

Western State Hospital  
Staunton, Virginia

**Local Human Rights Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**Jeffreys Building, Room 95 at 12:30 p.m.**  
**May 22, 2006**

Present: Flora Haas, Vice Chair, Ski Washington, Debbie Harris, Committee Members;  
Randy Urgo, Advocate; Susan Frushour, Director's Liaison; Chuck Collins,  
Regional Advocate  
Absent: Marge Brimmer, Stephen Ryan, Karen Cochran, Mark Seymour, Advocate,  
CCCA, and Rebecca Currin, VOPA

Flora Haas, Vice-Chair, called the meeting of the Local Human Rights Committee to order on May 22, 2006. It was noted that a quorum of members was not present. Minutes for the March 27<sup>th</sup> and April 24<sup>th</sup> meetings were reviewed with approval postponed until the June meeting.

A petition for an individual to be presented by the Advocate was postponed until the June meeting due to the lack of a quorum.

The Committee interviewed two prospective members with their applications being approved by the Committee. These applications will be submitted to the SHRC for approval.

The Advocate gave his monthly report with the emerging issue being the food served to individuals at the hospital. Discussion followed with the recommendation to have the Director of Nutrition Services and the CFO attend the June meeting to discuss this issue.

Ms. Frushour reviewed the Barriers to Discharge Report and gave an update on an individual from last month's report.

The Annual Review of Ward Rules for A5 was presented and reviewed with the suggestion to rewrite language under "noise" and this will be voted on at the next meeting.

The petition for an individual was discussed and postponed to next month's meeting due to the lack of a quorum. The Advocate will speak with the client to determine whether the risk of substantial harm will result if his complaint is not resolved immediately under 12 VAC 35-115-190. If an emergency hearing is required, the Advocate will contact Committee members.

The Annual Review of Ward Rules for A6 was postponed until the June meeting due to the lack of a quorum.

The next meeting will be held on June 26, 2006.

**APPROVED:**

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Margaret Bowman  
Secretary, LHRC

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Karen Cochran  
Chair, LHRC