

# **CENTRAL REGION LHRC**

Draft Minutes

November 20, 2024

9:30 a.m.

7810 Winterpock Rd., Chesterfield, VA 23832

## **Members Present:**

Edward Helton, Jr., Chair  
Bonnie Greene, Vice Chair  
Robyn Scott, Member  
Londella Hamilton, Member  
Deborah Greene, Member  
Wanangwa Mkandawire, Member

## **Members Absent**

Charita Threatt, Secretary

## **Staff Present**

Bridgette Bland, DBHDS OHR Advocate  
Amaya Henderson, DBHDS OHR Advocate

Amy McCorkill – Counseling Advocacy Associates  
Candace Carey – Walls Residence

## **Call to Order**

We were welcomed and called to order by Edward Helton at 9:38 am. It was noted, we do have enough persons in attendance for a quorum.

## **Roll call/Attendance**

Those in attendance made introductions. Chair welcomes attendees.

## **Approval of Agenda**

Bonnie Greene motioned to approve the agenda, and it was seconded by Wanangwa Mkandawire. Motion was approved to accept the agenda as it is drafted.

## **Review and Approval of Minutes**

Bridgette proposed a correction for the date change of August 21, 2024, instead of May 15, 2024. There were no further corrections, and Edward called for the approval of the minutes. Deborah Greene made a motion with it properly seconded by Londella Hamilton to approve the minutes with the correction of the date.

## **Public Comments**

No public comments

## **Chairperson Announcements**

No announcements by Chair

## **Advocate Report**

- a. Quarterly ANE and complaint statistics

- For the quarter ending 9/30/2024 in Region 4:
  - **29** Complaints involving allegations of ANE (CSB)
  - **446** Complaints involving allegations of ANE (Providers)
  - **10** Complaints not involving ANE (CSB)
  - **58** Complaints not involving ANE (Providers)
    - o **543 Total Complaints Received**
  - Of Q3's 543 total complaints in region 4, 161 allegations involving ANE were substantiated, 6 violations were found regarding complaint not involving ANE. (457 complaints received in Q2).
- b. Upcoming Events
- LHRC recruitment – Andrea Milhouse for recruitment purposes for anyone interested in joining
  - Cheryl Young will retire officially December 1, 2024.
  - Heather Norton has accepted the position of Deputy Commissioner for Community Services.
  - Next SHRC meeting is December 12, 2024: Central Office – Richmond, Virginia
  - There is an open public comment forum for 30 days on this DRAFT Noncontroversial Streamlining, Clarifying, and Regulatory Reductions to Chapter 115.
  - Guidance regarding duplicate complaints
  - The applicant that was interested in joining has removed their application due to consecutive membership at another meeting.
- c. LHRC training
- FOIA update requirements
- Edward asked if you could access the information that is accessible online.
- Deborah questioned the timing of notification for request for a virtual participation and when the link would be sent. For clarity, Bridgette responded that a member must notify the Chair and Bridgette, and once the meeting has a quorum, the body can vote on whether the member can join virtually. The reason and location of the member must be clearly stated, and the body must be informed, and it noted in the meeting minutes.
- Deborah also asked if more evidence in one complaint versus another, if it matters whether it is duplicate or not.

### **Old Business**

- None

### **New Business**

- a. Follow -Up Restriction Review- Wall Residences  
Candace Carey presenting.
- Restriction is for video monitoring, due to the individual always being nonverbal and multiple seizures. Deborah asked if the video is in the exact room and who is the exact requester of the video. The doctor and guardian have requested and is in favor of the video staying in place. Londella asked if during the period that the video monitoring has shown any improvements in the information gathering or improvements in their care. Candace responded yes, the video monitoring has

improved their level of care and quick response. Deborah also asked the exact time of video monitoring which it was stated, it is only on during the night when they are in their room. There were no further questions.

Chair notified that they would receive communication regarding the outcome of the Request from the advocate.

b. Restriction Review: Counseling Advocacy and Associates

Amy McCorkill presenting.

An individual with a seizure disorder, who lives in a sponsored residential home with their mother as their sponsor. The individual does not make any noise when having a seizure. Mom is requesting video monitoring due to the bedrooms being on two levels of the house and the requirement of checking every hour. They have a monitor with a motion alert, which alerts when there is movement. Mother can recognize signs of the seizure.

Chair notified that they would receive communication regarding the outcome of the Request from the advocate.

c. LHRC 2025 Meeting Location and Schedule

January 15, 2024 – alternative date, for an appeal or restriction review; only if there is a need for a meeting. The location, 7810 Winterpock Avenue, has been verified for the meeting place. Deborah asked if you are not available when should you notify someone.

**Closed Session**

Upon a motion made by Bonnie Greene and seconded by Deborah Greene, the committee entered closed session at 10:17 am pursuant to Virginia Code 2.2-3711(A) for the protection of the privacy of individuals in personal matters not related to public business namely for the purpose of Restriction Review.

- Restriction Review deliberation conducted in closed session.

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

Upon a motion made by Bonnie Greene and seconded by Londella Hamilton, the committee returned to the open session at 10:27 am. Upon reconvening in an open session, 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, namely, to conduct a Restriction Review.

Londella Hamilton made a motion and Deborah Greene seconded the motion to approve the approval and recommendations made in closed session. The motion was unanimously approved by all committee members with recommendations to present annually for both individuals. A separate recommendation was made for Counseling Advocacy and Associates to update the committee during the February 19, 2025 meeting on the type of monitoring device.

**Adjournment**

The next meeting will be held February 19, 2025, 9:30 am: 7810 Winterpock Rd., Chesterfield, VA 23832. An alternative meeting, if needed, will be on January 15, 2024.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:29 am.