

Ottawa Police Services Board
Agenda 38- Monday 26 April, 2021
COMMUNICATION: *Email dated April 21, 2021 from Mary Stuart*

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From: Mary Stuart

Sent: April 21, 2021 8:00 AM

Subject: Re: OPSB meeting Comment

Thank you for allowing me to share my written statement. I'm writing today to express concerns I have with the OPS. I have become greatly concerned and increasingly upset while reading more and more headlines of the OPS abusing their power and demonstrating reprehensible behaviour more generally. From pointing guns at young teens to performing miscalculated and harmful no knock raids, that in some cases end in death, to sexism within the service (and more) - I do not support the OPS being given any increased funding nor power within our communities. I want to echo the sentiments of many community organizers who have spoken before this board in stating that I do not think OPS should be in schools, nor should they be given the power to lead mental health strategies in the community.

Kind regards,
Mary