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MEMORANDUM

November 14, 2008

TO: Assistant Chiefs
OAPS Director Stevens

SUBJ: Follow up from Use of Force Board Recommendations on Chasse Case

The Use of Force Board met on October 1 and 2 to consider the in-custody death case of James Chasse. As you are aware, the disposition of the case has been delayed by the surfacing of truthfulness allegations involving Officer Chris Humphreys and Sergeant Kyle Nice. The Internal Affairs Division will investigate the truthfulness allegations when it receives a copy of the booking facility tape that has been processed by a company agreed upon by Mr. Steenson, Deputy Chief Attorney Jim Rice, and the County Counsel's Office.

In the interest of improving the operations of the Portland Police Bureau, I would like to move forward the recommendations for seven of the eight recommendations identified by Lieutenant Dave Famous in the Training Division's analysis of the case. The recommendations are:

1. Crisis Intervention Team training—almost completed.
2. Revise emergency medical procedures—completed through Directive 630.45.
3. In-Service training—review person encounter doctrine through scenarios-based training and Directive 1010.20 through scenario-based and classroom instruction.
4. Advanced Academy training—introduce CIT training, include CIT scenario-based training, and reinforce person encounter doctrine.
5. Develop and disseminate a roll-call video pertaining to foot pursuits, highlighting the dangers of foot pursuits and the knock-down technique to all parties and the community.
6. Expand the Training Division's Foot Pursuit Tactical Doctrine when discussing Danger versus Public Safety. Provide additional emphasis outlining factors that should be considered at the onset of the pursuit, including severity of the crime, applicable statutes and policies, ones own knowledge of the subject including physical descriptors, and the immediate environment.
7. Send members to the National Sudden Death and Excited Delirium Conference—done for the second time.

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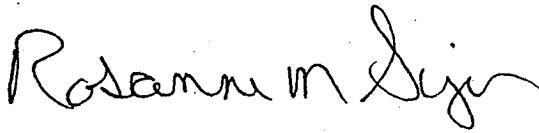
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In addition, I would like to begin tracking data related to foot pursuits to include when, why, how often, and with what results. Thought should be given to the possibility of altering the data collection form we currently use for vehicle pursuits to determine if it could be used to track both vehicle and foot pursuits.

Office of Accountability and Professional Standards Director Stevens will take the lead in tracking the implementation of these recommendations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rosanne M. Sizer". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

ROSANNE M. SIZER
Chief of Police

c. Mayor Potter, Commissioner Saltzman