2 min.

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Nicole Rivas: So clearly, you're more accountable to the police, and you look like you're paid public relations, employees for them. What's funny is that you can't even face the public. I was looking forward to asking you my questions in person. And yet you've moved online and hid behind a locked zoom room because you're afraid to not only confront the public. You're afraid to confront the fact that you are massively unpopular. Every time you pull one of these moves to go online you get even more unpopular every single day, and will continue to resist you in an organized way so long as Jhpd exists, and you exist as their mouthpiece.

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00:45:58.970 --> 00:46:01.129

Sonja Merchant Jones: Oh, it's not true. We wanted to meet. Thank you.

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00:46:01.700 --> 00:46:02.840 Ganesha Martin: Miss Sonya.

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00:46:03.110 --> 00:46:04.840 Ganesha Martin: Yeah, think it's

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00:46:07.271 --> 00:46:23.110

Aprille Weron: Just very quickly. Number one, I emailed multiple people. After the last meeting. Personally to say, you know, anytime you're you want to. I'm willing to meet with you. If that that's what you wish and I got 0 responses back

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00:46:23.540 --> 00:46:23.970
Aprille Weron: that
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00:46:23.970 --> 00:46:35.549
Aprille Weron: still stands, if anybody wants to. So you're more than
welcome to do that. Additionally, you're talking about students and
things like that.
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00:46:35.710 --> 00:46:50.059
Aprille Weron: Voting against this, however, again, it was the Johns
Hopkins Police Department was was formed by the Legislature. So you have
to vote that way. That is how it was formed.
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00:46:50.382 --> 00:46:59.750
Aprille Weron: And so that the the existence of whether or not it it
exists or doesn't, is already established. And so if we're gonna have a
dialogue or questions or solutions.
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00:46:59.880 --> 00:47:05.169
Aprille Weron: those are those are fun to talk about, but debating
whether it should exist or not exist.
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00:47:05.180 --> 00:47:07.939
Aprille Weron: was already a question that was answered by the
Legislature.
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00:47:09.770 --> 00:47:10.870
Sonja Merchant Jones: thank you. April.
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00:47:12.000 --> 00:47:14.189
Ganesha Martin: Jarrell. I think I see your hand up.
00:47:17.390 --> 00:47:19.369
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: Yes, hello!
00:47:20.470 --> 00:47:26.483
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: I'll piggyback off of April, and
saying that you know one of the meetings I was
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00:47:27.790 --> 00:47:31.470
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: so brazen enough to even also share
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00:47:32.108 --> 00:47:35.339
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Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: my email and contact information. And
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00:47:35.420 --> 00:47:38.140
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: you know, there have been a few.
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00:47:38.330 --> 00:47:51.799
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: but not nearly what I've thought or
what we've also thought, because we also share our accountability board
email, you know, for folks to reach out engage in some civil dialogue and
discussion
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00:47:53.020 --> 00:47:54.280
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: with the facts
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00:47:55.294 --> 00:48:06.090
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: about how we can move forward in this
process. I one of the committees I serve on is the the Governance
Committee. And so, you know, I
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00:48:06.760 --> 00:48:13.019
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: I'm not paid just like no one else is
on the Accountability Board
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00:48:13.080 --> 00:48:17.746
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: to do and engage this work. We we do
this voluntarily. No one
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00:48:18.200 --> 00:48:29.519
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: held my hand or forced me, you know,
in the corner of wall. To do this I stepped up to do so I live in the
city very much a part of this city work in this city.
00:48:30.130 --> 00:48:33.454
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: As an African American male and a
proud
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00:48:33.920 --> 00:48:52.800
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: girl, Dad. So I you know I touch this
institution in any way in many ways, as you know, staff patient, you name
it just like everyone else. And so there's a way that we can engage in
this process in a more civil manner. But you know, please do. If you're
going to
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Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: bring information. You should want to do that with 378 00:49:01.340 --> 00:49:14.989 Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: fact, data and information, and let's have that conversation from that place. I do know that there are people right, not everyone agrees with this heck. I was one of the ones who wasn't either. 379 00:49:15.000 --> 00:49:23.619 Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: But on either side of that all where you stand, whether you for or against it, there's still a way, and we see that 380 00:49:23.820 --> 00:49:40.939 Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: examples of that even in the national spotlight there are ways that both sides can still come together to find some amicable solutions to help move forward with some ideas and approaches so that this can be effective. 381 00:49:41.910 --> 00:49:43.450 Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: That's the consult, for now. 382 00:49:43.910 --> 00:49:44.640 Sonja Merchant Jones: Thank you. Tyra. 383 00:49:44.640 --> 00:49:45.700 Ganesha Martin: Thank you. 384 00:49:45.700 --> 00:49:48.689 JH Accountability Board: The next person is Rebecca. 00:49:55.970 --> 00:49:57.080 Ganesha Martin: Rebecca, are you there? 00:49:57.776 --> 00:49:59.170 Rebecca Lai: Up here. 387 00:49:59.290 --> 00:49:59.960 Rebecca Lai: What?

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Rebecca Lai: Okay?

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00:50:05.100 --> 00:50:13.020
Rebecca Lai: Oh, do I need to go on the mic? Okay, alrighty my chat, my
chat.
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00:50:14.100 --> 00:50:16.740
Rebecca Lai: So I just want to say to the Board
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00:50:17.140 --> 00:50:22.380
Rebecca Lai: that we definitely don't need any type of private policing
at all period.
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00:50:22.870 --> 00:50:24.910
Rebecca Lai: We definitely don't need it at all.
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00:50:25.080 --> 00:50:27.950
Rebecca Lai: And when I think about my brother Tyrone West.
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00:50:28.300 --> 00:50:32.640
Rebecca Lai: who literally was killed by 17 Baltimore City police
officers.
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00:50:32.670 --> 00:50:37.920
Rebecca Lai: as well as one Morgan State University officer, which was
private police
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00:50:38.430 --> 00:50:47.490
Rebecca Lai: that literally got a fake signal 13. When my brother needed
help. Not none of the officers, because my brother was an unarmed man
that didn't harm anyone.
00:50:47.710 --> 00:50:52.890
Rebecca Lai: and he was brutally executed by 17 kilomaniac cops.
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00:50:53.220 --> 00:51:00.390
Rebecca Lai: So we definitely are saying No to public. And the saddest
part. We've been doing this for years years.
00:51:00.670 --> 00:51:02.469
Rebecca Lai: If you actually want to go back
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00:51:02.600 --> 00:51:08.830
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Rebecca Lai: all these weeks, 590 weeks, 591 weeks is a very long time.
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00:51:09.040 --> 00:51:13.810
Rebecca Lai: 4,137 days. I count down every day
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00:51:13.820 --> 00:51:30.930
Rebecca Lai: while you guys are sleeping at night. My family gets no
sleep, and it's just not about Tyrone West. It's about Timothy Fleming,
Anthony Anderson. The list goes on, and it's constantly happening over
and over again every time we do this protest. Unfortunately, we read off
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00:51:31.340 --> 00:51:37.830
Rebecca Lai: names and big numbers. I'm talking about 37, or 39 killed
all over the world within a week.
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00:51:38.080 --> 00:51:43.199
Rebecca Lai: not a day, not a month, not a year, a week, one week in
America.
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00:51:43.200 --> 00:51:43.890
Ganesha Martin: So.
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00:51:44.130 --> 00:51:48.059
Ganesha Martin: So, Wanda, thank you so much for your feedback.
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00:51:50.080 --> 00:51:51.870
JH Accountability Board: Next person is Layla.
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00:51:55.880 --> 00:51:57.860
Lyla Atta: Oh, oh, yeah, okay. Okay.
00:51:58.390 --> 00:52:06.249
Lyla Atta: When I had a mic check that's to make y'all. So you can hear
her when she talks. Okay? So yeah, again, we don't need any private
police.
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00:52:07.280 --> 00:52:09.499
Lyla Atta: We don't need any private police.
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00:52:09.870 --> 00:52:15.610
Lyla Atta: We don't need any police. Let's be crystal clear. We need no
police.
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00:52:15.610 --> 00:52:17.149
JH Accountability Board: Is this? Is this the same person?
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00:52:17.150 --> 00:52:18.880
Lyla Atta: Militarized it is.
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00:52:18.880 --> 00:52:20.100
Ganesha Martin: Yeah, I think it's Tawanda.
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00:52:20.100 --> 00:52:22.450
Lyla Atta: It's too many names, too many cases.
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00:52:23.190 --> 00:52:24.240
Lyla Atta: So we need.
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00:52:26.610 --> 00:52:28.829
JH Accountability Board: The next person is Janelle Thompson.
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00:52:35.880 --> 00:52:36.890
Ganesha Martin: Dale, are you there?
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00:52:44.450 --> 00:52:52.819
Janelle Thompson: Over and over again. But you will never stop our
voices.
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00:52:53.980 --> 00:53:01.579
Janelle Thompson: We have the voice that we are community. We're going to
be here. We're saying, no.
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00:53:01.780 --> 00:53:04.300
Janelle Thompson: we're saying no, and we have been saying no
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00:53:04.680 --> 00:53:07.169
Janelle Thompson: for a very long time in such a way.
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00:53:07.630 --> 00:53:11.689
Janelle Thompson: All the blood is on y'all hands. Y'all have the right.
It's your duty
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00:53:11.740 --> 00:53:13.700
Janelle Thompson: to make sure that we're safe.
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00:53:13.880 --> 00:53:28.239
Janelle Thompson: and it's sad that you are failing us over and over. How
many victims, how many more victims before you take this thing serious.
It is disgusting. And literally I left one spot. There's the police out
there looking in my face, being rude.
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00:53:28.720 --> 00:53:32.220
Janelle Thompson: and you're talking about bridging the gap like they
didn't try.
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00:53:32.230 --> 00:53:39.190
Janelle Thompson: No one even said Good afternoon. Good evening, nothing.
It was this this glance, and just like
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00:53:39.540 --> 00:53:46.750
Janelle Thompson: disappointment. It's very disgusting how many more
people have to get killed before you take it serious or brutalize.
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00:53:47.250 --> 00:53:50.559
Janelle Thompson: And then the way that y'all torment students that stand
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00:53:50.830 --> 00:54:17.850
Janelle Thompson: for their freedom and right, and y'all try to snatch
their whole life away just because they're doing the most American thing,
as you were saying in a vertical speaking up, no one has weapons, but
then we're over militarized. We always have people, but yet we have a
whole new President coming in that. Had people play them up a wall, go in
and police get killed. Nothing was done. And you're actually having this
person back to represent us again. We're in some serious times.
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00:54:18.140 --> 00:54:19.330
Janelle Thompson: What else? I'm sorry.
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00:54:19.330 --> 00:54:22.599
Ganesha Martin: Thank you for that. Go ahead, Jarell.
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00:54:23.877 --> 00:54:30.040
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: I. Wanna so we're gonna talk about
some facts, what some one of the things I do want to add. Well, for one.
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Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: I and Tawanda. You know this and and others

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Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: you know we we feel for those who, you know have lost their lives.

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Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: So it's acts of violence in every way, shape or form, and the but in terms of the Johns Hopkins police department.

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Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: We don't have cadets out there patrolling yet, but one of the things that I would like to also have people look at

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Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: is the Senate Bill 793, the community safe and strengthening, act right? We can talk about all of the negatives that

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Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: folks may have or individuals may have. But there are also some other investments that are going to be made with the establishment and setting up of the police force the C Community Development Anchor investment fund

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Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: about 5 million to 10 million dollars. Like, let's talk about that. Let's talk about the cadet apprenticeship program. Let's talk about the Police Athletics and Activity League. Let's talk about the East Baltimore Historical Library. Let's talk about setting up also with the establishment of this police force for the Youth Work summer program. Let's talk about the Baltimore City Children and Youth fund.

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Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: I mean. So if we want to talk about some stuff that's in the mou, let's also talk. If we're going to talk about the bad, let's also, or what folks may consider to be the bad.

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Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: Let's bring, or, or, as someone said over here, if you're going to bring the smoke, bring the extinguisher to talk about both sides of that coin, because.

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Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: you know, for anyone's intents and
purposes, while you know, folks may see or perceive that there may be
some negatives. Let's also talk about the potential opportunity that may
exist.
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00:56:27.530 --> 00:56:28.960
Ganesha Martin: And Ed has his name.
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00:56:31.650 --> 00:56:34.729
Ed Kangethe: So I wanna say to board members, I understand
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00:56:35.610 --> 00:56:37.980
Ed Kangethe: this is a motion charge conversation.
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00:56:38.150 --> 00:56:43.279
Ed Kangethe: But we're not here to cheerleaf our kids like
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00:56:43.390 --> 00:56:48.739
Ed Kangethe: the purpose of this meeting is to listen to the feedback,
good, bad, or ugly.
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00:56:48.770 --> 00:56:51.109
Ed Kangethe: And I think that's what we should just focus on.
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00:56:51.570 --> 00:56:53.500
Ed Kangethe: And I do understand.
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00:56:53.900 --> 00:56:57.500
Ed Kangethe: Some Board members feel as though there are some positives
on this.
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00:56:58.110 --> 00:57:05.450
Ed Kangethe: and if ask a direct question, then you know you absolutely
should ask that. But the purpose of this meeting
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00:57:05.480 --> 00:57:13.080
Ed Kangethe: is to listen to the community feedback. So let's just state.
Mindful of that.
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Ganesha Martin: Mr. Chair, if I may. I definitely hear you on that. I will say that the 1st couple of times we did this meeting.

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Ganesha Martin: The board members just kind of sitting here and not responding at all, did not go over. Well.

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Ganesha Martin: and so I know that there is a balance. I don't think

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Ganesha Martin: anyone wants to appear as a cheerleader. But I I do think part of the Board's

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Ganesha Martin: role, and y'all definitely can push back on me. You know your role better than I do. Is, if there are

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Ganesha Martin: things that can be addressed in some of the the concerns that are being expressed.

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Ganesha Martin: I think, as long as they're factual and within the board's purview, correct.

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Ganesha Martin: back and forth, feedback, back and forth is, it's almost as if you were having a conversation in the hallway. Somebody came up to you and said.

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Ganesha Martin: You know, so I definitely appreciate what you said. And I think, and putting those parameters out there to to think about is important. But I also do think that putting out some factual things could be helpful to the community, because it's not just the folks who have showed up to be very organized and intentionally disrupt, which is their right. There are other people on that are listening in that, I think, have come to learn as well. And so.

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00:58:39.520 --> 00:58:43.390

Ganesha Martin: if we can find that balance, I see April, I think you have something to say.

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00:58:44.230 --> 00:58:47.470
Ganesha Martin: Oh, I'm sorry, Jarrell, did you? Jarrell? Did April.
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00:58:47.470 --> 00:58:50.810
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: Because because I want to get a point
of clarity, because
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00:58:51.222 --> 00:59:03.130
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: I know the the term cheerleading was
used. I mean, that's not a description I don't have, you know, Pom-pom,
so I'm not sure what's meant by that. But the the
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00:59:03.280 --> 00:59:08.740
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: other thing is also I don't have for
me. I can only speak for me, Darrell Bratcher.
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00:59:09.451 --> 00:59:15.090
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: Everlast written on my forehead. So
you know, if if I this is a
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00:59:15.280 --> 00:59:30.629
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: public community, board and body, and
everyone has the right and the opportunity to speak and have their 1st
amendment right to be able to exhaust this so. And you know, because
someone makes a certain comment.
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00:59:30.730 --> 00:59:34.450
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: I don't think that's good like,
especially if we ask in the public.
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00:59:34.500 --> 00:59:36.520
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: you know, to be a little bit more
civil.
00:59:36.700 --> 00:59:43.950
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: I I don't know if you know the use of
the word cheerleading, because I'm not sure if that definition
necessarily helps
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00:59:44.428 --> 00:59:46.420
Jerrell Bratcher supermanl@jh.edu: in that, that's all it.
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00:59:47.040 --> 01:00:07.010
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Aprille Weron: Sure I just wanted to respond to Megan Mcshay, she said to comment on April Warren's statement that the police force existence is settled. I'd like to point out that the legislation allowing for this police force to exist, was created. But the State had jurisdiction over Baltimore police that they no longer have as of the recent election, which is absolutely correct.

475 01:00:08.490 --> 01:00:26.050 Aprille Weron: What shifted control of the police to the local government. Both my representatives voted against the State legislation. Its passage was carried by non Baltimoreans exclusively, and the legal landscape has changed since that time. I absolutely agree, and I encourage you to. You know, use your democratic rights to 476 01:00:26.330 --> 01:00:40.879 Aprille Weron: exercise it. However, you can legislatively, if that is what you choose to do. But when this Board was created, it was created by a legislature that did have jurisdiction. So that that's outside of anybody. Here's control. 477 01:00:43.300 --> 01:00:49.959 Ganesha Martin: Thank you for that. So I'm gonna try to get back to hearing from our folks that came to give feedback. 478 01:00:51.877 --> 01:00:55.779 JH Accountability Board: Lily, Lily Lily. Is on now. 479 01:00:56.900 --> 01:00:57.370 Ganesha Martin: Okay. 480 01:00:57.370 --> 01:00:58.429 Lily Liang: Months ago. 481 01:01:03.410 --> 01:01:05.640 Lily Liang: You want to look at me. Oh, Millie! 01:01:07.070 --> 01:01:08.439 Lily Liang: Hi! Can you hear me? 483 01:01:09.550 --> 01:01:11.239 Ganesha Martin: Yes, Lily, go right ahead. 484

01:01:12.150 --> 01:01:12.820

Lily Liang: Hey?

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Lily Liang: So I wanted to take your point to heart, Miss Sonia, regarding thinking about the future, and that is something that I've been thinking about a great deal, as I imagine all of us have, particularly over the past few weeks.

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Lily Liang: It's been noted, I believe correctly, that the creation of this department is relatively unprecedented in terms of this size of public, of private university, having its own police force separate from either campus security or the city police.

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Lily Liang: There are clear and well documented plans by the next Administration to attempt to eliminate the Federal Department of Education and shift our entire education system into a far more private prioritizing mode through a number of legislative and executive means. I cannot imagine

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Lily Liang: the successful quote unquote establishment of a Ghu. Pd. Of this kind would not serve as the perfect precedent for many, many more and increasingly powerful private educational institutions to follow when establishing their own mechanisms for repressing students, including under a legal landscape that is only going to become more repressive in a number of directions, including homophobic trans

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Lily Liang: transphobic, misogynistic racist approaches. And I am deeply concerned about what could happen should this department be allowed to go through without protest or without impingement upon its power, because it will be a model.

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Ganesha Martin: You Barry.

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Lily Liang: The rest of the country, and not, you know.

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Ganesha Martin: Bye.

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Sonja Merchant Jones: Stewart, hand.

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JH Accountability Board: The next person is Eli Lescher.
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Ganesha Martin: Eli, are you there.
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01:03:14.950 --> 01:03:17.369
Eli Lesher: Hi! Yes! Can you hear me?
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01:03:18.540 --> 01:03:20.240
Ganesha Martin: Yes, Eli, please go ahead.
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01:03:20.660 --> 01:03:34.860
Eli Lesher: Yeah. So I actually asked a question earlier. I apologize for
my Pq, 13 language but I do want an answer to the question during the
governance meeting that you had before
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01:03:34.950 --> 01:03:38.140
Eli Lesher: this the session
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01:03:39.505 --> 01:03:47.589
Eli Lesher: Jarrell and Duke were in a conversation in which they
discussed how these meetings can serve as recruiting events
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Eli Lesher: for the Jhpd. Drill going so far as to say, it doesn't hurt
to help it.
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Eli Lesher: I mean to have it in there and then asking about placing
flyers at this meeting.
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01:04:00.460 --> 01:04:04.669
Eli Lesher: What I I quess my question is directly, if this is not peer
leading.
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Eli Lesher: how is it not an egregious ethical violation. And how do we
trust you to hold the Jhpd accountable while you're saying how great it
is to recruit for them?
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Eli Lesher: That's great.
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01:04:19.910 --> 01:04:20.840
Ganesha Martin: Way. It's a row.
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01:04:23.040 --> 01:04:27.280
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: If if I remember correctly, and and
you know, I'll
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01:04:27.290 --> 01:04:30.200
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: punt it over to Duke after I
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01:04:30.220 --> 01:04:32.860
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: a talk. If Dude would like to chime
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01:04:33.050 --> 01:04:35.279
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: In regards to the flyer
01:04:35.340 --> 01:04:42.040
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: I was only mentioning in term. I I
remember my statement that I made was in regards to
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01:04:42.170 --> 01:04:51.829
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: folks who were expressing concern
about the police department. I said one way that we could make this
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01:04:52.220 --> 01:05:00.419
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: an effective tool, and mechanism is
for folks in the community who have an interest
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01:05:00.560 --> 01:05:18.320
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: to apply, so that the police
department is reflective of people in the community and the type of
policing that we would like to see. So that's what I was mentioning
there. In that regard I forgot the other piece
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01:05:18.390 --> 01:05:23.279
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: in regards to the the earlier
question, but that was our back and forth.
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Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: dialogue there and then. Everything
else just pertain to
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01:05:28.323 --> 01:05:45.876
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: things that we were talking about as
it related to. If you're referring to the Governance Committee meeting in
these those particular sections in the in the bylaws. But feel free
email, if there's some other point of clarity that I
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01:05:46.590 --> 01:05:47.600
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: myth.
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01:05:51.530 --> 01:05:53.389
Ganesha Martin: Okay, thank you for that.
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01:05:54.040 --> 01:05:56.072
Ganesha Martin: Okay. Next person.
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01:05:56.750 --> 01:05:57.370
JH Accountability Board: Less.
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01:05:57.370 --> 01:05:58.479
Ganesha Martin: It looks like.
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01:05:58.480 --> 01:05:59.100
JH Accountability Board: Yes.
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01:06:04.980 --> 01:06:06.209
Ganesha Martin: Leslie, are you there?
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01:06:11.840 --> 01:06:13.040
JH Accountability Board: Going, once.
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01:06:13.040 --> 01:06:16.580
Leslie Ashmore: Pab. Quit your jobs.
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01:06:17.580 --> 01:06:20.059
Leslie Ashmore: We know you work for the cop.
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01:06:23.590 --> 01:06:25.370
Leslie Ashmore: Your job.
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Leslie Ashmore: We know you were for the cops.
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Leslie Ashmore: BIB.
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01:06:32.150 --> 01:06:37.560
Ganesha Martin: Oh, that's clearly not gonna be a question. So
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Ganesha Martin: let's go to the next person.
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01:06:39.490 --> 01:06:40.569
Sonja Merchant Jones: Who cares?
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01:06:40.900 --> 01:06:43.310
JH Accountability Board: Arianna, parish.
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01:06:45.000 --> 01:06:54.700
ariana parrish: Hey, everyone? Thanks for letting me speak so. It's
great. I heard someone mention something about the the Middle East
community, and so I actually live in the Middle East Community, and
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ariana parrish: I'm a it would be great to see more representation at our
community meetings, especially like, I'm a big person on solutions.
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ariana parrish: And so if we don't bring questions forward like this is
obviously happening. And, like others, have said like
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ariana parrish: this has been, it's happening. So we need to think about
like, what are things that we can do? And how can we leverage this
Advisory Board to like? Talk to them? So I would
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01:07:18.610 --> 01:07:19.250
ariana parrish: right
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ariana parrish: you all to like, reach out to everyone on the board and
get more of a personal connection with them, because they don't work for
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John Hopkins, and I found that out with the in person, because there has been an in person meeting the in person meeting that they had at Henderson Hopkins, where, like I had a lot of reservations as well. But, like

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ariana parrish: I have, you know, took the time to get to know these people and like follow up with them. Don't like you can't just be mad. You guys have to like, come forward with like.

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ariana parrish: what are ways that we can talk to people and like, figure out next steps. Because if we if we just come in hot and angry, nothing's going to really happen. So we just have to think of like, how do we move forward? I live in Middle East. Over 700 families were displaced. Do you think I want to work with Ebdi? No, I don't, but I still want to support the people that are in my neighborhood. So it's just thinking of like, how can we work with them? I still don't trust them, but how can we work with them? So I guess my question for the rest of like the board, is

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ariana parrish: no number one. You did mention something about those numbers, and so like, it would be great to see, like how the budget is dispersed in terms of like funding for different things that

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01:08:17.090 --> 01:08:18.709 ariana parrish: you guys, I guess

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ariana parrish: how funding is dispersed overall. And then, secondly, since the meeting that I went to that was at Henderson Hopkins. What what steps. The Board has taken post that meeting that in-person meeting.

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Ganesha Martin: So one thing. Thank you, Ariana. So much for that. For coming to the meeting, for showing up here tonight. I will say, just because before this call I was looking through the frequently asked questions, there, towards the bottom, there is a a list of

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Ganesha Martin: a lot of the programs that have been funded. But but I don't think the numbers, not all the exact numbers are there, so that is something the Board could possibly take back around transparency and sharing

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Ganesha Martin: and then I just wanted to note that. And then if there's any response that people anybody on the board has around steps that have been taken since that meeting.

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Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: From the the government actually here from the Governance Committee.

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Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: please go to the Accountability Board website and look at the latest draft of the bylaws that we are looking

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Jerrell Bratcher supermanl@jh.edu: to put forth. Oh, well, have put forth as a committee, and then we'll ultimately take back to the full the full board. I'm hoping to get feedback. We're hoping to get feedback from the public, as it relates to those. But yeah, that's been the work of the the Governance Committee, as it pertains to the order, structure and function of the Police Accountability Board.

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: Yeah, this is, do. Maybe I should chime in as well. Can you hear me.

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Ganesha Martin: Yep, we can hear you, too.

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: Got it.

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: Yeah, good evening. So yeah, I want to thank Arianna for her question also. So I think since the last meeting she's discussing. It's been a while, so there's been a quite a bit of work done by the

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: policy Committee, particularly in reviewing all of the draft policies, which was quite a a

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: an undertaking. So at this time last year none of the final policies would have come out. Only the 1st

01:10:35.090 --> 01:10:40.170 Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: tranche of draft policies would have come out for comment. The second tranche 01:10:40.659 --> 01:10:44.411 Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: came out for comment in December with final 560 01:10:47.370 --> 01:10:57.009 Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: over a hundred comments from the board plus comments from the community, almost all of which were either addressed or input or taken into account with 561 01:10:57.987 --> 01:11:05.779 Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: inputs made into the final into the final Jhpd policies which have now been 562 01:11:06.010 --> 01:11:09.159 Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: been adopted and are posted online. 563 01:11:10.760 --> 01:11:14.226 Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: A few things I maybe would add there, 01:11:15.000 --> 01:11:20.750 Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: in particular, I think a lot of the comments from the Accountability Board addressed issues of

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: command control. For example, if

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: if a body camera is not on or isn't being used. Or if there's other breaches of policy and procedures. Okay, there might be action taken against that particular officer. I think a lot of the language that we, as the Policy Committee, wanted to be added to the policies, was

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: additional review should be made not only of the officers action, but the but the actions of the commanders, supervisors,

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: and if they were aware, or they should have been aware, that there were breaches of policy going on.

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: and that action should be taken at that level
also. So command, control, and supervision language. We wanted to be
added to some of the procedures in particular.
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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: thanks.
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Ganesha Martin: And then the one thing we'll definitely take down. And
and, Miss Sonya, we can work on this, even on your committee is the the
Middle East.
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01:12:23.793 --> 01:12:34.640
Ganesha Martin: Request there and if there's specific meetings that you
like for them to attend. I know Miss Sonya is raring and waiting to show
up to any meetings that she's invited to. So.
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01:12:34.640 --> 01:12:35.340
Sonja Merchant Jones: It's blank.
01:12:35.340 --> 01:12:36.240
Ganesha Martin: Thank you for that.
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01:12:38.700 --> 01:12:40.440
Ganesha Martin: Okay, next.
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01:12:41.170 --> 01:12:42.690
JH Accountability Board: Is tiff.
01:12:44.440 --> 01:12:45.060
Sonja Merchant Jones: Hmm.
01:12:46.730 --> 01:12:48.340
Tiff Tiff: Hello! Hi! Can everyone hear me?
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01:12:49.010 --> 01:12:49.460
JH Accountability Board: Yes.
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01:12:49.460 --> 01:12:50.510
Ganesha Martin: Yes, too.
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Tiff Tiff: Perfect. Yes, so I'll keep this quick, because I'm sure there are a lot of people you'll have to get through. Basically, y'all really need to reflect on how you all think about public accountability, because this is beyond shameful. How can you call this a public accountability board? I can't even see the public, and the people who are supposed to be meeting with the public are hiding behind a zoom room, not hearing anyone offering any meaningful response to what these people are saying. The reason why

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Tiff Tiff: you feel like people are shouting down at you is because Hopkins affiliates and community members have asserted time and time again over a span of literal years that we do not want a Ghpd. We don't believe that police keep people safe, and we don't trust an institution like Johns Hopkins University, an institution which has a stranglehold of the Maryland economy, and is not privy to any degree of public accountability or oversight. And clearly y'all are doing very little to build

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Tiff Tiff: that trust, if at all. You say that we scare away people who are in support of creating the Jhpd. But if there were people who felt as fervently about creating a Jhpd as the people who felt about canceling the Jhpd.

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Tiff Tiff: Don't you think that they would be here duking it out with us. But they're not because there is no popular force behind creating a Jhpd. So my question for you is, how can you possibly, in good faith expect to continue like this? It is absolutely ridiculous, that's all I have to say.

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Tiff Tiff: Thank you.

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Ganesha Martin: Go ahead, Miss Sonya.

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Sonja Merchant Jones: No one wants to duke out anything with anyone.

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Sonja Merchant Jones: We want to have a conversation

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Sonja Merchant Jones: so that we can get a better understanding.
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Sonja Merchant Jones: I. I stand for what is true, and being a part of
this board, whether I'm seen as a cheerleader or not, let it be a
cheerleader for what I know
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01:14:29.500 --> 01:14:30.870
Sonja Merchant Jones: to be true.
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01:14:33.273 --> 01:14:40.079
Sonja Merchant Jones: there's no place for sensationalism here tonight or
any other night that we've had to
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01:14:40.290 --> 01:14:45.740
Sonja Merchant Jones: pushed through that no one wanted to be in person
anymore than most of us.
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01:14:46.040 --> 01:14:50.510
Sonja Merchant Jones: So that is all I'm gonna say, and I'll yield back
to you.
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01:14:50.710 --> 01:14:51.590
Sonja Merchant Jones: Hello!
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01:14:51.710 --> 01:14:53.187
Sonja Merchant Jones: Can you share.
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01:14:53.680 --> 01:14:55.660
Ganesha Martin: Thank you, miss. Thank you, Miss Sonya.
01:14:55.660 --> 01:14:58.469
Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: Yeah, th, this is Duke. May I chime in?
Please.
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Ganesha Martin: Yes, please do.
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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: Yeah. So
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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: So for folks who aren't aware I am on the board as a community member from the Peabody Campus

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: and in the Peabody Mount Vernon neighborhood. As most of us saw when we recently did have a meeting with with our neighborhood. Here

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: there tends to be a consensus that we are in favor of the Jhpd.

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: I don't

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: push that that idea very often in these meetings, because we are the smallest campus, and I understand that there are very strong views from folks living on the other campuses.

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: and I learn I'm learning a lot from getting feedback

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: when it's presented in an intelligible way from folks who do live on and around the other campuses, because, frankly, as I've mentioned to other people, I was always shocked to find out. There were so many strong views about this from folks at the other campuses, because, as I say, at the Peabody Campus.

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: we feel strongly that we are terribly under policed by the Bpd.

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: And we need security and for the folks who I've mentioned before in these forums

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: I am aware of policing questions and accountability issues as much as anybody. I'm a minority male. I live in an alley house.

611 01:16:19.560 --> 01:16:20.530 Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: House.

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: The alley behind my house is between my place, and a building which is now owned by Johns Hopkins, so that alley that I use to ingress and egress my building about half of the time will be policed by the Jhpd. So I understand. And I'm learning. And I continue to learn. But I do want to just point out while we're a very small campus. The folks in this neighborhood usually ask me.

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: when are the police going to be fielded? How long will it take? They are looking forward to it in a certain way. That I understand isn't necessarily true at the other campuses, but I hear consistently we don't want we don't want, but that's not true of all the campuses and of all of the neighbors. I should just.

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: I just wanted to point that out. Thank you so much.

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01:17:10.830 --> 01:17:11.770 Ganesha Martin: Thank you, Duke.

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Ganesha Martin: Is there a next person.

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JH Accountability Board: Yes, Toby Park.

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Tobi Park: Hi. So I would 1st like to provide a short criticism. And then a question. So basically, what I'm hearing is that you're asking of us to trust you and this board to keep us safe, and to keep the campus safe, or to keep us to keep police forces in check. However, while I was watching this meeting, everything that you guys have said has been spoken in bad faith.

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Tobi Park: There's been tone policing, which is when you're unable to separate the core of a message from your feelings of being told that you're wrong. Historically, tone policing has been used to silence, basically, every single minority ever because minority and marginalized

group, because it's like they're too loud. They're being too aggressive. They're being mean. And it's like that completely is detracting from the harm that is being caused or the harm that people feel is being caused to them. And I feel like it's really just an inadequate.

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Tobi Park: I feel like, it's really inadequate, because it seems that you guys are unable. Some of you are unable to distinguish your role as a servant, to like the community from your feelings of offense. And another thing is like, there's a lot of talking about. You need to come with facts. You need to come with logic like. We will listen to logic and facts.

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Tobi Park: And but then we also hear you say, saying, stop talking about the past like

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Tobi Park: how like no scientific or academic, or even logical study would ever be conducted if every single data point was negative. And

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Tobi Park: there is so much data just historically, like the the history of policing in this country has oppressed and hurt and like

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Tobi Park: like tortured and continues to torture communities. And so basically, I'm just asking, like, you're following the every single move in the playbook of like, basically a corporation prioritizing publicity and profit, and like trying to like.

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Ganesha Martin: Toby, I really wanna hear your question. Do you mind

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Ganesha Martin: time is up? But I really want to hear your question.

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Tobi Park: Yeah. My question is, why should we trust you like using so like, how are you going to concretely build trust with the community? What are you going to do to keep us safe? Not just like, oh, like we'll talk to them. We'll moderate. We'll like, regulate, like what what is

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Tobi Park: like, what are you gonna do to make sure that the students in the community aren't harmed like? Because I feel like there haven't been an address of these concerns of police brutality and oppression.

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Ganesha Martin: Thank you, Toby, and I do. I do want to make it clear. And our board member April is going to respond. But the difference in what's been happening. What just happened is that you actually posed a question to be to be answered. So we'll we'll let April answer that question.

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Aprille Weron: Toby, thank you for your question.

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Aprille Weron: again, I live in this neighborhood. And so I am also concerned about the police

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Aprille Weron: jurisdiction in my neighborhood, and that's 1 of the reasons why I've been so adamant about being on the board to make sure that there are people who are able to look and review the policies. There's literally no other way to hold people accountable than to look at their playbook of how they are doing things, how they're going to interact with our neighbors, how they're going to interact with the children that I work with every day after school that live in this neighborhood, and so

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Aprille Weron: that being involved and making sure that being critical and examining and understanding, and being an active participant in the process of the creation of this police force is the only way that I know how. Again, because talking about the existence of it, it's already here. And so this is the only way that I know how to

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Aprille Weron: make sure that something that again is going to affect me almost every day, because I'm I live here. I walk here. I walk in their jurisdiction. I'm going to be there every single day. So are the kids that I work with. So is my family.

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Aprille Weron: That's that's the only way I know how to how to participate.

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Ganesha Martin: Thank you, Miss Sonya.
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01:21:20.891 --> 01:21:23.660
Sonja Merchant Jones: Well, I heard Toby say that
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Sonja Merchant Jones: there are those of us who are offended, and
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01:21:29.760 --> 01:21:39.060
Sonja Merchant Jones: maybe so by hearing things that I know for certain
are not true. I understand when it said that
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01:21:39.150 --> 01:21:44.979
Sonja Merchant Jones: there's a history of bad policing. We we all are
aware of that.
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Sonja Merchant Jones: but I believe that this is an opportunity
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Sonja Merchant Jones: for all of us to get it as right as it can possibly
be, and we have worked so hard toward that. But we can't share that.
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Sonja Merchant Jones: because we are, as many have said tonight we're
shut down.
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01:22:06.520 --> 01:22:13.440
Sonja Merchant Jones: And so it's easy to shut something down, because
you may hear
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01:22:13.460 --> 01:22:16.759
Sonja Merchant Jones: again. I'll say that it's not what you believe it
01:22:17.030 --> 01:22:20.570
Sonja Merchant Jones: to be, and it is true. I will come to
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01:22:20.630 --> 01:22:22.949
Sonja Merchant Jones: meetings if we can have a
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Sonja Merchant Jones: a dialogue, and we can look at things from both sides. But 649 01:22:27.302 --> 01:22:34.129 Sonja Merchant Jones: it is offensive when you know that the truth 650 01:22:34.300 --> 01:22:44.559 Sonja Merchant Jones: is not in the equation, and it's difficult to have that face to face, one on one. You see me. I see you conversation. 651 01:22:45.053 --> 01:22:52.129 Sonja Merchant Jones: But it's all that we've ever wanted. So I'm gonna I'm going to to yield back. I believe this is 652 01:22:52.230 --> 01:22:53.410 Sonja Merchant Jones: possible. 653 01:22:53.670 --> 01:23:03.560 Sonja Merchant Jones: If we make the choice, to see things from all perspectives, it's possible in my lifetime to see a police force 654 01:23:03.780 --> 01:23:08.540 Sonja Merchant Jones: abide by the law that in which it's established. 655 01:23:08.650 --> 01:23:16.729 Sonja Merchant Jones: and have others follow suit. Instead of saying, Hopkins Hopkins is going to follow 656 01:23:16.770 --> 01:23:23.280 Sonja Merchant Jones: the actions of what has happened in the past. I I choose to look 657 01:23:23.390 --> 01:23:28.479 Sonja Merchant Jones: toward it, being what we all want and needed to be. I yield back. 658 01:23:31.140 --> 01:23:32.370 Ganesha Martin: Thank you, Miss Sonya. 659 01:23:33.435 --> 01:23:35.330 Ganesha Martin: Do. We have the next person?

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Ganesha Martin: I think I see John Floyd.

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01:23:41.740 --> 01:23:43.740 Joan Floyd: Yes, thank you.

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Joan Floyd: I want to register my formal complaint against the participation of Ganesha Martin in this meeting, and that is based on statements she made on the record. At the September 14, th 2024 meeting. I also reiterate my testimony. From last year nothing has changed or improved, and I'm going to add the following statement.

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Joan Floyd: Branval Bard and his staff display their contempt for everyone they intend to police, and for the city of Baltimore and its elected officials, when they fail to disclose the most basic and essential public information about their intended private police force, which is the jurisdictional boundary lines

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Joan Floyd: boundary lines is Bard showing his trainees.

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Joan Floyd: They have to know at any given time whether they are inside or outside their private police boundary line, and so do we.

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Joan Floyd: It is a matter of our basic civil rights. We're not going to play Bard's guessing game. We must be able to file complaints with the City Police Accountability Board against Hopkins, officers for things that happen outside their jurisdiction.

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Joan Floyd: Continuing to withhold this essential information is devious, cowardly, dishonest, and contemptuous, and I want to say that all

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Joan Floyd: of Bard's claims of community support are illegitimate.

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Joan Floyd: since no one in the community even knows what territory he is claiming.

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Ganesha Martin: Thank you, Ms. Floyd.
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Ganesha Martin: We are nearing the end. I I will probably come to the
board just to get a consensus of. We'll keep going, but we'll start.
Keep. We'll keep taking
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01:25:32.310 --> 01:25:35.600
Ganesha Martin: folks as the time permits.
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01:25:36.370 --> 01:25:37.070
Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: Miss.
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01:25:37.070 --> 01:25:38.189
Ganesha Martin: Someone next.
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01:25:38.190 --> 01:25:40.909
JH Accountability Board: And and go ahead. Duke.
01:25:41.360 --> 01:25:46.009
Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: This is Duke and I. I wanted to just respond
to Miss Floyd as best as I can.
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01:25:46.010 --> 01:25:46.820
Ganesha Martin: Yes, please.
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01:25:46.820 --> 01:25:52.419
Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: We have taken note of her concerns raised in
previous meetings. We have asked
01:25:52.992 --> 01:25:59.530
Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: the University through public safety for
updated and verified maps of jurisdictional boundaries.
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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: They we have seen that they are working on the
updates
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01:26:05.790 --> 01:26:14.369
Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: there, and as much as people, I suppose, are
aware, and I am learning. It is an ongoing work.
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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: The university is on doing construction

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: or acquisitions on all 3 campuses. It seems to be on a continuous basis, so the maps will have to be updated on a routine basis.

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: I, as chair of the policy committee, I continue to follow up.

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: We understand that we will have updated verified maps that will be

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: on that will be posted as soon as possible.

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: and that is as much as I can say with with certainty. I know it's I know. It may not be Mrs. Floyd's definitive answer, but but those definitive answers in terms of verified maps are coming.

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: How and when the police work inside those jurisdictions that is relatively clear under the mou under policies. And although I do recognize her point that it would certainly be within citizens rights to complain to the, to the city of Baltimore, if they feel that those jurisdictional boundaries are being violated in the future. Thanks.

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Ganesha Martin: Thank you. And then where were you going.

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JH Accountability Board: Yeah, if they if Daniel wanted to chime in about how the the public safety accountability unit might handle receiving a complaint.

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Daniel Harrington: Sure. So

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Daniel Harrington: you know, it can come to us through various means. It can come from the Civilian Review Board. It can come from the Police Accountability board

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Daniel Harrington: can come if it's filed with Jhpd. Or can come directly to the Psau via the website, we

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Daniel Harrington: are on a strict 45 day, timeline from when the complaint is initiated to complete our investigation and

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Daniel Harrington: whatever steps that need to be taken into account when that's coordinating with Baltimore city police. If if

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Daniel Harrington: and an officer there shows up to reach out to them and say, if they have any video, any Bwc. Anything like that, they would they could share with us.

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Daniel Harrington: And we would take it we would. If it's filed against a Jhpd member, we we would look into that allegation if they're off their boundaries or outside their jurisdiction.

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Daniel Harrington: it would be a coordination effort. But Psa would certainly take a look at that as well from a policy standpoint.

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Daniel Harrington: It's important to remember that that we are an administrative investigative unit, that

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Daniel Harrington: it's dealing with citizens complaints. We will review uses of force. We will take a look at those administrative policy violations, you know, to see.

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Daniel Harrington: I think a gentleman mentioned earlier about the body worn camera. If it's not activated.

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Daniel Harrington: That is something that we would we would look at to
see if it had an impact on an outcome of of a case, and and it certainly
is a policy violation, so it would be addressed
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Daniel Harrington: accordingly. So I think there's there's many different
ways in which the actions of the Jhpd members
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Daniel Harrington: can be reviewed.
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Daniel Harrington: You know whether it's directly through us or through
one of the outside entities like the Crb or the Police Accountability
Board.
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Ganesha Martin: Thank you for that.
01:29:40.930 --> 01:29:45.270
Ganesha Martin: Checking this, I'm checking to see how many people are
still in the queue. Let's go ahead and take one more right now.
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Alina Spiegel: Hi! Can you hear me?
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Ganesha Martin: Yes, hi! Elena.
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01:29:56.640 --> 01:30:03.410
Alina Spiegel: Hi, thanks for taking my question. I just want to address
a couple of points, and then I do have a question at the end
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Alina Spiegel: so earlier in the meeting, Ms. Jones said, the only thing
that makes the Jhpd private is who is paying for it. And I just want to
know that that's really untrue, because private campus police forces are
just not subject to the same accountability mechanisms, not the same open
records, laws
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Alina Spiegel: that public police forces are. And this has been a major problem in other universities. Like the University of Chicago, they actually delayed the release of information, and when they did release that data. It pretty clearly showed that their police force was engaged in racial profiling. And so I'm just, you know, really alarmed that the members of the Accountability Board don't even seem to know this.

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Alina Spiegel: Another fact, that or

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Alina Spiegel: kind of piece of misinformation that's been thrown around is the idea that this piece of legislation. The Community safety and Strengthening act created this private police force.

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Alina Spiegel: And that's actually just not true. If you read that legislation, it authorizes the creation of the police force. It doesn't like require that it needs to be created. And so the university could certainly rescind its plans. Just as they decided to delay the plans for 2 years in the wake of George Floyd's murder, and it seems that you know they, in their opinion, that only really mattered for 2 years, because they came back full force after. And so my question is.

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Alina Spiegel: you know, if you share our concerns which are substantive, based on data, and which have been presented in various forms to both the Legislature and to Johns Hopkins for the past. I don't know, I think, 7 to 8 years.

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Alina Spiegel: I'm wondering if there's any case where any of you would actually decide to resign or to join us in opposing the creation of this dangerous police force, like you know how many people have to die at the hands of private police forces in order for you to make that decision? Or are you set on the position you're in right now. Thank you.

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Ganesha Martin: Alina. Thank you so much for that question. I am going to address 2 things, and then, if there's somebody on the board who would like to answer her second question. So the 1st piece is that the police department is actually mandated by State law falls under State law, and so they do have to respond to the Open Records act in addition, which I do think this is unheard of.

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Ganesha Martin: Part of the legislation is that none of these police officers have immunity have qualified immunity.

720 01:32:30.415 --> 01:32:41.629 Ganesha Martin: Which is very different. I don't know of any other police department in the United States. So those are just 2 clarifications I wanted to make, and then I don't know if there's anybody who wanted to address 721 01:32:42.323 --> 01:32:43.450 Ganesha Martin: her question. 722 01:32:46.380 --> 01:32:46.730 Aprille Weron: Oh! 723 01:32:47.570 --> 01:32:48.639 Ganesha Martin: Yes, April. 724 01:32:48.640 --> 01:33:05.460 Aprille Weron: Yeah, I have no plans to resign. Like I said before, I think the greatest way that I can make an impact on the way the police force is going to interact with myself and my family and my neighbors that I care so deeply about is to participate in the process of 01:33:05.470 --> 01:33:09.280 Aprille Weron: establishing the policies and procedures that will govern the force. 726 01:33:11.670 --> 01:33:14.239 Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: Yes, and this is Duke. If I may chime in 727 01:33:15.900 --> 01:33:20.160 Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: I I plan to serve out my 2 year term. 728 01:33:20.673 --> 01:33:25.339 Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: All members on the board serve 2 year terms which must then be renewed. 729 01:33:27.040 --> 01:33:29.299 Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: We do have 730 01:33:29.760 --> 01:33:40.039

Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: to to go to the question. We do have members of the board who have resigned in the past. That was their private decision. I am not privy to know why they resigned.

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: It may have just been, for you know, Con, you know, personal conflict issues or or scheduling conflicts. You know it. It can be very busy to do this type of work when you already have a full time, job, or you're a full time student.

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: but that has happened in the past.

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: I don't know, as I said, for what reasons the other part is that

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: you know. The question was couched as if if we would continue to support this

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: dangerous police force, and I

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: I am a little bit conflicted when I hear that kind of a comment, I understand.

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: at least in this case it came. It sounded like from a sincere point of concern.

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: But I don't necessarily feel safe from the Bpd. From the Baltimore police force. I don't.

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: and I understand, and I have followed the the way that the Hopkins is pursuing recruitment

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: and vetting, and I can't necessarily believe that they're necessarily going to be

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: more or less dangerous than the Bpd, so I'm a little bit

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: just mentioning that that I don't necessarily see this as being necessarily dangerous police force, and I hope it will be a safer police force, and I'm working my best as the best way I can

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: through my participation in the board to try to ensure that they do produce a professional.

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: highly trained, skilled police force that I will feel more comfortable with hopefully than I already do with the city police.

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Ganesha Martin: Thank you for that. So I think there's 3 more people in the queue. If it's okay with you all, we're already 6 min over, but we'll go ahead. Okay, I see the shaking of the heads. So let's go ahead and get the last 3. I see Mr. Harrington has raised

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01:35:45.240 --> 01:35:46.400 Ganesha Martin: your hand.

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Daniel Harrington: Yeah, I just I just wanted if I could just really quickly follow up on the comment that was just made. Because I think that. That's

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Daniel Harrington: again the the intentionality behind how the Public Safety Accountability unit was created

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Daniel Harrington: to be separate and outside the chain of command of the Hopkins Police department as a measure of further accountability for the actions of the officers of Jhpd. I think that that shouldn't be.

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Daniel Harrington: you know, understold or understated, that that was a very intentional act

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Daniel Harrington: putting them in that that way, so that there wasn't
being beholden to anyone in that chain of command, or or reporting to
that, so that independence was as firmly established from the outset. So
I just I just wanted to sort of further reinforce the point that was just
made by the gentleman, so thank you for the time.
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01:36:41.620 --> 01:36:51.210
Ganesha Martin: Great, that's great. I'm just looking here in in the
chat. As well. But we'll we'll go ahead to the next person, and then, if
there's some things that I need to address, I will.
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Ganesha Martin: I think Sharon is next.
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Sharon Guida: Yes, hello, this is my 1st time at attending
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Sharon Guida: this meeting, and I want to thank all of those who are
sitting on the Accountability Board
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Sharon Guida: for volunteering your time for this purpose. I think it's
very important that this Board show
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Sharon Guida: that there will be accountability for this police force,
and I think everything I've heard
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01:37:24.100 --> 01:37:28.150
Sharon Guida: from the members of the Board has given me confidence. That
that'll happen.
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Sharon Guida: But I have 2 questions. One is
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Sharon Guida: you mentioned the bylaws. And now I have never been to the
website.
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Sharon Guida: So I would love to know what the deadline for
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Sharon Guida: community input in the bylaws is going to be? And what is
the link to the website.
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01:37:54.220 --> 01:37:55.630
Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: From. If you go.
01:37:55.630 --> 01:37:56.040
Ganesha Martin: Okay?
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01:37:56.040 --> 01:37:58.559
Ganesha Martin: Oh, or Jarelle, whoever go ahead.
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01:38:01.010 --> 01:38:02.950
Sharon Guida: Did somebody say I could Google it.
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01:38:07.560 --> 01:38:28.030
Aprille Weron: No, no, ma'am, I believe it was just said I can try to put
it in the chat. However, just a about input and any of the bylaws or any
of the policies or procedures that can happen at any time. There's no
deadline for that just to email the accountability board email address
and we will.
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01:38:28.130 --> 01:38:30.990
Aprille Weron: You know, we can address any concerns there as well.
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Sharon Guida: And and is the email address listed on the website.
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Aprille Weron: I believe so. I'm not looking at it right now.
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Ganesha Martin: Can we say it out loud.
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Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: Board.
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Ganesha Martin: Please.
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Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: Dot edu, so a CCOU NTAB, ILIT y board
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Jerrell Bratcher superman1@jh.edu: hu.edu.
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01:38:58.730 --> 01:39:05.750
Sharon Guida: Thank you. And there's a lot more we can do in the
community to spread the word about
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Sharon Guida: the need for input and it's been my intention to find out
what was going on earlier.
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Sharon Guida: but schedules being what they are. But I promise you that
more will be circulated
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01:39:21.340 --> 01:39:28.649
Sharon Guida: about your request for input, and we'll try to. It would be
important to me
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01:39:28.890 --> 01:39:31.979
Sharon Guida: that this thing move in a positive direction
01:39:32.850 --> 01:39:38.580
Sharon Guida: so that it could be the best private police force that ever
existed.
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01:39:38.610 --> 01:39:42.969
Sharon Guida: and that if there were any accountability issues, any
abuses.
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01:39:43.210 --> 01:39:50.360
Sharon Guida: I'm also interested in knowing what the policies would be
for this Accountability Board to address them.
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Sharon Guida: because I think it's important, and I have. I'll read the
Bylaws and all that, but I think it's also important that there be a set
of guidelines
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Sharon Guida: for how people are supposed to who see abuses
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01:40:04.240 --> 01:40:11.040
Sharon Guida: are supposed to report them, so that it's very. And and one
thing I can help with is to
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01:40:11.864 --> 01:40:17.280
Sharon Guida: kind of be the guinea pig for reading those in a way that
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01:40:17.680 --> 01:40:23.800
Sharon Guida: anybody could understand them. And so it's not written by
somebody who knows
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01:40:24.210 --> 01:40:30.840
Sharon Guida: everything, but somebody who does, who? Who's gonna read
it, who needs to understand how it works.
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01:40:31.360 --> 01:40:35.970
Sharon Guida: It needs to be worded in such a way that it's easy to
understand.
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01:40:37.170 --> 01:40:38.339
Sharon Guida: And again, thank you.
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01:40:38.340 --> 01:40:39.670
Ganesha Martin: Ms. Sharon. I. Oh.
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01:40:39.700 --> 01:41:07.830
Ganesha Martin: yeah, thank you so much. And I think everything that you
said is right on point. I think it's what this board is looking for, and
we welcome you. And what I would say is, all of your questions. Every one
of them put them in that email, we'll send you direct links to what
you're looking for and provide the opportunity to have a meeting and
coordinate with you in a way to bring community together. So we
definitely appreciate that.
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01:41:09.433 --> 01:41:15.586
Ganesha Martin: I do see a couple of comments in here around jurisdiction
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Ganesha Martin: other things like that. I would encourage you all to go to the website. Quite a bit of these things are answered. I will tell you that the

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Ganesha Martin: the the frequently asked questions are being reworked. And hopefully, the feedback that we're hearing from some of you all will be addressed, and some of those frequently asked questions.

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Ganesha Martin: but but many of these things that are mentioned here around policy are there. So I think we have what one or 2 more people I've lost.

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Ganesha Martin: But let's bring the next person 2 more. Okay, perfect email.

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Emil Volcheck: Hello! Can you hear me?

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Ganesha Martin: Yes, we can hear you.

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Emil Volcheck: Hey? Good evening, everyone. My name is Amil Voltch. I'm with the Able Improvement Association. I'd like to start by thanking Miss Sonia Merchant Jones and Mr. Gerald Bratcher for acknowledging the testimony that the Able Improvement Association submitted.

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Emil Volcheck: and I recently attended a meeting of the Better Waverley Community organization. So I want to congratulate Sonia again for her many years of service to the neighborhood. With regard to the Jhu police department. I do want to correct one statement that was made earlier. Another attendee mentioned this. But the community safety and strengthening act is clearly conditional, and in case people didn't have a chance to read. Read it all.

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Emil Volcheck: I'm going to quote from one section subject to the requirements of this subtitle, the Johns Hopkins University may establish a police department based on a memorandum of understanding. The language may is repeated throughout the act. And so

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Emil Volcheck: the point about how this is ultimately at the discretion
of Johns Hopkins University is accurate. The State enables Johns Hopkins
decide. So it's a fair point
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Emil Volcheck: for the many protesters to say, why does Johns Hopkins
still want to do this
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Emil Volcheck: another. So I have a couple questions
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Emil Volcheck: first, st do you have a plan to convey the community
feedback that you receive from tonight's meeting.
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Emil Volcheck: fulfilling your duty as the Police Accountability Board to
relay feedback directly to the police department.
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Emil Volcheck: Second, will there be a community conversations number 3
following number 2 and
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Emil Volcheck: Community Conversation Number 3 being a publicly announced
meeting to the broad broader community. Mount Vernon Belvedere
Association is great, but there's also a wider dialogue outside that
particular community Association
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Emil Volcheck: which is important.
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Emil Volcheck: And finally, I'd like to point out that
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Emil Volcheck: one of the concerns that people have derives from the
behavior of Johns Hopkins University with regard to the encampment. Last
May the Baltimore beat reported that A. Hopkins representative in the
early hours of this protest, called for police.
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Emil Volcheck: and then, about 2 days after the demonstration started, Hopkins, A. Hopkins representative, requested that Baltimore City send in police. I've been able to confirm this with a reliable source in city government.

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Emil Volcheck: So Hopkins has demonstrated that it is willing to send police against nonviolent protesters. It's reasonable to infer that if Johns Hopkins University had its own police department, it would have sent them against the protesters

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Emil Volcheck: given the fact that they requested Baltimore City to intervene. Now Mayor Brandon Scott rightly refused, because it's.

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Ganesha Martin: Sorry. Yeah, I let you go over a minute because I wanted you to get your questions out. But it sounds like you're kind of about to go into comment, a little bit of commentary. Were you able to get your questions out?

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Ganesha Martin: That question was about, how does.

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Emil Volcheck: How do you? How do you explain that behavior?

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Emil Volcheck: If the Johns Hopkins police department?

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Emil Volcheck: it being a private police force, can be used by the private institution for these interests. So this is one way in which it is different than a public police force. The public police force was not sent in this case, even though Johns Hopkins University requested.

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Ganesha Martin: Perfect. Okay, thank you. I think some of these are things that the Board may be able to address, and others are more operational, related to Johns Hopkins. So are there any

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Ganesha Martin: any of the questions that the Board members can respond to.

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Aprille Weron: Megan Mcshay had said in the chat that the jurisdiction on the website state that any adjacent patrol requires approval from Bpd. Community and city council. What is the process for getting such approval? How does the community approve or disapprove of adjacent patrol? Under what circumstances

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Aprille Weron: community approval be sought? And how would it be sought? That is a very large concern of mine again, being within a block of the jurisdiction, and that, I believe, is not completely and fully laid out in the legislation. And so, seeing as that now the control of the Baltimore City Police Department is within the City council, I'm going to encourage everybody

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Aprille Weron: to talk to their council members. To make sure that your voices are heard on how and what mechanism would be used to seek community approval, and what what that actually means, because it's not actually laid out.

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01:47:03.330 --> 01:47:04.529 Aprille Weron: as far as I know.

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01:47:14.880 --> 01:47:15.440 Ganesha Martin: Go ahead!

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: Yes, yeah. I want to thank Emil for his thoughtful questions.

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: I, as you know, working with the Policy Review Committee, I do take to heart his.

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: He's well posed concerns about how and what will be the decision making process to

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: utilize Jhpd to respond to protests or other events or other activities which are demonstration of individuals. 1st amendment rights.

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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: I'm thinking, as I talk, I hope that's clear.
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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: And I think that's a legitimate issue, that
the Policy Review Committee can take up. We can
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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: ask for clarification and a clear statement
about how and when
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Douglas "Duke" Tremitiere: the decision making process would be utilized,
and how the decision will be made to respond to those types of events.
And I'm committed to do that. So thank you, Emil, I will. I'm putting
that on the list. So thank you.
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Ganesha Martin: Awesome.
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Ganesha Martin: Okay.
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Ed Kangethe: I just wanna jump in and see if I can, and put some
additional
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Ed Kangethe: excuse me additional answers to those questions that were
just pulled.
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Ed Kangethe: So first, st the board does have a process in which we
collect the feedback and share directly with Jpd leadership. So that's
the that's the answer to the 1st question, the second question.
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Ed Kangethe: and well, the question about public Safety's
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Ed Kangethe: request of police or the University request police. That's
something that the Board just can't speak to, so
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Ed Kangethe: public safety has always been willing to attend community
meetings and things like that. So I would
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Ed Kangethe: suggest that if you have
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Ed Kangethe: a question about any of their procedures or something. You
reach out to them directly. Currently.
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Ed Kangethe: we are hoping to continue the community conversations next
year. We will have to
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Ed Kangethe: kind of go back to the draw board to see what worked and
what didn't. But to answer that question. We are hoping to continue the
community conversations next year.
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Ganesha Martin: Perfect. Thank you, Mr. Chair, for that.
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Ganesha Martin: and then let's go to our last person.
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Wisam Awadallah: Hello!
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Ganesha Martin: Can you? Can you hear me? Sorry I am.
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JH Accountability Board: We can.
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Wisam Awadallah: Yeah, yes, yeah. I I just really would like to reiterate
that this is
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Wisam Awadallah: this is the Public Accountability Board.
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01:50:07.430 --> 01:50:09.470 Wisam Awadallah: These meetin

Wisam Awadallah: These meetings are neither public

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Wisam Awadallah: nor do you have any ability to hold anyone accountable. I I just I just want to reiterate how I don't see how you square your impotence with

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Wisam Awadallah: making a connection that you're actually helping anyone. I really

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Wisam Awadallah: would urge you again to quit and resign your positions on this board and actually help communities rather than just getting on these meetings, having your feelings hurt

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Wisam Awadallah: and using it as a quasi therapy session, where you ignore the the community members who are raising valid concerns and cheerlead and

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Wisam Awadallah: manufacturer consent for the Jhpd. You should be ashamed of yourselves. This is a shameful act that you are doing.

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Ganesha Martin: Thank you so much for.

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Wisam Awadallah: I, Miss Sonia, I apologize that your feelings are hurt, but but.

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Ganesha Martin: Okay, so thank you for that.

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Ganesha Martin: and I think this concludes.

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Ganesha Martin: our feedback session for the annual meeting. Did I miss anything? Anything anybody

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Ganesha Martin: needs to address before we go?

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Ganesha Martin: There were quite a few things that were said tonight, and the Board addressed many of them. There are a few that I think we need to go back

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Ganesha Martin: and and look at, and certainly even some suggestions about for the next meeting. I think, Jarell put in the chat the email address. So I definitely encourage everyone

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Ganesha Martin: to utilize that if there were questions that you did not get answered, or additional feedback or concerns that you have. So I really appreciate everybody coming and staying for the long haul. And again, while these are uncomfortable conversations. Sometimes they are necessary for all the reasons that everybody said, both those who screamed them loudly, and those who said them quietly, we are all here, because

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Ganesha Martin: even some of us have family members that have been affected by these issues. And so we continue to show up, because when we don't show up then

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Ganesha Martin: we don't get where we're trying to go. So I appreciate you all for the work that you do, and for the community that came to be heard tonight, and we will see you the next time.

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Ganesha Martin: Alright! Good night.

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Aprille Weron: Thank you.