

METROPOLICAL LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE  
DRAFT MINUTES  
September 28, 2023  
9:30 a.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Danielle Johnson, Co-Chair  
Pamela Jones, Secretary  
Kiva Gatewood, Member  
Nikivias Goode, Member  
Nikea Hardy, Member  
Sharae Henderson, Member

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Mark Smallcomb, Member

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Amaya Henderson, Advocate

**CALL TO ORDER**

Danielle Johnson, Co-Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:55 am.  
Introductions were made by all present

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Kiva Gatewood made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Nikia Hardy and approved by all.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed. A correction to the misspelling of Ms. Draughn's name was corrected.. Nikivias Goode made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Nikea Hardy and approved by all.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

**ADVOCATE REPORT AND TRAINING**

Amaya Henderson submitted her Region 4, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter report for 2023.  
For the quarter ending 9/30/23 (as of 9/19/23) in Region 4:

- 22 Complaints involving allegations of ANE (CSB)
- 366 Complaints involving allegations of ANE (Providers)
- 8 Complaints non involving ANE (CSB)
- 32 Complaints non involving ANE (Providers)

This is a decrease of 97 total complaints from Q2 to Q3. Of Q3's 462 total complaints, 79 allegations involving ANE were substantiated.

Community Look behinds have resumed. The new Peer to Peer aggression reporting guidance went into effect 6/23/23. There is a new DBHDS branding/logo. The statewide suicide and crisis hotline (988) was established approximately one year ago, and the call center has reported receiving approximately 6,000 calls per month. @vadbhds is the department's Instagram account. The department is currently recruiting for a Region 2 Regional Advocate Manager and a Training and Development Coordinator. September is Recovery Month. Virginia Resource located can be found at [curbthecrisis.com](http://curbthecrisis.com).

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Pamela Jones made a motion to elect Sharae Henderson as the committee's chair. This was seconded by Nikea Hardy and approved by all

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

The committee heard requests for Review of Restrictions to Dignity/Freedoms of Everyday Life from Brighter Prospectives Residential and Voyage Behavioral Health of behalf of Riggins Day Support Program.

RBHA implemented a written policy/protocol to address response time on communication from crisis department to case management as a result of committee recommendations from a previous hearing.

#### **CLOSED (EXECUTIVE) SESSION**

N/A

#### **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

N/A

#### **NEXT MEETING**

A motion was made by Pamela Jones to hold a sub committee meeting on October 26, 2023 to handle any committee business. This was seconded by Kiva Gatewood and approved by all. Kiva Gatewood made a motion to have the next full committee meeting on January 25, 2024. This was seconded by Nikivias Goode and approved by all.

#### **MEETING ADJOURNED**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Pamela Jones at 11:34 am. This motion was seconded by Kiva Gatewood and approved by all.

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