

**HANOVER LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE MINUTES
(DRAFT)**

DATE: September 2, 2009

PRESENT: **Committee Members:** Taneika Goldman, Sharon Taylor, Lynn Goodale, Paula Smith

Human Rights Advocate: Beverly Garnes, DMHMRSAS

Affiliate Members: Ascending Dove Residential
Bethel Residential
Destiny Services, Inc
Dimension Youth Services
Envision Solutions
Fidura & Associates, Inc.
Hanover Adult Center
Hanover Community Services
Milestone
Riggins Residential
VELDOT Residential Services
Virginia Baptist Children's Home
Virginia Supportive Housing
WALL Residences

Committee Members Anjelique Nettleton

Absent:

Affiliate Members

Absent: Creative Family Solutions, Inc.

Guest: Youth Counseling Services
Community Counseling Group, Inc.
Step 'N' Up Youth Services

WELCOME: Taneika Goldman called the meeting to order and welcomed all attending.

AGENDA ITEMS:

- I. Approval of Minutes:** It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the June 2nd meeting be approved. It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the June 22nd, 2009 meeting be approved as corrected. The June 22nd meeting was a special meeting for members to approve previous minutes.
- II. OFFICE OF HUMAN RIGHTS/COMMITTEE UPDATES & ANNOUNCEMENTS:**
Beverly Garnes, Human Rights Advocate, informed affiliates that the Regional office of Human Rights will be conducting training in the fall. Region IV will be conducting the training at Central State Hospital. Beverly will inform affiliates of date and times once training logistics have been confirmed. Beverly also reminded everyone to send in Human Right allegations ten days prior to the next scheduled meeting to Robbin Branch. Please do not use consumers names, please use their initials.
- III. Affiliate Reports:**
 - a. Ascending Dove Residential Care:** Nicelle Cooper reported that there were no allegations of human rights violations. There were no program changes for the quarter.
 - b. Creative Family Solutions:** Absent

- c. **Destiny Services, Inc:** Destiny Services reported that there were no allegations of human rights violations during the quarter. There were no program changes for the quarter. Their final licensure review will be on September 11th, 2009.
- d. **Dimension Youth Services:** Toreeco Greenhow reported that there were no allegations of human rights violations. There were no program changes for the quarter.
- e. **Envision Solutions:** Tyrone Hilton reported that there were no allegations of human rights violations during the quarter. There were no program changes for the quarter. They are still awaiting final review for licensure.
- f. **Fidura & Associates, Inc.:** reported there were two allegations of human rights violations during the quarter. The first incident involved an altercation between three residents that we support. The allegation was based on how a Fidura employee responded to the incident. As a result there was an investigation and no allegations were found. The next incident involved bruises on a resident's arm while being transported. No bruises were found prior that morning or that evening, and through investigation not sure as to when the bruises appeared. Investigations are being conducted by the case manager and Hanover Sheriff's Department. There were no program changes for the quarter.
- d. **Hanover Adult Center:** Terry Seward reported that there no allegations of human rights violations during the quarter. There were no program changes for the quarter.
- e. **Hanover Community Services:** Susan Cunningham reported that there were two allegations of human rights violations. There no changes for the quarter.
- f. **Milestone:** Georgina Simmons reported that there were no allegations of human rights violations. There were no program changes for the quarter.
- g. **Riggins Residential:** Barbara Riggins reported that there two allegations of human rights violations during the quarter. There were no program changes for the quarter.
- h. **VELDOT Residential Services:** Leavelle Cox reported that there were no allegations of human right violations during the quarter. There were no program changes for the quarter.
- i. **Virginia Baptist Children's Home & Family Services – DDM:** Levelle Johnson reported that there were no allegations of human rights violations. There were no program changes for the quarter.
- j. **Virginia Supportive Housing:** Kristin Yavorsky reported that there were no allegations of human rights violations during the quarter. The transfer of the ICT program from Chesterfield CSB to Virginia Supportive Housing was completed on the first of July.
- k. **WALL Residences LLC:** Pam Golas reported that there was one allegation of human rights violations. There were no program changes for the quarter.

REQUEST FOR AFFILIATION

Youth Counseling Services: Lawrence Gun, Jr. presented to the committee requesting affiliation to the Hanover Human Rights Committee. This is an Intensive In Home Treatment servicing in the Henrico County. These services will be provided to males from the ages of six to 18 years of age.

Step 'N' Up: Kelly Campbell and Jyran Brown presented to the committee requesting affiliation to the Hanover Human Rights Committee. They will be providing services to males between the ages of 12-17 years old. They have a curriculum set up which involves: mentoring, preventative care, health, and fitness. They will have a staff ratio of 1:4, and their policies and procedures have been approved.

Community Counseling Group, Inc: Haywood James presented to the committee requesting affiliation to the Hanover Human Rights Committee. This is an Intensive In home Treatment servicing the Tri City Areas.

A motion was made to approve new affiliates.

NEXT MEETING: December 1, 2009 at 5:00 in the DSS Meeting Room

Adjournment: Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully submitted by: _____
Robbin Branch