

Western State Hospital
Staunton, Virginia

***Local Human Rights Committee Meeting Minutes
Jeffreys Building, Room 86/87 at 9:00 a.m.
April 28, 2008***

Present: Debbie Harris, Ski Washington, Linda Thumma, Karen Cochran, Committee Members; Susan Frushour, Director's Liaison; Brenda Coleman and Zachary DeVore, VOPA; Chuck Collins, Regional Advocate
Guests: Alex Gulotta, Nathan Veldhuis, Legal and Justice Center; Clara Ramos, LAR for client; Steve Johnson, Gerald McKeegan, Robert Argiro, Sue Cook, Carol Glascock, Carol Bady, Allison Bell, Martha Sparks, Amy Shillinger, Jerry Smith, and Alejandro Rosa, WSH Staff; Isolina Nunez, interpreter; and James Gordon
Absent: David Reed and Mr. C.C., client

Debbie Harris, Chair, called the meeting of the Local Human Rights Committee to order on April 28, 2008. The agenda was approved as presented. A quorum of members was present. Minutes of the January meeting were reviewed and approved.

The Committee heard the continuance of the petition for hearing presented by Mr. Alex Gulotta and Mr. Nathan Veldhuis on behalf of Mr. C.C., the complainant, with regard to alleged violations of the following sections of The Rules and Regulations:

1. 12 VAC 35-115-100 – Restrictions on freedoms of everyday life.
2. 12 VAC 35-115-110 – Use of seclusion, restraint, and time out.
3. 12 VAC 35-115- 50 – Dignity.
4. Number of other State and Federal laws.

Due to the inability to finish the proceedings today, a continuance of the petition was unanimously approved by members for May 19, 2008 to begin at 12:30 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED:

Margaret Bowman
Secretary, LHRC

Debbie Harris
Chair,