

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

October 14, 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, Jeanne White, Kelly Matthews

**LHRC Members Not in Attendance:** Lesa Shelton, Beverly Scruggs

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

**Affiliates Not In Attendance:** All Care Family Services; Alliant Human Services; Children and Family Services; Hughes Home for Exceptional Children; MT Sorrell Home

**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.dmhmrzas.virginia.gov](http://www.svmhi.dmhmrzas.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:** August 12, 2010 draft minutes were approved.

**Executive Session:** The motion was made and passed that the Danville-Pittsylvania County Regional LHRC to go into Executive Session pursuant to Virginia Code, 2.2-3711A (4 & 15), for the purpose of discussing a Next Friend Request for S.D. This review necessarily involved discussion and consideration of mental and medical records excluded and information excluded from the Freedom of Information Act.

Upon reconvening in public session, the Danville-Pittsylvania County Regional LHRC unanimously certified that to the best of each Committee member's knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempt from statutory open meeting requirements, and only public business matters identified in the motion to convene the Executive Session were discussed in the Executive Session.

**Affiliation Agreement:** Kirby Wright informed the committee that the State Human Rights Committee is working on a general Affiliation Agreement which will include committee rules, meeting attendance requirements, dues, legal issues and guidance for local committees. The Committee decided to table the review until receipt of State recommendations.

**Affiliate Reports:**

- **A New Inspiration:** No abuse/neglect reported
- **Alternative Community Services:** Ace recently hired 12 employees and is still advertising. They recently had a CVTC patient admitted to their service and adjustment is going smoothly. No complaints/allegations/neglect reported. No peer-to-peer reports.

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- **Danville-Pittsylvania CSB Intellectual Services:** No human rights complaints; no peer-to-peer incidents. A recent site review went well with no citations. No new programs/changes to report. *One patient had surgery and was required to use protective mittens while healing. No problems were noted.*

*Chairman Casker reminded affiliates to report any restrictive measures when they occur. He also reminded affiliates that the committee serves as a liaison between meetings to support and work with each affiliate as needed. He expressed appreciation for the work the affiliates provide the community and their clients.*

- **Danville-Pittsylvania CSB Behavioral Health Services:** No abuse/neglect. No peer-to-peer/ no human rights complaints. Crisis Stabilization Services has now opened and has served several patients.
- **Danville Regional Medical Center:** No new programs/no complaints.
- **Doss Estates:** No abuse to report, no peer-to-peer incidents. An outpatient extensive dental procedure went well for a resident. They recently completed a Human Rights review, making one correction.
- **Family Preservation:** The schools are now providing one-on-one care for students rather than Family Preservation. No other changes noted with the exception that the office in South Boston has moved to ????. No complaints reported.
- **Johnny's Heroes:** No clients
- **Kingdom Dominion:** Day Treatment care for about 30 children. No complaints to report. They are currently networking with colleges so that students can tour the campuses.
- **Negril:** There was one peer to staff incident to report – no other allegations.
- **New Hope:** No complaints. A recent site review was successful with no citations.
- **Southern Virginia Mental Health Institute:** No abuse/neglect to report. The hospital is currently undergoing a heating/air renovation project which is disruptive to treatment. This will be completed in approximately 6 months.
- **Stanfield Group Home:** They are just getting licensed and will hold an Open House on 10/23/10 (Lindhurst Drive). The Home will serve the intellectually disabled.
- **The Fletcher Center:** This program is for the chemically dependent; follows a 12 step plan; will be adding a children's program. No human rights violations.

**Advocate's Report:** Many site reviews have been completed successfully. Reminders:

- Reports are due by the 5<sup>th</sup> – preferably via email
- Keep up documentation. This is helpful with investigations. Documentation must be dated and legible.
- There must be annual staff training for human rights – competency based (a test must be passed and placed in the employee's file)
- CPR & First Aid need to be up-to-date
- If you need posters, blue books with Roanna's name – let her know

**Affiliation Request:**

- **Negril:** Kirby Wright summarized Negril's recent licensure for Day Treatment and Mental Health Support Services. They wish to serve those youth who have not adjusted to the traditional school setting. They will have a therapeutic day treatment/alternative school, in addition to an after school program. Date of opening is the third week in October. The committee was given an extensive Service Description for review. A motion for affiliation approval was made by Jeanne White; seconded by Esther Goins; approved by the committee.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.

**Next Meeting:** December 9, 2010, 5:30 PM, United Way of Danville-Pittsylvania County

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