

**LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE**  
**Southside Regional Local Human Rights Committee**  
**Meeting of April 22, 2011**

**\*\*\*FINAL\*\*\***

PRESENT

Kathleen Dring, Psy.D., LHRC Chair  
Elaine Martin, LHRC  
Tracey Ferguson, LHRC  
Jean Bohnhoff, LHRC Secretary  
Stewart Prost, Human Rights Advocate DBHDS  
Vonda Alston, One Vision and Associates  
Jeffrey Burns, Tidewater Psychotherapy Services  
Roseann Smith, Finney Psychotherapy Associates  
Damon Sutton, Paramount Youth Services  
Nina Joyner, New Life Programs and Family Systems II  
Angelo Morlino, Vito, Inc.  
James Jack, Pendleton Child Services Center  
James Jack, Family Net  
April Liverman, Sarah's Place  
Sherry Terry, Dominion Psychiatric, PLLC-Turning Point  
Nancy M. Holcomb, The Barry Robinson Center

ABSENT

Chairperson Kathleen Dring called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Minutes

The minutes of the January 28, 2011 meeting were reviewed and approved.

Advocate's Report

Stewart Prost reported that the office had hired a secretary, Annett Joseph Walker, who is now on board and will answer phones. In addition another advocate will be starting 5/10/11. He indicated that licensing is up to 16 positions and that ultimately, the Office of Human Rights will have 3 advocates, Mr. Daye and a secretary.

Mr. Post further reported that Ms. Ferguson had completed her three-year tenure on this Committee and had agreed to serve an additional three-year term. Ms. Ferguson was thanked by all present for her continued dedication.

It was further reported that the Committee is still looking for a representative for the consumer interest. He expounded upon the requirements of the committee make-up.

Further discussion was held about the new Cooperative Agreement and the Committee By-Laws. The Committee voted unanimously to accept the Cooperative Agreement and to have providers attend each quarterly meeting. It was also discussed that providers would send reports two weeks prior to the meeting to Denise Henock, Administrative Assistant at the Barry Robinson. Email [dhenock@barryrobinson.org](mailto:dhenock@barryrobinson.org).

## **Program Reports**

1. Pendleton Child Services Center – James Jack reported they are currently serving 18 residents in the residential program and 2 students in their day-treatment program. There were no restraints, complaints, or other human rights issues.
2. Tidewater Psychotherapy – Jeff Burns reported they are currently serving 57 clients in 7 intensive outpatient and substance abuse groups. There were no restraints, complaints, or other human rights issues.
3. Finney Psychiatric Associates – Roseann Smith reported they are currently serving 19 adult clients in their intensive outpatient chemical dependency program and relapse prevention program. There were no restraints, complaints, or other human rights issues.
4. Paramount Youth Services – Mr. Sutton explained his absence at the last meeting the Committee approved the reinstatement. He stated there are currently 13 residents receiving services. There was one allegation to report.
5. New Life – Nina Joyner reported Mary's House has 1 resident. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.
6. Family Systems II – Nina Joyner reported there are 78 clients receiving intensive in-home services. There are 24 clients receiving mental health support and 72 clients in the therapeutic day treatment program. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues. Ms. Joyner informed the Committee that they are responding to an RFP for therapeutic day treatment and hope that the award will allow the program to continue in the same schools as currently served, but that there was a possibility that the award be to serve different locations.
7. Vito Inc. – Angelo Morlino reported they are currently serving 50 in-home clients and 44-day support clients. He had one incident to report.
8. Family Net – James Jack reported they currently have 15 clients receiving in-home services. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.
9. Dominion Psychiatric Associates, PLLC-Turning Point- Shirley Terry reported they are currently serving 12 clients in their Intensive Outpatient Chemical Dependency Program. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.
10. Sarah's Place- April Liverman reported they currently have 1 client in their group home.
11. One Vision-Vonda Alston requested affiliation. A motion was made, seconded and approved that One Vision be temporarily affiliated with the committee.
12. The Barry Robinson Center – HomeBase Services – Nancy Holcomb reported 55 clients are receiving in-home services. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.

13. The Barry Robinson Center – The LHRC reviewed The Barry Robinson Center's annual structured living report, reports to Licensing/Human Rights and special treatment procedure utilization.

#### **Executive Session**

A motion was made and passed that the LHRC enter into an Executive Session pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-371 (A) for the purpose of reviewing The Barry Robinson Center's occurrence report.

#### **Exit Executive Session**

Upon reconvening into public session, the LHRC unanimously certified to the best of each member's knowledge, only public matters, lawfully exempt from statutory open meeting requirements, and only public business matters identified to the motion to reconvene this session, the Executive Session, were discussed in the Executive Session.

After reconvening into public session, the Southside Regional Local Human Rights Committee indicated they made no recommendations regarding the occurrences at The Barry Robinson Center. The committee made a motion, seconded and approved the continued use of Structured Living and recommended the continued approval of the Structured Living Variance by the State Human Rights Committee.

There was no public comment. The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.