

Virginia Beach Area
Local Human Rights Committee
The James Barry Robinson Center
443 Kempsville Road
Norfolk, VA 23502
07/20/2018 at 9:00 AM

MEMBERS PRESENT-

Paula Harr, Chair
Andrea Lawson- Vice Chair
Felicia F. Sawyer
Mark Douglass

MEMBERS ABSENT-

Carolyn Scott

OTHERS PRESENT -

Courtney Myles- LHRC Support Liaison, DBHDS- Region 5
Stewart Prost- LHRC Human Rights Advocate, DBHDS- Region 5
Kerry Kruk- Virginia Beach DHS- LHRC Liaison
Diane Colie- Virginia Beach DHS- SkillQuest Services
Julie Delk- James Barry Robinson Center- LHRC Liaison

CALL TO ORDER-

Ms. Paula Harr called meeting to order at 9:09 AM. Those in attendance made introductions to include their name and title.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA-

Mr. Prost requested that the Restrictions on Freedoms of Everyday Life training go after closed session. **The July 20, 2018 agenda was motioned to be accepted by Ms. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Sawyer and unanimously approved by the committee members with the added corrections.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES-

Mr. Prost noted an error with the use of the term “co-chair” instead of “vice chair”. **The approval of the April 30, 2018 minutes was motioned to be accepted by Ms. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Sawyer and unanimously approved by the committee members, with the noted corrections.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS-

None

CHAIR-PERSON ANNOUNCEMENTS-

None

ADVOCATE REPORT-

- Mr. Prost introduced Mark Douglass as the newest member of the Virginia Beach Area LHRC Committee.
- Virginia Beach Area LHRC Committee is now a full committee with 5 members.
- We are currently seeking a new member to join the committee in Ms. Sawyer's position as she rotates off the committee June 2019.

NEW BUSINESS:

Variances Update

- Virginia Beach DHS-
Ms. Kerry Kruk presented an overview of its State Human Rights Committee (SHRC) approved variance to the LHRC members. The quarterly update is a requirement imposed by the SHRC when the variance was approved.
 - Approval of variance granted was by the SHRC in October 2017 for 3 years.
 - The variance addresses telephone use and visitation.
 - Short term restriction (typically 10 days)
 - 8 instances of contraband that were provided to staff or discovered during intake for the quarter and 23 instances for the year.
 - 0 instances of contraband obtained from an outside contact on the premises or carried in by an outside visitor.
 - 0 complaints about the variance.
 - Variance is for the Crisis Stabilization Program (The Pathways Center)

- James Barry Robinson

Ms. Julie Delk presented an overview of its State Human Rights Committee (SHRC) approved variance to the LHRC members. The quarterly update is a requirement imposed by the SHRC when the variance was approved.

- Approval of variance was granted by the SHRC in October 2017 for 3 years.
- Telephone and visitation restrictions
- Program provides for children starting at age 6.
- At the time of admission, an approved list of contacts is created with the input from the client, clinician and the AR or legal guardian.
- 0 Complaints of the variance.

OLD BUSINESS

None

CLOSED SESSION

Motion was made by Mr. Douglass, seconded by Ms. Lawson and unanimously approved by the committee members at 9:25 AM that the Virginia Beach Area- LHRC will go into closed session pursuant to VA Code 2.2-3711(A), for the purposes of protecting the privacy of individuals in personal matters not related to public business, namely for the purpose of hearing from Virginia Beach DHS regarding a Restrictive Treatment Plan.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The committee reconvened in open session at 9:34 AM by unanimous vote on a motion by Ms. Lawson and seconded by Mr. Douglass. Each member certified that, to the best of each member's knowledge, only private business matters, lawfully exempted from statutory open session requirements and identified in the motion by which the closed session was convened, were considered in the closed session.

Recommendation:

None

Restrictions on Freedoms of Everyday Life Training

Mr. Prost conducted the Restrictions on Freedoms of Everyday Life Training for the members of the Virginia Beach Area-LHRC.

NEXT MEETING- October 19, 2018, 9:00 AM at the James Barry Robinson Institute- 443 Kempsville Rd, Norfolk, VA 23502

MEETING ADJOURNED-

Motion made to ADJOURN the meeting by Ms. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Douglass at 10:00 AM with the unanimous approval of the committee members.