

**DRAFT
MINUTES
LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE MEETING
AND APPRECIATION DINNER**

May 4, 2010 – 4:00 P.M.

Quality Inn/Dutch Inn, Collinsville, Martinsville, VA

LHRC MEMBERS ATTENDING: Aleen Wilson, Nancy Davis, Jerri Crews and Jerry Womack

MEMBERS ABSENT: Sharon Shepherd and John Potter,

OTHERS ATTENDING: Sharon Wilson - Blue Ridge Counseling Services, Jenny Delorenzo and Will Childers - Hope Tree Family Services, Dianne Hairston and Mary E. Menefee - Mayo Residential, LLC, Bobbie Seamster - National Counseling Group, Ann Minnix and Jeannie Odachowski- Family Preservations Services, Lois Barbour - Pioneer Health, Cynthia Eply and Sandra Lawson - Claye Corp., Lisa Stump - ATIBA Youth Intervention Services, Vicki Adams – Mpowering Kids, LLC, Donna Hodges, Kelly Moore, Jessica Moricle and Chuck Moore – EHS Support Services, Angie Furrow – Didlake/Rising Opportunities, Sherry Miles – Regional Advocate, Becky Lovell, Bonita Vipperman and Jim Tobin - Piedmont Community Services.

Aleen Wilson, Chairman, brought the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

I. Approval of February 2, 2010 Minutes

After reviewing the minutes from the February 2, 2010 meeting, a motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes as presented.

II. CSB Activities – Becky Lovell

- a. Becky reported that the state budget cuts for PCS were not a bad as expected. The agency has had no staffing cuts due to the budget cuts; however, they do have some open positions that will not be filled in the foreseeable future.
- b. PCS has purchased three lots at the corner of Church Street Extension and Booker Road. This land will be used for future development.

III. Regional Advocate’s Report – Sherry Miles

- a. Sherry stressed the importance of documenting all events. She said, “if it happens, write it down, it needs to be documented in the progress notes”. When a consumer dies, there should be documentation in the file regarding the death and communication with the family. She has seen some progress notes with nothing about a consumer’s death or family communication. Proper documentation can help protect you.

- b. Consumers should have someone with them at the Emergency Room at all times, even if they go during the night. Consumers should not be left alone at the ER. Everyone needs to have a “3rd Shift Emergency Plan” in place to insure that a consumer has someone with them at all times during ER visits regardless of the time of day or night.

IV. Recruitment (LHRC) – Aleen Wilson

Sherry encouraged affiliates to make recommendations for LHRC members. The LHRC currently needs two consumers to serve three-year terms. Recommendations of people who might be interested in serving should be made to Sherry Miles or Becky Lovell. An interview with a potential member scheduled at this meeting was cancelled due to illness and will be rescheduled.

V. Affiliation requests - None

VI. Affiliation Reports –

1. National Counseling – Bobbie Jo Seamster – National Counseling has 20 sites across Virginia. They are adding other programs and accepting referrals. They had no reports of abuse/neglect to report.

2. Horizons - Jerry Womack – Jerry reported that the Martinsville Horizons program has 19 clients a day and they are fully staffed.

3. Family Preservation Services – Ann Minnix and Jeannie Odachowski – Ann Minnix reported that FPS is providing therapeutic services and intensive in-home services. Their Therapeutic Summer Program begins June 21. Jeannie reported that they will be able to provide summer day treatment services to 120-125 clients.

4. Mayo Residential – Diane Hairston – Mayo Residential has five clients. They have had no reports of abuse/neglect.

5. MPowering Kids – Vicki Adams – MPowering Kids reported that they have had their final review.

6. Pioneer Behavioral Health – Lois Barbour – Pioneer Behavioral Health has three clients and had one complaint that has been resolved.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m. and the Annual Appreciation Dinner followed. During the dinner, Aleen Wilson recognized Jerry Womack for his LHRC service and presented him with a plaque in appreciation for his service. Jerry has served two terms and is not eligible to serve another term until he has been off of the committee for one year.

Upcoming Meeting Dates:

- August 3, 2010, 4-6:00 pm., 24 Clay Street
- November 16, 2010, 4-6:00 pm, 24 Clay Street

Respectfully submitted by:

Becky Lovell