

**Genesis LHRC Meeting
May 5, 2009
(APPROVED MINUTES)**

Present: Reginald Daye, Regional Advocate

Committee: Lisa Thatcher, Chairperson
Jeanette Ralph, Committee Member
Carol Kidd, Committee Member
Brenda Hogg, Committee Member
Yvette McDaniel, Committee Member

Affiliates: Francis Bruce, Alpha Community Services
Brenda Lomax, Community Direct Services
Walt Stone, Cornerstone Intervention Services
Dave Wilbur, Eggleston Services
Georgina Simmons, Hope, Unity, Freedom
Jen MacCracken, Individuals First, Inc.
Gail Hardy-Boyd, Just People, Inc.
Sonya Ott, Liberty Family Services
Sandra Baptiste, Pleasant Vue
Robert Edmonson, Reliable Community Care

Absent: Patrick Shunkwiler

Chairperson, Lisa Thatcher, called the meeting to order at 9:05am with a quorum. Each person introduced themselves.

The meeting moved to the advocate's remarks.

Advocate Remarks

Mr. Daye stated that Ms. Ralph and Ms. Thatcher's terms had expired with the Genesis LHRC and that today was their last meeting. In addition to their two vacancies, there is also a consumer vacancy which has been open for a long time. Mr. Daye gave the committee member the option of going to 5 committee members instead of 7, therefore changing the quorum from 4 to 3, but the members voted to remain at seven. Mr. Daye reminded the affiliates that it was their responsibility to find members for the committee and that an ad may need to be placed in the newspaper in order to locate potential committee members.

Reviewing of the meeting minutes

The meeting minutes from February 3, 2009 were reviewed by all present. **Ms. Hogg made a motion to approve the minutes, Ms. McDaniel seconded the motion, all in favor, motion passed.** The meeting minutes from November 4th were also reviewed as the February meeting functioned as a subcommittee and therefore, could not approve the minutes. **Ms. Ralph made a motion to approve the November minutes with the changes requested; Ms. McDaniel seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.**

Old Business

No old business for this meeting

New Business

None

Program Updates

Alpha Community Services reported no program updates, no licensure visits, and no requests of the committee members. They are licensed to provide services for 12 clients, but are currently serving 9. They utilized no restraints, had no complaints/allegation, and no death or suicides this quarter.

Community Direct Services stated that they have opened 2 sponsored placement sites on April 20, 2009 and May 1, 2009 at 2344 Court Circle, VB and 2931 Guther Place, VB. They have had no licensure visits, but become approved for Sponsored Residential Programs on March 24, 2009. CDS requested approval for temporary affiliation of 4 new sponsored residential placements: 233 Denbigh Blvd, Newport News; 6710 Burbage Landing Circle, Suffolk; 3708 Northmoor Ct, VB; and 846 Weymouth Terrace, Hampton and continued temporary affiliation of Marietta Ave., Norfolk. **Ms. Ralph made a motion to approve temporary affiliation of the sites and Ms. McDaniel seconded the motion. All were in favor, the motion passed.** CDS requested permanent affiliation for Guther Place and Court Circle. **Ms. Ralph made a motion to approve permanent affiliation of the two sites and Ms. Kidd seconded the motion. All were in favor, the motion passed.** CDS is currently serving 25 clients; used no restraints; had no complaints/allegations; and had no deaths/suicides.

Cornerstone Service Intervention Systems asked for permanent reinstatement as they were absent at the last meeting due to a mix-up in scheduling. **Ms. Ralph made a motion to move Cornerstone back to permanent affiliation; Ms. McDaniel seconded the motion; all were in favor, motion passed.** Cornerstone had no program updates; had no licensure visits; no requests for the committee members; and are currently serving 20. They had no deaths or suicides; and 1 allegation that is still pending, therefore will be tabled until next meeting.

Eggleston Services had no program updates and had a licensure visit by Barry Lee. Eggleston requested another 90-day extension for supportive in-home living apartment. **Ms. Hogg made a motion to approve the 90-day temporary affiliation of the apartment; Ms. Ralph seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.** Eggleston can serve 336 clients and are currently serving 307. There were 2 uses of restraints, 6 human rights allegations; and no deaths or suicides. Eggleston will go into closed session to discuss restraints and allegations.

Hope, unity, and Freedom had no program updates, no licensure visits, and no requests for approval. They can serve 65 clients and currently serve 53. They had 1 peer-to-peer incident and a medication error that will be discussed in closed session. No deaths or suicides.

Individuals First, Inc. had no program updates, no licensure visits, and no requests for approval. They can serve 15 clients and are currently serving 14. They had no complaints/allegations and no deaths or suicides.

Just People, Inc. had no program updates, 1 licensure visit from Dennis Riddick on 4/2/09 for their day support and residential services. They have no requests for approval of the committee and no deaths or suicides. They had 1 investigation of neglect, which will be discussed in closed session.

Liberty Family Services had no program updates, no licensure visits, and requested temporary affiliation of their day program. **Ms. Ralph made a motion for a 90-day temporary affiliation of the day program; Ms. Hogg seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion passed.** They are currently serving 50 clients, had no complaints/allegations and had no deaths or suicides this quarter.

Pleasant Vue had no changes to their program, no licensure visits, no requests for the committee members, no use of restraints, no complaints/allegations, and no deaths/suicides. They can serve 4 clients and are currently serving 4 clients. They had 1 critical incident regarding a health issue of an individual who was hospitalized and released.

Reliable Community Care became licensed on 4/22/09 and requested permanent affiliation. **Ms. Kidd made a motion to approve permanent affiliation of Reliable Community Care; Ms. McDaniel seconded the motion. All were in favor, the motion passed.** They are licensed to provide services for 3 individuals are currently serving none.

Treasurer's Report

\$2897.68 – no additions or subtractions

Closed Session

Closed session: 10:05am

Ms. Kidd made a motion to go into closed session per VA code 2.2-3711A to discuss issues/matters exempt from public disclosure, namely to review client behavior plans, restraints, incident reports, abuse and complaint investigation at Eggleston Services; Hope, Unity and Freedom; Just People and Pleasant Vue. **Ms. McDaniel seconded the motion; all were in favor, motion was granted.** The LHRC voted to come out of closed session. Upon reconvening in open session, each member certified that only matters exempt from public disclosure was discussed as noted above.

Meeting was adjourned after closed session.

Cordially,

Jennifer MacCracken
May 15, 2009