

# **BLUE RIDGE REGIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE MINUTES OCTOBER 13, 2008**

The Blue Ridge Regional Human Rights Committee met, Monday, October 13, 2008 at 3:30 PM at Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare located at 1315 Brandon Avenue, Roanoke, VA.

## **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Rebecca Baker, Chair  
Lynn Lawson  
Geraldine Cleary  
Nancy Fields  
Jay Fields

## **DMHMRSAS-OHR-STAFF**

Adrien Monti

## **ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT STAFF**

Betsy Walker

## **AFFILIATES REPRESENTED**

A Better Live Counseling – Shenetta Reid  
Alleghany Highlands CSB – Betty Crance  
Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare – Helen Lang  
DePaul Family Services – Debbie McIvor/David Denham  
Dominion Day Service – Dianna Parrish/Jill Tyler/Shannon Raybuck  
EHS – Quill Giles  
Family Service of Roanoke – Vickie Haynie/Leah Hatcher  
Hall Community Services – Cathy Cummings  
Hope Tree Family Services – Linda Hammed/Will Childers  
Intercept Youth Services – Thomas Woodson  
It's About Time – Mitzi Tuck  
Key Living Options – Linda Puckett/ Daniel Key  
Lutheran Family Services – Gary Wilburn  
Mental Health Supports – Stephen Thomas  
Minnick Education Center – Gary Wilburn  
Mt Regis Center – Ronda Boutte  
National Counseling Group, Inc – Nicholas Ptacek  
Roanoke League of Therapists – Gail Paysour  
United Support Services – Mark & Tammy Solari

## **GUESTS**

Preston Boggess  
Linda Peters  
Amanda Craig

## **MINUTES**

### **1. Call to Order/welcome**

Rebecca Baker, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:45 pm.

### **2. Introductions**

Committee members, advocates, affiliates and guests introduced themselves.

## **ACTION AGENDA**

### **3. Approval of August 11, 2008 minutes**

Geri Cleary motioned the minutes of the August 11, 2008 meeting be accepted as presented, Lynn Lawson seconded the motion and is carried unanimously.

### **4. Advocate Report**

Adrien Monti, Advocate reported there are 2 new members on the Human Rights Committee and there are 2 perspective members in attendance; she noted there is still room for members. The Catawba Hospital Human Rights Committee is also looking for members.

### **5. Annual Report**

#### **Intercept Youth**

Thomas Woodson presented the annual report and gave a brief overview of the program.

### **6. Roanoke League of Therapists- request for affiliation of Day Treatment Services**

Gail Paysour appeared before the Committee to request affiliation be extended to their new service in Roanoke and the New River Valley. The services in these areas will not take place until 2009.

Geri Cleary motioned the affiliation be extended to cover the Roanoke and New River Valley; Mr. Fields seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

### **7. DePaul Family Services – New sponsored residential home information**

Debbie McIvor appeared before the Committee with notification of a new home opening on Kingston Road. She also informed the Committee of the closing of the Courtland Road site. She noted there will be two other new homes opening, however information was not received for inclusion in the Committee packet. She introduced David Denham who will be reporting to the Human Rights Committee in the future.

8. **Next Meeting – December 8, 2008**

The next meeting is scheduled for December 8, 2008 at 3:30 pm. The Committee will meet at Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare located at 3517 Brandon Avenue.

9. **Advocate and Committee issues**

None

10. **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 PM

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Rebecca Baker, Chair

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Date signed

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Betsy Walker, Recorder

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Date signed