

MINUTES
LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA TRAINING CENTER
June 27, 2007

PRESENT: Donald Lyons, Chairperson
Charlotte Barkley
Joyce Bunn
Loretta Evans
Dr. Ohlen Wilson
Betty Meredith
Denice Olinger
BJ McKnight, Human Rights Advocate
Karen Poe, Facility Liaison

ABSENT: Dr. Rafael Semidei, Psychiatrist
Wilma Brown

The Local Human Rights Committee for Southwestern Virginia Training Center met on Wednesday, June 27, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. in Conference Room #2. Chairperson, Donald Lyons, called the meeting to order and presided.

On a motion by Charlotte Barkley, and a second by Joyce Bunn, the minutes from May 23, 2007 meeting were unanimously approved.

Dr. Dale Woods presented a plaque to Denice Olinger for her service on the Committee. Dr. Woods and the Committee expressed their appreciation for her dedication. In addition, Denice was given flowers and a card.

Dr. Woods also thanked Don Lyons for his service to the Committee and congratulated him on being appointed to the State Human Rights Committee. A congratulatory card was presented to Don.

LHRC applicant interviews were held with Barbara Holmes and Judy Padgett. BJ McKnight thanked them for coming and noted that the applications will be forwarded to the State Human Rights Committee (SHRC). The applicants will be notified of the outcome after the July 13, 2007 SHRC meeting.

The Committee reviewed the Chairperson's draft letter to the SHRC regarding system issue of references for employees terminated for abuse/neglect. The letter will be mailed to the Chairperson of the SHRC as soon as possible. The Committee thanked Don Lyons for writing the letter.

A motion was made by Dr. Wilson and seconded by Charlotte Barkley and Betty Meredith that the Local Human Rights Committee go into Closed Session pursuant to VA Code 2.2-3711.A (4) and (15) for the purpose of hearing a follow-up report from Larry Smith, Chief of Program Support Services, on one abuse/neglect investigation.

Following Larry Smith's report, a motion was made by Loretta Evans and seconded by Joyce Bunn 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 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 Closed Session.

Thomas McKnight demonstrated the mobile mechanical restraint device. A demonstration was requested by the Committee during May's meeting.

A motion was made by Betty Meredith and seconded by Joyce Bunn that the Committee reconvene in Closed Session 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.

Upon reconvening in Open Session, the Local Human Rights Committee unanimously certified that, to the best of each member's knowledge, only public 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 Closed Session.

On a motion by Loretta Evans and a second by Betty Meredith, the LHRC unanimously approved as presented individual programs presented by first names and register numbers for residents of Connections, New Horizons, and Pathways Cottages. Charlotte Barkley abstained from one plan on Connections. The Committee requested two behavior plan updates in one month from Sharon Albertson and one behavior plan update in one month from Larry Myers.

The Committee nominated a new Chair and Vice-Chair. Charlotte Barkley and Loretta Evans nominated Dr. Wilson to be the Chair. Charlotte Barkley nominated Wilma Brown for Vice-Chair. BJ will call and ask them if they are willing to accept the nominations and a vote will be cast at the next meeting.

The Committee would like an update on the smoking cessation plans for residents.

The next meeting of the LHRC is scheduled for Wednesday, July 25, 2007.

A motion was made by Loretta Evans and seconded by the Committee that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried.

**SWVTC LHRC CLOSED SESSION ADDENDUM
JUNE 23, 2007**

Sharon Albertson

Presented (7) plans for Annual/Quarterly Review:

#230318, Samantha
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#545, Doug
#764, Brett

Sharon Albertson presented on behalf of Linda Primm-Edmonds

#508371, Richard
#178799, Roger
#174059010, Kevin

All plans were approved. More information requested in the plan section on the approval form for #508371. At this time, approval for medications for 3 months with 1 month update. Form shows 12 month approval.

Request for additional information on #178799. Approval for 1 month pending written consent. Bring back through LHRC.

Larry Myers

Presented (5) plans for Annual/Quarterly Review:

#306396, Mark
#254, Debbie
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#171753, Larry
#331553, Brandon

All plans were approved. One progress report, #254, was requested for next month. Bring daily weight charts and ask Dr. Mayberry to attend LHRC.

Thomas McKnight presented on behalf of Greg Huff

Presented (3) plans for Annual/Quarterly Review:

#300948, Kevin
#346, Steve
#251, Jerry

Presented (1) Update:

#652, Trish

All plans were approved.