

**MINUTES
LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE MEETING**

**February 13, 2007 – 4:00 P.M.
24 Clay Street – 1st Floor IOP Conference Room**

ATTENDING: Richard Cobb, Aleen Wilson, Jerri Crews, Jim Potter, Gudrun Chase

OTHERS ATTENDING: Patty Thompson (EHS Support Services), Dianne Hairston and Mary Menefee (Mayo Residential), Peggy Tunnell (Memorial Hospital), and Jim Rountree and Becky Lovell (Piedmont Community Services).

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jerry Womack, Rob Hiatt, and Sharon Leftwich

Committee Chairman Richard Cobb brought the meeting to order.

I. Approval of Committee Minutes – Richard Cobb

After reviewing the minutes for the September 12 and December 5, 2006 meetings, a motion was made, seconded and passed to approve these minutes as presented. (Note: The minutes for the September 12 meeting were not approved at the December 5 meeting due to the lack of a quorum.)

II. CBS Activities – Jim Rountree

- a. Jim reported that PCS is moving forward in the construction of a new clinical office building in Rocky Mount. The building will be located on Technology Drive.
- b. PCS is moving ahead with plans to construct a new clinical office in Patrick County. They are currently located in an older home in Stuart and have outgrown this facility.
- c. PCS also has plans to construct another group home for mentally handicapped individuals in Martinsville. There are two locates in the city being considered. This is a HUD project.
- d. PCS has had one complaint and it has been resolved.
- e. PCS has hired additional case managers in an effort to strengthen case management. The state has also recently put more emphasis on case management.

III. LHRC Recruitment – Richard Cobb

- a. The LHRC terms for both Richard Cobb and Jerry Womack expire June 30, 2007. Richard is not eligible to serve an additional term; however, Jerry is eligible to serve one more term. Becky talked with Jerry regarding his term and

he indicated that he is interested in continuing to serve; however, he wants to reserve the right to resign should he find it necessary. There remains a vacancy on the committee and this slot needs to be filled by a professional.

- b. The committee discussed potential committee members. Paul Jones, whose term expired June 30, 2006, was mentioned as a possible returning member. Becky will contact him to see if he is interested. Gudrun recommended Bettye Fulcher, a special education aide who works in her department. Becky will get an application in the mail to her.

IV. Regional Advocate's Report – Sherry Miles (Becky Lovell reported in Sherry's absence due to inclement weather in the Lynchburg area.)

- a. Status of Human Rights Regulations – Becky reported that the regulations are still in the revision process. Sherry will report more at the next meeting.

- b. The upcoming SHRC meeting will take place in Danville on April 20, at 10:15 a.m. The location will be announced at a later date.

- c. Peer-to-Peer Reports – Sherry will report on this at the next meeting.

- d. Capacity Evaluations – Sherry will report on this at the next meeting.

VI. Affiliate Reports - None

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

UPCOMING MEETING DATES:

Tuesday, May 8, 2006, 4:00 p.m. – Quality Inn/Dutch Inn, Meeting and Annual Appreciation Dinner

Tuesday August 14, 2007, 4:00 p.m. – 24 Clay Street

Tuesday, November 6, 2007, 4:00 p.m. – 24 Clay Street

Respectfully submitted by:

Dr. James E. Rountree, Sr.