

MINUTES
LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA TRAINING CENTER
October 24, 2007

PRESENT: Charlotte Barkley
Wilma Brown
Joyce Bunn
Loretta Evans, Chairperson
Barbara Holmes
Betty Meredith
Judy Padgett
Dr. Ohlen Wilson

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

The Local Human Rights Committee for Southwestern Virginia Training Center met on Wednesday, October 24, 2007, at 2:00 p.m. in Conference Room #2. Betty Meredith called the meeting to order and presided until Loretta Evans arrived.

On a motion by Dr. Wilson, and a second by Wilma Brown, the minutes from the September 26, 2007 meeting were unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Barbara Holmes and seconded by Judy Padgett that the Local Human Rights Committee go into Closed Session pursuant to VA Code 2.2-3711.A(4) and (15) for the Director's report on resident injury, Investigator's report on abuse/neglect case, and 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 Charlotte Barkley 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 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 Betty Meredith and a second by Dr. Wilson, 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 one recommendation and two updates to be given next month.

Charlotte Barkley made a motion, Wilma Brown seconded, and it was unanimously approved that the date of admission be added to the plans and also an indication whether the plan is an annual or quarterly review. Karen will add this to the form.

On a motion by Dr. Wilson and a second by Charlotte Barkley, the meeting adjourned.

The next meeting of the LHRC is scheduled for Wednesday, December 5, 2007.