

BAY REGIONAL
LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE MEETING
DRAFT MINUTES

Date: September 13, 2010

Location: Sleep Inn Suites, 3280 Western Branch Boulevard, Chesapeake, VA 23321

Committee Members Present:

Richard E. Bishop

Tamesha Giddens

Renee Green

Human Rights Advocate:

Stewart Prost

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Chairperson Richard E. Bishop.

The minutes of the June 17, 2010 meeting minutes were reviewed by the committee. It was moved, seconded, and voted to approve the June 7 minutes as presented.

Mr. Bishop asked everyone to introduce themselves.

ADVOCATES REPORT:

Mr. Stewart Prost reported that at the present time there were only three staff members in the Office of Human Rights. Normally, there is five staff. Mr. Prost reported that Ms. Patricia Burnette. She has just started with the office. It is hoped that she will be a great help. Mr. Prost reminded everyone that there still were two vacancies on the committee. Both openings were for a consumer. Mr. Prost reminded everyone of the definition of what is consumer. Mr. Prost reminded everyone that until such time as the vacancies are filled, that our office would recommend that all affiliates would continue on a temporary basis. Mr. Prost talked about the need for the affiliates to support the committee and that there should be an affiliate agreement.

AFILIATE AGREEMENT

Mr. Prost passed out a draft affiliate agreement for the consideration by the committee and the affiliates. Mr. Prost went over the major points of the draft agreement.

A motion was made and seconded that it will be the policy of this committee that if an affiliate does not send a representative to a meeting, that the committee will vote to change a permanent affiliate's status to temporary, and any temporary affiliate that does not show, their affiliation will end. The motion was passed by the committee.

The committee decided to defer the approval of the Affiliate Agreement until such time until the next meeting when a completed draft can be presented to the committee for their review. Dawn Wadniak from Attachment and Trauma Institute indicated that she would organize a meeting of the affiliates.

PROGRAM REPORTS

The following programs presented their information to the committee. The committee took the following action regarding these programs requests for affiliation.

- A & C Alternative Care, LLC- Ms. Margaret Gwynn, RN, QMHP, Director presented to the committee. They reported that they had their licensing visit on July 15, and received their license on August 12. They have 3 consumers that they are serving. They now have an office in Virginia Beach. The committee voted to grant continued temporary affiliation.
- Attachment & Trauma Institute- Ms. Dawn Wadiak, Executive Director presented to the committee. They have four families receiving services. There were no incidents. The committee voted to grant continued temporary affiliation.
- Best Friends LLC- Cholfe Cabanlig-Director presented to the committee. The program is still working on getting licensed. The committee voted to grant continued temporary affiliation.
- Crescent Counseling & Casework Services, Inc. - Mr. Rodney Malone, President & CEO presented to the committee. The program is still working on getting licensed. The committee voted to grant continued temporary affiliation.
- Genesis I-The House of Care- Ms. Alesia Rawls, Director presented to the committee. The program is still working on getting licensed. The committee voted to grant continued temporary affiliation.

NEW BUSINESS

The following programs presented their information to the committee. The committee took the following action regarding these programs requests for affiliation.

- Alliance 4 Families, LLC-Mr. Douglas Newsome presented for the program. The committee voted to grant temporary affiliation, approved the program's Behavioral Management Policies, and reviewed their Program Rules.
- Changing Faces Youth Services-Jerome Taylor- The committee voted to grant temporary affiliation, approved the program's Behavioral Management Policies, and reviewed their Program Rules.
- Youth Solutions for Families in Crisis LLC-Ulysses Gray- The committee voted to grant temporary affiliation, approved the program's Behavioral Management Policies, and reviewed their Program Rules.
- Family & Community Transisition Services-Wilson Goode- The committee voted to grant temporary affiliation, approved the program's Behavioral Management Policies, and reviewed their Program Rules. The committee recommended that

- the rule regarding the requirement that the staff always accompany a resident when they leave the residence. The program agreed to remove that language.
- Nduime Family & Youth Services, Inc. - Pamela Hauges-The committee voted to grant temporary affiliation, approved the program's Behavioral Management Policies, and reviewed their Program Rules.
 - Image House-Cynthia Faulks- The committee voted to grant temporary affiliation, approved the program's Behavioral Management Policies, and reviewed their Program Turning Point Residential-Affiliation was not granted, as the program did not have their complete package to the committee.
 - Just By 5, Inc. - The committee voted to grant temporary affiliation, approved the program's Behavioral Management Policies, and reviewed their Program Rules.
 - Quality Living LLC-Affiliation was not granted because the program did not have their complete package.

The next meeting is set for November 15, 2010, starting at 6:15 PM. It will take place at **Major Hillard Library**, 824 Old George Washington Highway, N., Chesapeake, VA 23323.

The meeting was adjourned at about 9:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Stewart Prost, Human Rights Advocate