

SUFFOLK REGIONAL LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE MEETING
Minutes from
Tuesday, December 4th, 07

Committee Members Present:

Reginald Daye, Regional Advocate
Sylvia Capehart-Paige, Chairperson
Doris Peterkin, Vice Chair
Jacqueline Blackett, Secretary

Jean E. Edwards

Denise N. Tynes

Affiliated

Programs Present:

Baker's Home, Inc.-*Claudette Jones, & Debora Lawyer*
Better Care Family Homes, Inc & Carlisle Estates- Jessica Ishmeal
Braley & Thompson, Inc.-*Kelly Bobbitt*
Community Supported Training Organization, Inc.- Pierre Dugue , Angel F.Glass
Obici Hospital- *Dana Miller*
Quality Community Support, Inc- Heather Ingraham ,Sabrinia Green-Porter, Timothy Gross
Quality Care Community Services,Inc –Joe Ann Lawrence
Rehobeth Residence- *Cheral W. Dixon*
Visions Community Services, Inc.- *Eulamae R. Myers,*
WTCSB-, Cheryl T. Collier
Zuni Presbyterian Homes- Jackie Lankford, Donna Davis

The Local Human Rights Committee meeting was called to order at 8:30 am by chairperson, Ms.Capehart-Paige.

The minutes of the September 11th.07 meeting were reviewed and approved with the noted modifications.

Old Business:

There was no old business.

New Business:

CSTO requested a vote on their rules of conduct, however it was suggested by the committee that CSTO make the following corrections removal of the rules in number 19 and number 5. It was also suggested that they request another 90-day affiliation for Kempsville house, this request was for the 90-day affiliation was requested and granted by the committee.

Quality Community Support Inc requested temporary affiliation for their new programs, Crisis stabilization and Intensive in-home services. Mrs.Capehart Page asked for a brief description of what it is that they would do Mrs.Green-Porter and Mr.Timothy Gross both gave explanations to the committee explaining how they would operate within the community and through the C.S.B

Mr. Daye question how they would interface with the local C. S. B. Mrs.Green-Porter explained that they would forward that information over to Mr.Daye's office. Quality Community Support also requested two separate 90-day affiliations, for these new programs. The temporary license was granted to them for these new programs. Mrs. Green-Hicks Porter also requested that they be reinstated back to permanent status after being dropped down to temporary status by the committee, this request was granted.

W.T.C.S.B requested a list of items that you are to addressed in your report to the LHRC Mrs.Collier requested the chance to make her report more accurate. She also stated that the consumers had to be moved because of a water leak in their home. She will be sending a more up to date report to the committee members.

Vision requested temporary affiliation for two new homes, listed on her list of sponsored placement homes. VCS has been approved the temporary affiliation.

Baker home requested and was granted a 90 affiliation for their partial hospitalization programs.

Zuni house requested a 90-day affiliation for 2 new homes; they are Bishop house, and Bain house. These houses will now become D.M.H. houses. The request was granted.

The committee is following up on a complaint against Better Care Family Homes that had not been addressed

Update from Mr. Daye

Mr. Daye stated that the new regulations went into effect on Sept 19th, 07 and that agencies should have received a disk explaining changes. All have approved policy that need to be revised and sent into the LHRC agency by March 1st, 08. He also went over some of the new changes in the wording in the new regulations. As of December 1st,07 all facilities are being held responsible to the new regulations. Now all complaints are reportable to Mr.Daye's office within 24 hours, it includes formal and informal complaints. The L.H.R now has to report to Medicaid when your company has a report against it .All committee members received freedom of information act trainings at the last human rights meeting. He also reminded everyone of the seclusion and restraint report that is sent to Marion Greenfield in January 15th, 08. Mr.Daye also went over the dates of the next human rights meetings; they are 3-4-08, 6-3-08, 9-9-08, and 12-2-08.

Financial Report:

MrDugue gave the financial report; he stated that at this time there is \$2,255.83 in the budget. Mr,Dugue also passed out copies of the financial report to all facilities.

Facility Reports:

Baker's Home, Inc.: During this reporting period, there were no complaints of human rights violations or complaints of abuse, neglect or exploitation. Also, there was no use of behavior management. We received a license review and received a three-year license. We have thirty-five (35) consumers in our Mental Health Support program. Two consumers were discharged because they moved. One consumer died of natural causes. We have twenty-four (24) consumers in our Psychosocial Rehabilitation program. The programs are in good standing with Licensing and the Committee.

Better Care Family Homes, Inc./Carlisle Estates: The consumers at Better Care Family Homes and Carlisle Estates are all doing very well and according to their doctors are all healthy. During this quarter there were no incidents of behavior management implementation or time out.

Braley & Thompson, Inc.: We have no consumer in our outpatient mental health program. Consequently there were no incidents or consumer rights violations during this reporting period.

Community Supported Training Organization, Inc. CSTO Inc. has not experienced any incidents of abuse allegations nor restraints nor seclusions. CSTO Inc.currently has a total of twenty-eight consumers. We've made revisions that the committee has recommended to the rules of conduct. These rules of conduct are pertained to the In-Home and the Group Home Program as well. We're in the process of updating and revising our human rights plan. It will be submitted to Mr.Day's office as soon as it is completed.

Obici Hospital: Sentara Obici Hospital is currently in good standing with the Suffolk Regional LHRC. There were no complaints made regarding human rights violation during the 3rd, Quarter of 2007

Seclusion and Restraints:

July 07-4seclusions, 0 restraint

August 07- 12 seclusions, 0 restraint

September 07- 4 seclusions, 1 restraint

Quarterly total: 20 seclusions, 1 restraints

There are no other issues to be addressed at this time.

Quality Care Community Services, Inc: During this reporting period, there were no complaints of human rights violations or complaints of abuse or neglect. Quality Care does not use seclusion or mechanical restraints with our individuals. We are currently in good standing with LHRC. We are also in the process of revising our human rights plans for submission in March 08.

Quality Community Supports, Inc: QCS will be submitting their report at a later date.

Rehobeth: For this quarter Rehobeth had no human rights violations, and is in good standing with the office of licensure.

Visions Community Services, Inc. Vision had one complaint of human rights violation, which was deemed unfounded.

Number of abuse/neglect allegations this month:0

Number of Founded abuse/neglect allegations: 0

Numbered of unfounded abuse/neglect abuse :0

Visions Community Services continues to participate in the Sponsored Residential Homes Program and currently has homes open with consumers in each, all consumers continue to be provided with Triage services on a monthly basis and all consumers are currently doing well. There have been a closing of five due to Vision Community Services Policy and Procedures licensure Regulation, which has been reported to Human Rights and Licensure office. Mr. J.G. to report in close session. Visions Community Services also continues to serve consumers in our Day Support Program. At present we are requesting from the LHRC committee permanent affiliation for (2) additional homes (see listing provided) at this time also will be providing any outstanding dues, Thank-You.

Status of implementation of variances: N/A

Additional Comments; None

Name of Licensing Specialist: Mr. Berry Lee

WTCSB: Report was submitted for the reporting period of 9/1/ 007-11/30/07

WTCSB listed under the heading of Other- PSR program consumer

#1 pushed PSR consumer

#2 resulting in consumer with no injuries

Consumer #1 was exhibiting unstable behaviors and was ultimately hospitalized. Staff acted appropriately

Number of –Behavior Incidents (1)

Number of Deaths (0)

Zuni Presbyterian Homes: We currently have 43 residents on our campus. There is one opening in Roughton House for a male we are requesting temporary affiliation for Bishop and Bain house
New case manager-Tracy Slye
No other allegations of abuse were reported this quarter.
We are currently in good standing with licensure and the Local Human Rights committee.

The Local Human Rights Committee then voted to go into closed session, pursuant to Virginia Code 2.2-3711A to review reports on allegations of human rights violation, abuse, neglect, and serious incidents from the following programs: WTCSB, VCS, CSTO, Better Care Family Home Inc, and Rehobeth Residence.

The Committee voted to come out of closed session, and upon reconvening in open session, each member certified that the only thing discussed while in closed session was the above referenced items for, WTCSB, VCS and CSTO, Better Care Family Home Inc, and Rehobeth Residence.

There were no recommendations for WTCSB, Visions, Better Care Family Homes, or Rehobeth from the Committee.

It was determined that the next committee meeting will be held on March 4th, 2008 at 8:30 a.m. The meeting is scheduled to be held at Western Tidewater Community Services Board.

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.