

LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
Southside Regional Local Human Rights Committee
Meeting of January 27, 2012

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PRESENT

Kathleen Dring, Psy.D., LHRC Chair
Tracy Ferguson, LHRC
Jean Bohnhoff, LHRC Secretary
Dana Steele, LHRC
Hillary Zaneveld, Human Rights Advocate DBHDS
Jeffrey Burns, Tidewater Psychotherapy Services
Rose Smith, Finney Psychotherapy Associates
Damon Sutton, Paramount Youth Services
Nina Joyner, New Life Programs and Family Systems II
Angelo Morlino, Vito, Inc.
Susan Wilson, Pendleton Child Services Center
Peggy Lidstrum, Dominion Psychiatric, PLLC-Turning Point
Monica C. Manley, The Barry Robinson Center

ABSENT

April Liverman, Sarah's Place
James Lassiter, Family Net
Vonda Alston, One Vision & Associates

April Liverman with Sarah's Place called prior to the meeting stating she had an emergency and would be unable to attend. Kathleen Dring called the meeting to order at 9:05 am.

2012 Meeting Dates

Ms. Dring reviewed the remaining meeting dates: April 27, 2012, July 27, 2012 and October 26, 2012.

Minutes

Ms. Bohnhoff made a motion to accept the minutes of the November 18, 2011 meeting. Ms. Steele seconded the motion. The committee passed the motion and accepted the minutes.

Advocate's Report

Hillary Zaneveld reported Elaine Martin has resigned from this committee and thus there is one vacancy. Ms. Zaneveld encouraged providers to identify possible candidates for the vacancy. She will also consult with Mr. Daye to determine if the vacancy is for one of the mandated categories. Ms. Zaneveld reminded the providers that he/she may only miss one meeting per calendar year with a valid explanation for the absence. If a provider exceeds one absence during a calendar year, she will make a recommendation to licensing that the organization receive a citation.

Ms. Zaneveld reported that Nerissa Rhodes, a new human rights advocate is completing her orientation.

Ms. Zaneveld reported Mr. Daye will be providing regional training on human rights for committee members beginning in February or March 2012. The first training will most likely be held at Eastern State Hospital in Williamsburg, VA and the second training will be held at the Southeastern Training Center in Chesapeake, VA. Ms. Zaneveld reported that providers are welcome to attend the trainings. Providers

may also donate refreshments to the trainings. She stated that any provider donating refreshments will be offered professional training for their staff. Mr. Daye will provide the training.

Program Reports

1. Pendleton Child Services Center – Sue Wilson reviewed her quarterly and annual reports. Her quarterly reported indicated they served 35 residents in their residential and day-treatment program. The annual report indicated they served 76 residents. There were no restraints, complaints, or other human rights issues.
2. Tidewater Psychotherapy – Jeff Burns reviewed his quarterly and annual reports. His quarterly report indicated they served 64 clients in 2 intensive outpatient and 7 substance abuse groups. The annual report indicated they served 729 clients. There were no restraints, complaints, or other human rights issues.
3. Finney Psychiatric Associates – Rose Smith reviewed her quarterly and annual reports. Her quarterly reported indicated they served 35 adult clients in their intensive outpatient chemical dependency program and relapse prevention program. The annual report indicated they served 74. There were no restraints, complaints, or other human rights issues.
4. Paramount Youth Services – Damon Sutton reviewed his quarterly and annual reports. His quarterly report indicated they served 29 residents in their two group homes. Mr. Sutton stated he would discuss a new incident during closed session. The annual report indicated they served 57 residents. The annual report also indicated there were two peer-to-peer allegations that were unfounded for neglect.
5. New Life – Nina Joyner reviewed her quarterly and annual reports. Her quarterly report indicated they served 2 residents in Mary's House. The annual report indicated they served 6 residents. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues. Ms. Joyner reported they received a 30 day variance to admit a pregnant client who will deliver in a couple a weeks and the baby will be placed in foster care. However, she stated she is not sure if the resident will be admitted secondary to funding issues.
6. Family Systems II – Nina Joyner reviewed her quarterly and annual reports. Her quarterly report indicated they served 30 clients in intensive in-home services, 42 clients in mental health support and 26 clients in the therapeutic day treatment program. The annual report indicated they served 86 clients in intensive in-home, 65 clients in mental health support and 43 clients in therapeutic day treatment. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.
7. Vito Inc. – Angelo Morlino reviewed his quarterly and annual reports. His quarterly report indicated they served an average of 76 in-home and day support clients. He had one allegation of neglect that he stated he would discuss during closed session. The annual report indicated they served an average of 80 clients. The annual report also indicated that they had three allegations of neglect which were unfounded and one allegation of exploitation which was founded.

8. Family Net – No report. Ms. Zaneveld stated she would contact James Lassiter to inquire about his absence at this and the last quarterly meeting.
9. Dominion Psychiatric Associates, PLLC-Turning Point- Peggy Lidstrum reviewed her quarterly and annual reports. The quarterly report indicated they served 11 clients in their Intensive Outpatient Chemical Dependency Program and aftercare program. The annual report indicated they served 41 clients. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.
10. Sarah's Place- April Liverman was absent. However, she submitted quarterly and annual reports indicating they served one resident. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.
11. One Vision and Associates- No report. Ms. Zaneveld stated she would contact Vonda Alston to inquire about her absence at this and the last quarterly meeting.
12. The Barry Robinson Center – HomeBase Services – Monica Manley reviewed the quarterly and annual reports. The quarterly report and annual report indicated they had an average monthly census of 43. There was one allegation of physical abuse which was unfounded.
14. The Barry Robinson Center – Residential-Monica Manley reviewed the quarterly and annual reports. The quarterly and annual report indicated they had an average monthly census of 51. The quarterly reported indicated two allegations of physical abuse which were unfounded. The annual report indicated the two quarterly allegations of physical abuse and one allegation of verbal abuse which was also unfounded. The LHRC reviewed The Barry Robinson Center's statistical reports regarding structured living, reports to Licensing/Human Rights and special treatment procedure utilization.

Executive Session

A motion was made, seconded 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 one incident at Paramount Youth Services, the one incident at Vito, Inc. and 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 incident at Paramount Youth Services, the incident at Vito Inc. or the occurrences at The Barry Robinson Center.

There was no public comment. The committee requested that providers call Denise Henock at 757-455-6159 if they are going to be more than five minutes late to a

meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.