

MINUTES
Southwestern Virginia Training Center
Human Rights Committee Meeting
July 28, 2010
2:00 p.m.

Members Present: Dona Blair, R.N.; Nancy Thurman; Judy Padgett; Charlotte Barkley; Loretta Evans, Chairperson; Betty Meredith, Vice-Chairperson

Others Present: B. J. McKnight, Human Rights Advocate; Karen Poe, Facility Liaison; Dale Woods, Ed. D., Director; Michele Laird; Dr. Janice Wilmoth, Psychologist

Absent: none

Loretta Evans called meeting to order. B. J. McKnight introduced new members, Dona and Nancy.

Approval of June 23, 2010 Meeting Minutes

Motion: Charlotte Barkley
Second: Betty Meredith

Public Comment: none

Members reviewed the revised membership list and agreed to add e-mail addresses and cell numbers of LHRC members and e-mail addresses of SWVTC employees to list.

Michele Laird, Risk Manager, presented SWVTC Instruction 542, Nutritional Management, revisions as part of a plan of correction for a substantiated neglect finding. SWVTC Instruction 542 was reviewed with no recommendations.

Michele Laird, Risk Manager, presented the Risk Management Report 4/1/10 through 6/30/10 and an Annual Event Report for FY Year 2009/2010. The report was reviewed without recommendations. The LHRC requested and Michele agreed to provide a list showing the number of residents per living unit with future reports.

B. J. McKnight, Human Rights Advocate, presented a request for extension of regulatory timeframe for appeal of human rights complaint. The extension would be through today, July 28, 2010. The request was approved unanimously following a motion by Dona Blair and a second by Betty Meredith.

Dr. Dale Woods, Director, reviewed Human Rights Complaint Plan of Correction for A. R. The plan of correction was accepted with no recommendation or updates. Dr. Woods also discussed census, which is now down to 185, and reviewed plans for closing cottage 5A targeted for end of August.

B. J. McKnight, Human Rights Advocate, presented Advocate's Report, which was a Review of the SHRC Memo "Update on Human Rights System Issues", June 21, 2010. LHRC will review the memo further and submit their comment to the SHRC in August.

The Local Human Rights Committee entered Closed Session pursuant to VA Code 2.2-3711.A (4) and (15) for the purpose of hearing/reviewing the SWVTC Monthly Restraint Report and 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.

Enter Closed Session

Motion: Betty Meredith
Second: Charlotte Barkley

Reconvene in Open Session

Motion: Charlotte Barkley
Second: Judy Padgett

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.

The Local Human Rights Committee reviewed the SWVTC Monthly Restraint Report with no recommendations. The LHRC unanimously approved as presented the individual behavior plans for residents of Connections, New Horizon, and Pathways Cottages with two (2) Recommendations and one (1) Update requested.

Motion: Betty Meredith

Second: Nancy Thurman

Karen Poe, Liaison, distributed to LHRC Members the requested Rewritten Positive Behavior Support Plans for August LHRC Meeting. The LHRC was under the impression based on discussion in last month's meeting that plans would be completely rewritten using person-centered language and this would be completed by mid-July. The plans they received were the original plans with wording crossed out and statements updated. LHRC requests, upon Karen Poe's recommendation, that Karen discuss this with Dr. Woods to clarify. The motion was made by Betty Meredith, seconded by Dona Blair, and unanimously carried.

Other Business: none

Adjourn

Motion: Charlotte Barkley

Second: Judy Padgett

SWVTC:BJM:dal:07/29/2010