

# LHRC Meeting Minutes

July 10, 2014

## NEW RIVER VALLEY LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE

### Welcome and Introductions:

Vice Chair Chase Niedermayer called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m. Niedermayer welcomed attendees and led introductions.

### Public Comment:

None.

### Approval of Agenda:

Keri Basham of Wall Residences requested three additions to the agenda: two conclusions of affiliation for the Giessler service at 179 Zephyr Circle, Floyd, VA 24091 and the Blatt Service at 1190 Pepper's Ferry Road, Christiansburg, VA 24073 along with one closed session plan review. Lori Mick moved to approve the agenda with the additions requested. Jeanetta Beamer seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

### Minutes:

Committee members received in their packets the minutes from the March 13, 2014 meeting. Sandra Via moved to approve the minutes as distributed. Jeanetta Beamer seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

### Regional Advocate's Report:

Nan Neese, Regional Advocate, presented her report. Neese encourage members to review the new commissioner's letter as distributed in meeting packets. Neese congratulated and thanked Rhonda Quesenberry and Lori Mick for successfully seeking reappointment. Neese requested an extension on the timeframe to appeal to the committee regarding an unspecified complaint to August 1st. Jeanetta Beamer moved to extend the timeframe as requested. Rhonda Quesenberry seconded the motion which was unanimously approved. Neese invited Mike Hunter to discuss a change in ownership for Creative Family Solutions. Hunter reported Creative Family Solutions is switching to residential care and all policies will be presented to the committee for review. Neese reported a new affiliation request is anticipated.

### Annual Human Rights Activity Reports:

Committee members received in their meeting packets, the 2013 Annual Reports of Strengthening Our System, Wall Residences, and Intercept Youth Services.

Stephanie Bakely of Strengthening Our System presented their report. Keri Basham of Wall Residences presented their report. Matt Milovich of Intercept Youth Services Carriage House presented their report. Jennifer Sherman of Intercept Youth presented their report. There being no further discussion, Sandra Via moved to accept all reports as presented. Lori Mick seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

Nan Neese noted providers are asked to provide copies of human rights notices during presentation of annual reports and it appears the department may need to provide guidance on notices in the near future. Neese mentioned pictorial versions are ideal for ID individuals and children. Neese hope the department will work on providing guidance.

### Committee Members

Jeanetta Beamer  
Beth Deskins  
Lori Mick  
Chase Niedermayer  
Rhonda Quesenberry  
Sandra Via

### Members Present:

Jeanetta Beamer  
Lori Mick  
Chase Niedermayer  
Rhonda Quesenberry  
Sandra Via

### Members Absent:

Beth Deskins

### Others Present:

Mike Hunter,  
*Creative Family Solutions*

Keri Basham  
*Wall Residences*

Nan Neese  
*DBHDS*

Jennifer Sherman,  
Matt Milovich  
*Intercept*

Laura Taylor  
*Family Preservation*

Stephanie Bakely,  
*Strengthening Our System*

Lucy McCandlish, Heather  
Rupe, Melissa Jackson  
*NRVCS*

Bobbi Weeks, Truphena Wyms  
*Carilion St. Albans*

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## **Quarterly Human Rights Activity Reports:**

Committee members received in their meeting packets, the 2014 1st Quarterly Human Rights Activity Report from Carilion St. Albans including an updated restraint report. Bobbi Weeks of Carilion St. Albans presented the updated restraint report and answered a few questions from committee members. There being no further discussion, Lori Mick moved to accept the report. Sandra Via seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

## **Requests for Affiliation:**

Heather Rupe of NRVCS requested an extension of affiliation as follows: to add an additional Intensive Community Treatment Team (ICT) at a new location at 613 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Radford, VA 24141; a new sponsored home at 808 Dickerson Lane, Blacksburg, VA 24060; to a new location for The Recovery Center/Clubhouse at 1044 East Main Street, Pulaski, VA 24301; to a new location for a PACT team at 613 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Radford, VA 24141; and to provide REACH program community based crisis and in home residential services to children and adolescents. Rhonda Quesenberry moved to extend affiliation as requested. Sandra Via seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

Keri Basham of Wall Residences requested extension of affiliation as follows: to a new home at 204 Rising Road, Floyd, VA 24091; and to a new home at 305 Fox Run Drive, Galax, VA 24333. Sandra Via moved to extend affiliation as requested. Rhonda Quesenberry seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

## **Notice to Conclude Affiliations:**

Heather Rupe of NRVCS offered notice of closure of a sponsored HART home at former location (Agnes home) and notice of conclusion of affiliation at 220 East Main Street, Radford, VA 24141. Lori Mick moved to conclude affiliation as noted. Sandra Via seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

Keri Basham of Wall Residences offered notice of closure of two homes at former locations (Horton and Alpin homes) and two conclusions of affiliation for the Giessler service and the Blatt Service. Rhonda Quesenberry moved to conclude affiliation at the former locations as noted. Jeanetta Beamer seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

## **Policy and Procedure Review:**

Heather Rupe of NRVCS presented the REACH Respite House Rules. Rupe noted there are no changes in the rules since they were previously approved by LHRC. Nan Neese noted no action is necessary by the committee.

## **Closed Session:**

Rhonda Quesenberry moved to convene in a closed meeting pursuant to Virginia code 2.2-3711 A(4) and section (15) for the protection of the privacy of individuals in personal matters not related to public business and the discussion of medical and mental records; namely to review an individual service plan. Jeanetta Beamer seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

After a period of discussion, Rhonda Quesenberry moved to reconvene into public session. Sandra Via seconded the motion which was unanimously approved. Each member then certified that to the best of their knowledge only matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements were heard, discussed, or considered.

Sandra Via Moved to approve the Wall-1-2014 plan for a period of time not to exceed the November NRV LHRC meeting. Jeanetta Beamer seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

## **Adjournment:**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:11 p.m. The next NRV LHRC meeting is scheduled for September 11, 2014.