

**Danville-Pittsylvania County Regional
Local Human Rights Committee**

December 9, 2010
United Way Building

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NOTE: These minutes are subject to approval by the LHRC at its next meeting. Should revisions be made, they will be included as an item in the minutes of that meeting.

LHRC Members in Attendance: Greg Casker, Jeff Rodden, Esther Goins, Lesa Shelton

LHRC Members Not in Attendance: Jeanne White, Beverly Scruggs

Other Representatives in Attendance: Roanna Deal, SVMHI Patient Advocate Senior

Affiliates Not In Attendance: Alliant Human Services; Children and Family Services; Danville Regional Medical Center; Johnny's Heroes

Minutes Recorder: Jerri Phillips, SVMHI

LHRC Minutes and Meeting Schedule: The Local Human Rights Committee (LHRC) minutes and meeting schedule can be located on the Southern Virginia Mental Health Institute's Web Page @ www.svmhi.dbhds.virginia.gov under the heading of Client Advocacy.

Welcome/Call to Order: Greg Casker called to order the meeting of the Danville-Pittsylvania County Regional Local Human Rights Committee at 5:30 PM.

Approval of Minutes: October 14, 2010 minutes were approved.

Affiliation Request: Pam Stokes with Kingdom Dominion requested affiliation for a Residential Group Home in the Danville Region. They serve individuals 18 and older with intellectual disabilities. Lesa Shelton made a motion for approval; Esther Goins seconded with committee approval.

Susan Meadows with Negril announced that their services have expanded to the Richmond area.

Affiliate Reports:

- **Alternative Community Services** – No complaints; no abuse allegations. Ms. Scott reported that ACE recently had an emergency admission that is doing well. A recent CVTC admission was transferred to another facility. They now have an adult literacy teacher which has been well received..
- **All Care Family Services** – No complaints; no neglect/abuse.
- **A New Inspiration** – No changes in service; no abuse/neglect. They are currently advertising for employees.
- **DPCS – Mental Health/Substance Abuse Services** – One complaint in the Behavioral Service was reported.
- **DPCS – Intellectual and Developmental Services** – No program changes; one peer-to-peer incident in the Day Support Service. Staff was terminated for abuse/neglect in not intervening in the situation.
- **Doss Estates** – No allegations. They have completed correction of a Human Rights allegation and training of employees.
- **Family Preservation Services** – No program changes; no allegations. They will soon have staff changes.

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- **Hughes Home for Exceptional Children** – 50 peer-to-peer incidents over the past two months. No program changes. A staff member scheduled for termination of employment left kids unattended and walked away.
- **Kingdom Dominion** – Nine new staff being trained. No reports of abuse, neglect.
- **MT Sorrell Home/ARC of Southside** – Currently serving 10 residents. No peer-to-peer; no complaints. Human Rights training has been completed. There are 3 new direct care workers. One employee was recently dismissed for tardiness. The Home recently received a grant for which they are very excited.
- **Negril, Inc** – They are serving 35 residents and 32 Day Support consumers. No peer-to-peer interactions. Five new staff has been hired.
- **New Hope Support Services** – No reports of neglect or complaints. They recently had an unannounced audit regarding licensure and did well.
- **SVMHI** – This year SVMHI is reporting over 400 admissions with an average daily population of 75. Construction continues at the facility with renovations beginning in the patient area starting December 21. Emergency drills for next year include Workplace Violence and Code Adam. Staff and clients have participated in two Take Shelters due to tornado warnings recently. The Recovery Department hosted a Holiday Open House for resident, volunteers and guests.
- **Stanfield Group Home** – They currently have no residents.
- **The Fletcher Center** – Currently serving 9 patients. No allegations of abuse, neglect, no Human Rights complaints.

Esther Goins requested that each affiliate submit a program outline consisting of purpose of the organization; type of people served. This information should be submitted to R. Deal, along with 7 copies for the committee.

A consumer is needed for the committee. There is an application process in order to be considered, please contact Roanna Deal to refer consumers.

No blanket affiliation agreement from the State has been received.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7 PM.

Next Meeting: February 10th with a snow date of February 24th at 5:30 PM, United Way of Danville-Pittsylvania County