

**PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY  
LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE  
MINUTES**

**September 2, 2015  
3:30 P.M.**

**Committee Members Present:** Deb Ward, Bill Greaver, Becky Spain, Juanita James, Reber Chergosky, Myra Wilson

**Committee Members Absent:** None

**CSB Staff:** Kelly Rinehimer, Janet Hall

**Regional Human Rights Advocate** – Cassie Purtlebaugh via phone  
**DBHDS Human Rights** - Anne Butz

**LHRC Affiliates Present:**

**Arc/Insight** – Tomica Timmons

**Community Concepts, Inc.** – Regina Goldston, Tiffany Walker, Donalda Jones

**Community Visions, LLC** – Stephanie Mote

**VA Home Based Services/VA Support Services** – Joseline Harris

**Guests:** None

**Behavior Consultants:**

**Alternative Path Training School** – Kimberly McLean

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The regular scheduled meeting of the Prince William Local Human Rights Committee was convened on September 2, 2015 at 3:35 p.m. in the Conference Room, Prince William Club, 8521 Phoenix Drive, Manassas, Virginia.

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**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

August 5, 2015

**RESOLUTION 09-02-01**

**MOTION:** Juanita James

**SECOND:** Becky Spain

**WHEREAS**, the Prince William Local Human Rights Committee has reviewed the minutes of August 5, 2015; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Prince William Local Human Rights Committee does hereby approve the minutes of the August 5, 2015 meeting.

**Vote:**

**Ayes**— Becky Spain, Juanita James, Myra Wilson

**Nays**—None

**Abstained From Vote** – Deb Ward, Bill Greaver

**Absent During Vote**—None

**Absent From Meeting**— Reber Chergosky

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**AUTHORIZED CLOSED SESSION**

**RESOLUTION 09-02-02**

**MOTION:** Deb Ward  
**SECOND:** Bill Greaver

**WHEREAS**, the Prince William County Local Human Rights Committee desires to discuss in Closed Session client related matters; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to VA Code 2.1-344(A) paragraph 15 for the protection of the privacy of individuals and their records in personal matters not related to public business such discussions may occur in Closed Session;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Prince William County Local Human Rights Committee does hereby authorize discussion of the aforesaid matters in Closed Session.

**Vote:**

**Ayes**— Deb Ward, Bill Greaver, Becky Spain, Juanita James, Myra Wilson

**Nays**—None

**Abstained From Vote** – None

**Absent During Vote**—None

**Absent From Meeting**— Reber Chergosky

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**CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION**

**RESOLUTION 09-02-03**

**MOTION:** Deb Ward  
**SECOND:** Bill Greaver

**WHEREAS**, the Prince William County Local Human Rights Committee has this day adjourned into Closed Session in accordance with a formal vote of the Committee, and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the Freedom of Information act requires certification that such Closed Session was conducted in conformity with the law;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Prince William County Local Human Rights Committee does hereby certify that to the best of their knowledge only matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements and only such matters for the protection of the privacy of individuals and their records in personal matters not related to public business were heard, discussed or considered.

**Vote:**

**Ayes**— Deb Ward, Bill Greaver, Becky Spain, Juanita James, Myra Wilson

**Nays**—None

**Abstained From Vote** – None

**Absent During Vote**—None

**Absent From Meeting**— Reber Chergosky

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**APPROVED THE CONTINUED USE OF RESTRICTIVE BEHAVIOR PLAN FOR E.N.**

**RESOLUTION 09-02-04**

**MOTION:** Becky Spain

**SECOND:** Deb Ward

**WHEREAS**, the Restrictive Behavior Plan for E.N. has been reviewed and approved for use by the Behavior Management Committee of the Prince William County Community Services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Restrictive Behavior Plan for E.N. has been presented to the Prince William Local Human Rights Committee for approval;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Prince William Local Human Rights Committee does hereby approve the Restrictive Behavior Plan for E.N.

**Vote:**

**Ayes**— Deb Ward, Bill Greaver, Becky Spain, Juanita James, Myra Wilson

**Nays**—None

**Abstained From Vote** – None

**Absent During Vote**—None

**Absent From Meeting**— Reber Chergosky

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## HUMAN RIGHTS ADVOCATE REPORT

Cassie Purtlebaugh reported the following:

### A. CHRIS reporting

- 1) Providers should notify Advocate if they are experiencing problems with the system. Helpful tips are available for completing reports. If you desire a copy of the tips, please email Cassie at [cassie.purtlebaugh@dbhds.virginia.gov](mailto:cassie.purtlebaugh@dbhds.virginia.gov)
- 2) Seeing great improvement in reporting. Still having some difficulties with the investigative tab. Again, Advocate is willing to assist if you contact her.
- 3) Explanation of CHRIS reports – what Cassie sees, OL does not, what OL sees, Cassie does not – don't assume OL/OHR knows if you have entered a CHRIS report - we are working hard to work collaboratively to improve the process and communication
- 4) Opening for Advocate in Fredericksburg area – have almost 100 applicants. We are in the process of rating the applicants and starting to set up interviews. Hopefully, we will have a new advocate assigned to this region in the next 30-45 days.
- 5) Commissioner notes:
  - a. Virginia's behavioral and developmental services systems continue to make major strides. In the month of July, Crisis Intervention Teams expanded in Loudoun County, Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) training courses continued, and, [through the leadership of Governor McAuliffe](#), multiple agencies continued collaborating on expanding housing options for the I/DD community. Ongoing workgroups, such as the Transformation Teams and the Waiver Design Advisory Committee, are also continuing their work
  - b. **Dr. Mary Clare Smith Named as New Western State Hospital Facility Director**

Dr. Mary Clare Smith has been [named](#) the new Director at Western State Hospital. She started this new position on August 3, 2015. Dr. Smith has worked in Virginia's behavioral health system for over 20 years, and most of her career was built on her psychiatric experience at Western State Hospital. Throughout her time there, she served as Acting Facility Director, Chief of Staff, Medical Director, Co-Medical Director, Assistant Chief of Staff, and Attending Psychiatrist. Dr. Smith's extensive experience includes: program development, implementation, and evaluation; supervising department heads; diagnosing and administering effective treatment to patients; recruiting and retaining staff; and financial management.

**c. Rappahannock Area CSB's Kenmore Club Presents 11th Annual Art of Recovery**

The Rappahannock Area Community Services Board's [Kenmore Club](#) is proud to present the 11th Annual Art of Recovery. The Art of Recovery provides a forum for artists living with mental health challenges to showcase their artwork in a variety of venues. The Art of Recovery builds community support, reduces stigma, and builds artists' confidence. The Art of Recovery is open to all individuals in recovery. The show begins each May at the Ponshop Art Gallery and Studio in Fredericksburg and travels through the state including C-Ville Café in Charlottesville, Walkerton Tavern in Henrico, and now the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services starting August 20, 2015.

**d. September 10 is World Suicide Prevention Day**

The International Association for Suicide Prevention (IASP) announced that September 10 [is World Suicide Prevention Day](#). This day is an opportunity for advocates, loved ones affected by suicide, researchers, mental health practitioners, policy leaders, and public officials to promote better understanding of suicide and its causes as well as effective solutions. Learn more about [what you can do](#), including joining the movement on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#).

**e. September is Older Virginians Mental Health Month**

September marks Older Virginians Mental Health Month, which recognizes the unique and complex behavioral needs of older adults in the Commonwealth. Mental health challenges can pose a serious risk to the health and well being of older adults, resulting in risks of increased disability, reduced independence, intensified caregiver stress, escalated mortality, and magnified risk of suicide. Depression, anxiety, and substance abuse should never be dismissed as a part of normal aging.

**f. 100 Day Challenge: Housing and Supportive Services for Individuals with I/DD**

As part of Virginia's commitment to tenets of the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the Olmstead decision, multiple agencies are collaborating on the [Housing and Supportive Services \(HSS\) initiative](#). This effort is aimed at increasing integrated, independent housing options for people with I/DD in the Northern Virginia, Hampton Roads and Richmond regions over a 100-day period. At the conclusion, all of the teams will

meet again to share their accomplishments and plan the next steps with state leaders and other community teams to keep this initiative moving forward.

## RECENT FACTS & FIGURES

### Training Center Census (August 3, 2015)

Name	July 2012 Census	July 2013 Census	July 2014 Census	August 3, 2015 Census
NVTC - Closure: By 3/30/2016	153	135	107	55
SWVTC - Closure: By 6/30/2018	173	156	144	122
CVTC - Closure: By 6/30 2020	350	301	288	230
SEVTC - Remains open	106	84	75	69
<b>Total</b>	<b>983</b>	<b>790</b>	<b>614</b>	<b>476</b>

### ID and DD Waiver Enrollment and Waiting Lists (August 2015)

	ID Waiver	DD Waiver
<b>Total Slots</b>	<b>10,707</b>	<b>1,013</b>
Urgent Waitlist	4,981	
Non-Urgent Waitlist	3,121	
<b>Total Waitlist</b>	<b>8,102</b>	<b>2,035</b>

### Mental Health Hospital, Hiram Davis and VCBR Census (August 4, 2015)

Name	August 2015
Catawba	101
Central State Hospital	227
Eastern State Hospital	287
Northern Virginia Mental Health Institute	122
Southern Virginia Mental Health Institute	63
Southwest Virginia Mental Health Institute	164
Western State Hospital	242
Piedmont Geriatric Hospital	118
Commonwealth Center for Children and Adolescents	21
Hiram Davis Medical Center	69
Virginia Center for Behavioral Rehabilitation	369
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,783</b>

## Stay Connected!

· **Waiver Updates Email List** – If you would like to be added to the email list to receive waiver redesign communications, please send your email address and your stakeholder status (e.g., self advocate, family member, provider agency representative, advocacy organization, etc.) to [waiverupdates@dbhds.virginia.gov](mailto:waiverupdates@dbhds.virginia.gov).

· **ALL IN! Email List** – Anyone interested in being included on this list can simply send his or her email address using the link [here](#).

· **Innovations** – If you would like to highlight an innovative program or service for future editions of ALL IN!, please send your submission (no more than two paragraphs) to the link [here](#).

1) Compliance Visits – Compliance visits are occurring regularly in our region and will look and feel more like a licensing visit – OL and Cassie working very closely, including investigations, license renewals, etc. If you send an email to one of us, please send it to both of us so that we can continue to improve our communication and assistance to your agency. Once we hire the new advocate for your area, you should begin to feel the changes that are taking place in OHR.

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**AUTHORIZED CLOSED SESSION**

**RESOLUTION 09-02-05**

**MOTION:** Deb Ward  
**SECOND:** Bill Greaver

**WHEREAS**, the Prince William County Local Human Rights Committee desires to discuss in Closed Session client related matters; and

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Prince William County Local Human Rights Committee does hereby authorize discussion of the aforesated matters in Closed Session.

**Vote:**

**Ayes**— Deb Ward, Bill Greaver, Becky Spain, Juanita James, Myra Wilson, Reber Chergosky

**Nays**—None

**Abstained From Vote** – None

**Absent During Vote**—None

**Absent From Meeting**— None

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**CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION**

**RESOLUTION 09-02-06**

**MOTION:** Juanita James

**SECOND:** Bill Greaver

**WHEREAS**, the Prince William County Local Human Rights Committee has this day adjourned into Closed Session in accordance with a formal vote of the Committee, and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

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**Vote:**

**Ayes**— Deb Ward, Bill Greaver, Becky Spain, Juanita James, Myra Wilson, Reber Chergosky

**Nays**—None

**Abstained From Vote** – None

**Absent During Vote**—None

**Absent From Meeting**— None

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**APPROVED THE CONTINUED USE OF RESTRICTIVE BEHAVIOR PLAN FOR R.D.**

**RESOLUTION 09-02-07**

**MOTION:** Becky Spain

**SECOND:** Deb Ward

**WHEREAS**, the Restrictive Behavior Plan for R.D. has been reviewed and approved for use by the Behavior Management Committee of the Prince William County Community Services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Restrictive Behavior Plan for R.D. has been presented to the Prince William Local Human Rights Committee for approval;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Prince William Local Human Rights Committee does hereby approve the Restrictive Behavior Plan for R.D.

**Vote:**

**Ayes**— Deb Ward, Bill Greaver, Becky Spain, Juanita James, Reber Chergosky,  
Myra Wilson

**Nays**—None

**Abstained From Vote** – None

**Absent During Vote**—None

**Absent From Meeting**—None

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**ANNUAL PROGRAM REVIEWS – CHRIS Report**

**VA Home Based Services / VA Support Services**

Joseline Harris presented the Annual Report for each of the services: VA Home Based and VA Support.

**Community Concepts, Inc.**

Donalda Jones presented the Annual Report for Community Concepts and noted there are 12 group homes.

**Community Visions, LLC**

Stephanie Mote presented the Annual Report for Community Visions, LLC and noted there are three day programs. Community Concepts has a vocational program which is a shop in Lorton called Charming Concepts.

**Bridging the Gap Family Services**

A representative was not present.

**Supportive Adult Services of VA**

A representative was not present.

**Lifting As We Climb**

A representative was not present.

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**NEW BUSINESS**

**Request for Affiliation**

Ability Home Services – Linus Tibui presented to the committee  
Precious Hands – Hortence Koudem presented to the committee  
Angels Care – Dannette Perkins and Terence Blackman presented to the committee  
First Care Services – Clotilda Cholt and Kenneth Ndikum presented to the committee

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**OLD BUSINESS**

The committee confirmed with Cassie Purtlebaugh that the LHRC is to hear the requests for affiliation but are not responsible for approval.

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**NEW BUSINESS**

**Election of Chairperson**

Deb Ward was unanimously elected as the PWC Local Human Right Committee Chairperson. Becky Spain was unanimously elected as the Vice-Chairperson. Reber Chergosky was unanimously elected as the Secretary.

**Annual LHRC Report to the Board**

Becky Spain will present the Annual LHRC Report to the CS Board at the October 15, 2015 meeting.

Committee noted to make sure personal and identifying client information is not showing on BMC/LHRC documents provided in the packets. Documents should be reviewed prior to the LHRC meeting to ensure identifying information has been marked out.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

**RESOLUTION 09-02-08**

**MOTION:** Bill Greaver

**SECOND:** Deb Ward

There being no further business to discuss, the September 2, 2015 meeting of the Local Human Rights Committee was adjourned at 5:25p.m.

**Vote:**

**Ayes**— Deb Ward, Bill Greaver, Becky Spain, Juanita James, Reber Chergosky,  
Myra Wilson

**Nays**—None

**Abstained From Vote** – None

**Absent During Vote**—None

**Absent From Meeting**—None

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