

MINUTES  
LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE  
SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA TRAINING CENTER  
January 23, 2008

PRESENT: Joyce Bunn  
Loretta Evans, Chairperson  
Barbara Holmes  
Betty Meredith, Vice Chairperson  
Judy Padgett

OTHERS PRESENT: B. J. McKnight, Human Rights Advocate  
Deborah Lowe, LHRC Secretary  
Karen Poe, Facility Liaison  
Dr. Robert Smith, Director of Psychological Services

ABSENT: Charlotte Barkley  
Dr. Ohlen Wilson

The Local Human Rights Committee for Southwestern Virginia Training Center met on Wednesday, January 23, 2008, at 2:00 p.m. in Conference Room #2. Betty Meredith called the meeting to order.

On a motion by Barbara Holmes, and a second by Joyce Bunn, the minutes from the December 5, 2007 meeting were unanimously approved.

Karen Poe, Facility Liaison gave a report on Restrictive Plan Review Form Changes. She distributed a guideline for Common Psychiatric Medications and Non-prescription Drugs to each member. She will collect these and redistribute at each meeting.

On a motion by Betty Meredith and a second by Joyce Bunn the Local Human Rights Committee entered Closed Session pursuant to VA Code 2.2-3711.A(4) and (15) for the purpose of reviewing the restrictive behavior plans and/or medication reviews of residents. Such review would necessarily involve discussion and consideration of mental and medical records which are confidential and exempted from the Freedom of Information Act.

After review in Closed Session of the reports and restrictive behavior plans and medication reviews, a motion was made by Barbara Holmes and seconded by Betty Meredith that the LHRC convene in Open Session. The motion carried.

Upon reconvening in Open Session, the Local Human Rights Committee unanimously certified that, to the best of each member's knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempted from statutory open meeting requirements, and only public business matters identified in the motion to convene the Closed Session, were discussed in the Closed Session.

On a motion made by Barbara Holmes and a second by Joyce Bunn, the LHRC unanimously approved as presented individual programs presented by first names and register numbers for residents of Connections, New Horizon, and Pathways Cottages with three recommendations and two updates.

Under Other Business, recommendations were made regarding changes to the Restrictive Plan Review Form and other administrative issues regarding the review process that Karen Poe will summarize in a report to be mailed to each Committee member.

On a motion by Betty Meredith and a second by Joyce Bunn, the meeting adjourned.

The next meeting of the LHRC is scheduled for Wednesday, February 27, 2008.