

**Southwest Local Human Rights Committee**  
**Minutes**  
**May 23, 2012**  
**Oxbow Center, St. Paul, Virginia**  
**2:00 – 4:00 p.m.**

The Southwest Local Human Rights Committee met on Wednesday, May 23, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. at the Oxbow Center in St. Paul, Virginia.

**Committee Members Present:** Tracy Mullins, Chair  
Mary Coppedge, Vice Chair  
Jean Hankins, Secretary

**Committee Members Absent:** Ada Stacy

<b>Others Present:</b>	Nan Neese	Regional Human Rights Advocate
	Greg Bailey	Clearview / Russell Co. Medical Center
	Joan Batcha	Clearview / Russell Co. Medical Center
	Amber Stevenson	Clinch Valley Treatment Center
	Evelyn Hamilton	Creative Family Solutions
	Jewele Haynes	Cross Roads Point
	Franklin Horton	Cumberland Mountain CSB
	Jason Perkins	Cumberland Mountain CSB
	Rhonda Compton	Cumberland Mountain CSB
	Sherry Dye	DePaul Community Resources
	Rod McMurray	Family Preservation Services
	Sharon Taylor	Frontier Health / PD1 CSB
	Debbie Henninger	Frontier Health / Sunhouse
	Beth Young	Highlands Community Services
	Glenda Pollard	Hope Tree Family Services
	Amanda LaPointe	Infinite Potential Supportive Services
	Heather Murphy	Infinite Potential Supportive Services
	Sondra Rhoton	Mountain Connections
	Raymond Harrison	New Beginnings
	Kim Smith	Rachel's Haven
	Mark Vanover	Guest, Dickenson Community Hospital

**I. Welcome and Introductions**

Tracy Mullins, Chair, welcomed the attendants and introductions were made.

**II. Call to Order**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.

**III. Approval of the Minutes**

Motion was made by Jean Hankins and seconded by Mary Coppedge to approve the minutes of February 15, 2012 as presented. Motion carried.

**IV. Adopt Agenda**

Motion was made by Ms. Hankins and seconded by Ms. Coppedge to adopt the meeting agenda as written with the addition of a closed session to review a consumer's behavior plan from Cumberland Mountain Community Services Board. Motion carried.

**V. Advocate's Report**

Nan Neese, Regional Human Rights Advocate, expressed the need for provider-affiliates to recruit applicants for the Committee. Ms. Neese cautioned providers about being subject to a finding of violation and non-compliance if the Committee is without its mandated membership.

The SWLHRC is also in need of a new meeting location as the Oxbow Center is closing. Ms. Neese requested the location be as central as possible.

Ms. Neese reminded the Members and Providers of the DBHDS website for updates from the Office of Human Rights, the State Human Rights Committee's newsletter *Human Writes* and information about the Department of Justice (DOJ) settlement agreement.

Ms. Neese gave a brief overview of the discharge process for individuals moving to the community from DBHDS' training centers as a result of the DOJ settlement agreement. The Offices of Human Rights and Licensing will be conducting monitoring visits before and post discharge.

**VI. Affiliate Quarterly Reports**

The Committee reviewed the third and fourth quarterly reports of Rachel's Haven. The following first quarter reports were reviewed by the Committee: Cumberland Mountain Community Services; Frontier Health / PD1 Behavioral Health Services; Frontier Health / Sunhouse; Infinite Potential Supportive Services; Mountain Connections, Inc.; Hope Tree Family Services.

Motion was made by Ms. Hankins and seconded by Ms. Coppedge to accept the quarterly reports as submitted. Motion carried.

**VII. Annual Program Reports**

*Cross Roads Point, Inc.*

Jewelee Haynes presented the 2011 Annual Human Rights Report for Cross Roads Point, Inc. to the Committee.

*Hope Tree Family Services / Virginia Baptist Children's Home*

Glenda Pollard presented the 2011 Annual Human Rights Report for Hope Tree Family Services to the Committee.

*Infinite Potential Supportive Services*

Heather Murphy presented the 2011 Annual Human Rights Report for Infinite Potential Supportive Services to the Committee.

*Rachel's Haven*

Kim Smith presented the 2011 Annual Human Rights Report for Rachel's Haven to the Committee.

*Sunhouse / Frontier Health*

Debbie Henninger presented the 2011 Annual Human Rights Report for Sunouse to the Committee.

Motion was made by Ms. Hankins and seconded by Ms. Coppedge to accept the above 2011 Annual Reports as submitted. Motion carried.

**VIII. Provider Updates**

No updates at this time.

**IX. Requests for Affiliation**

*Family Preservation Services*

The Committee noted their receipt of written notice by Family Preservation Services of their request to extend its affiliation to include the provision of outpatient and substance abuse counseling services at their Pennington Gap and Norton locations. The Committee also included in its affiliation the expansion of the Therapeutic Day Treatment program to the Abingdon and Bristol locations of the Child Development Centers and Clintwood Elementary School in Dickenson County and to reopen the TDT program at Appalachia Elementary School in Wise County. Motion was made by Ms. Coppedge and seconded by Ms. Hankins to extend its affiliation to include the additional services and locations as requested by Family Preservation Services. Motion carried.

**X. Other Business**

The next meeting is scheduled for June 20, 2012 at 2:00 p.m.

**XI. Closed Session**

Motion was made by Ms. Hankins and seconded by Ms. Coppedge that the Southwest Local Human Right Committee go into closed session pursuant to VA Code §2.2-3711.A (4) and (15) for the purpose of protecting the privacy of individuals in personal matters not related to public business and the discussion of medical and mental health records, namely to review an individualized behavior plan from Cumberland Mountain Community Services. Motion carried.

Ms. Hankins moved and Ms. Coppedge seconded that the Southwest Local Human Rights Committee reconvene into public session. Motion carried.

Each member then certified that to the best of their knowledge only matters lawfully exempted from open meetings requirements were heard, discussed or considered.

The Committee thanked Jason Perkins, Cumberland Mountain Community Services, for the thorough presentation of the plan. Motion was made by Ms. Hankins and seconded by Ms. Coppedge that the Committee approve the plan for one year as presented. Motion carried.

**XII. Adjournment**

There being no further business, Ms. Mullins adjourned the meeting at 3:56 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Beth Young  
Administrative Liaison Assistant

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Tracy Mullins  
Committee Chair