

Williamsburg Regional Local Human Rights Committee
4601 Ironbound Road
Kline Conference Room
Williamsburg, VA 23188
07/11/2018 at 9:00 AM

MEMBERS PRESENT-

LaVerne Brooks
Roberta Racioppi
Augustine Gatling-Lampley
Frances McBride
Pamela Schlickemyer-Alternate member

MEMBERS ABSENT-

Ed Sedwick
Maria Fuentes-Sherman

OTHERS PRESENT-

Bernadette Lege- Human Rights Advocate, DBHDS
Courtney Myles- LHRC Support Liaison, DBHDS
Walter Small- ESH Patient Relations

CALL TO ORDER-

Augustine Gatling-Lampley called meeting to order at 9:13 AM. Those in attendance made introductions to include their name and title.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The July 11, 2018 agenda was motioned to be accepted, with the request of Ms. Lege to move New Business after Public Comment, by Ms. Racioppi, seconded by Ms. Brooks and unanimously approved by the committee members.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES-

Minutes from February 07, 2018 and Sub-Committee meeting on April 11, 2018 were motioned to be accepted by Ms. Racioppi, seconded by Ms. Schlickemyer and unanimously approved by the committee members.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

NEW BUSINESS:

- Buddy Small-ESH presented an update to the Eastern State Hospital Handbook regarding the revisions to include the information about resident room doors have locks installed. Resident rooms to be locked once residents are out of their rooms for breakfast. ESH will consider holding a community meeting during the times between breakfast and morning group; to help fill the time so residents do not want to return to their rooms. Locking doors to be implemented in August- residents and ARs have been notified. Concept behind locking the doors is to assist in getting residents out of their rooms and to participate in groups.
- A motion was made by Ms. Schlickenmyer and seconded by Ms. Racioppi to recommend Eastern State Hospital to have community meetings in the morning.

CHAIR-PERSON ANNOUNCEMENTS

Introduction of the committee's newest member: Mrs. Frances McBride

REGIONAL ADVOCATE/ HUMAN RIGHTS ADVOCATE REPORT:

- Mrs. Lege provided a review and update of the sub-committee meeting information regarding Eastern State Hospital bathroom doors.
 - Eastern State Hospital has decided to use the 45 degree angle door for the single rooms and the full door with the pressure-drop safety feature for the double rooms.
 - No progress has been made in terms of when the doors will be ordered or installed.
- Mrs. Lege updated members on the two approaching hearings.
 - Hearing dates: the committee reviewed the calendar as a group and decided on the following dates- the committee agreed they would like these hearings to get on the books and not be delayed any longer then necessary. The importance of being able to review the petition prior the meeting was discussed and the members agreed
 - July 20, 2018 at 9:30 AM
 - August 1, 2018 at 9:30 AM

TRAINING:

Fact Finding Hearing training provided by Mrs. Lege.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

CLOSED SESSION-

Motion was made by Ms. Racioppi, seconded by Ms. Schlickemyer and unanimously approved by the committee members at 9:32 AM that the Williamsburg LHRC will go into closed session pursuant to VA Code 2.2-3711(A), for the purposes of protecting the privacy of individuals in personal matters not related to public business, namely for the purpose of discussing a member's status.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION-

The committee reconvened in open session at 10:04 AM by unanimous vote on a motion by Ms. Racioppi and seconded by Ms. Schlickemyer. Each member certified that, to the best of each member's knowledge, only private business matters, lawfully exempted from statutory open session requirements and identified in the motion by which the closed session was convened, were considered in the closed session.

Recommendation: Motion was made by Ms. Brooks, seconded by Ms. Racioppi and unanimously approved by the committee members as follows:
As requested by Mr. Sedwick to move from regularly appointed member to an alternate member of the committee.

NEXT MEETING- October 10, 2018, 9:00 AM at the Kline Conference Center at Eastern State Hospital, 4601 Ironbound Road, Williamsburg, VA 23188

MEETING ADJOURNED-

Motion made to ADJOURN the meeting by Ms. Schlickemyer, seconded by Ms. Racioppi at 10:14 AM with the unanimous approval of the committee members.