WINNIPEG POLICE BOARD

MEMBERS

Councillor M. Chambers  Chair
Councillor B. Mayes

Citizen Members:
Brian Scharfstein  } Vice-Chair, 2-year term to expire December 31, 2020
Mohamed El Tassi  } 2-year term to expire
Edna Nabess  } December 31, 2020

Provincial Appointments
Alicja Szarkiewicz  } term to expire July 6, 2020
Damon Johnston  } term to expire January 21, 2022

JURISDICTION

• Item No. 1 of the Report of the Executive Policy Committee dated November 28, 2012, adopted by Council on November 28, 2012 (See Council Minute No. 64)
• The Winnipeg Police Board By-law No. 148/2012, passed by Council on November 28, 2012
• The Police Services Act(S.M. 2009,c.32) required that The City of Winnipeg implement a municipal Police Board by December 1, 2012

COMPOSITION

A minimum of seven and a maximum of nine members:
• 2 appointments made by the Province of Manitoba
• a minimum of five and a maximum of seven members of the Board, including the Chair and Vice-Chair, to be appointed as follows
  - the Mayor or his or her nominee, who may be a member of the public or a Councillor, shall also serve as Chair of the Board;
  - a minimum of one and a maximum of two Councillors; (Council Appointees who are Councillors shall be appointed for a one (1) year term. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Councillor may be a Board member only so long as they remain a Councillor.)
  - a minimum of three and a maximum of five members of the public. (Council Appointees who are Citizens shall be appointed for a term not to exceed the lesser of three (3) years or the term of office of the Council that made the appointment.)

FUNCTION

To act as a liaison between the community and the Winnipeg Police Service (WPS). The board will provide civilian governance respecting law enforcement, and the administrative direction and organization required to support an effective police service.

The Board must hold a meeting at least once every three months and have such duties as provided in the Police Services Act.

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