

SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE

Approved Minutes

Wednesday March 19, 2025

9:30 am

The Barry Robinson Center

443 Kempsville Road, Norfolk, VA 23502

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Advocate Contact: Corie M. Reed (804.454.5064)

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Patricia Albritton -Acting Chair

Shawn Henry – Member

Norris Shermon-Member

Members Absent:

N/A

OTHERS PRESENT:

Latoya Wilborne –Regional Manager, DBHDS Region 5

Miracle Reed-Thompson- Human Rights Advocate; DBHDS Region 5 via Teams

Julie Delk - Barry Robinson Center

Lisa Marston-Legal Guardian

Matthew Baulmer -Brother

Erin King- VersAbility Resources

Ebonee Atkins-VersAbility Resources

Call to Order:

Mrs. Albritton called the meeting to order at 9:30 am

ROLL CALL/ATTENDANCE:

Those in attendance make introductions. Chair welcomes attendees.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Mrs. Albritton and seconded by Mrs. Henry and Mr. Shermon

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve December 18th, 2024, minutes was made by Mrs. Albritton and second by Mrs. Henry. Motion carried.

Public Comments:

None

Chairperson Announcements:

None

Regional Advocate Report /Upcoming Events

Advocate, Corie Reed informed the committee and guest of the upcoming events, new appointments, quarterly updates of Abuse, Neglect and Complaint allegations, active variances in Region 5, training offered through DBHDS for providers, recruitment efforts for both LHRCs and SHRC.

Abuse and Neglect Allegations	
July 1 – September 30, 2024	October 1 – December 31, 2024
472	466
Substantiated = 20	Substantiated = 66
Non-ANE Complaints	
July 1 – September 30, 2024	October 1 – December 30, 2024
117	93
Substantiated = 6	Substantiated = 10

Variances

Region 5 continues to have 10 active Variances:

12VAC35-115-50 (7) Communication via telephone: 3

12VAC35-115-50 (8) Visitation: 4

12VAC35-115-100 Restriction on Everyday Freedom: 1

12VAC35-115-100 (A)(1) and (110) Time Out: 1

12VAC35-115-100 (A)(1)(g) Use of Vending Machines: 1

Updates

Check out our recruitment efforts for LHRCs and SHRCs here:

LHRC and SHRC Recruitment Information 9.27.18

- To apply for the **LHRC**, please complete the application here: [LHRC Appointment Application 4.9.24](#)
- To apply for the **SHRC**, please complete the application here: [SHRC Appointment Application 4.9.24](#)

NEW Opportunity for Public Comment on Proposed DRAFT Noncontroversial Streamlining, Clarifying, and Regulatory Reduction Amendments

Update 1/9/2025: A *REVISED DRAFT* of the HRR has been posted to the OHR webpage and the [30 Day Comment Forum](#) will begin on 1/27/2025 and end at midnight on 2/26/2025. In accordance with the directive in the Governor's Executive Directive 1 to remove "regulations not mandated by federal or state statute, in consultation with the Office of the Attorney General, and in a manner consistent with the laws of the Commonwealth," the DBHDS Office of Human Rights reviewed the human rights regulations to identify noncontroversial amendments and developed a draft for consideration as fast track actions. There is a public comment forum for 30 days on this draft:

- [DRAFT Noncontroversial Regulatory Reductions to Chapter 115](#)
- [Public Comment Forum](#)

Upcoming Events

2025 training opportunities are available for Community-Based Providers on the OHR training schedule. Check out the 2025 training opportunities, and register today:

[2025-New-Provider-Orientation-Calendar.pdf](#)

[PDF-2025-Community-Provider-Training-Calendar.Final .pdf](#)

Upcoming 2025 SHRC Meetings

The full SHRC meeting schedule can be found here: [2025-SHRC-Meeting-Schedule-Web.docx](#)

LHRC Appointments:

Christy Kieschnick appointed on March 6th, 2025. Mrs. Kieschnick has been informed of all upcoming LHRC meetings.

Old Business:

The James Barry Robinson Institute – Variance Update

Mrs. Julie Delk presented the quarterly variance update:

- Telephone and visitation restrictions
- Program provides for children starting at age 6.
- At the time of admission, an approved list of contacts is created with the input from the client, clinician and the AR or legal guardian.
- No Complaints, violations or grievances

New Business:

Review of the rules, expectations and procedures when conducting or participating in LHRC fact finding hearings.

Due to not having a complete quorum of Southeastern Regional Committee Members, voting on Officers could be completed at the time of this meeting.

Closed Session:

Motion was made by Mrs. Albritton to enter Closed session at 9:45am, seconded by Mr. Shermom and approved for the Southeastern Regional LHRC to go into closed session pursuant to VA code 2.2-3711 (A), for the purpose of discussing confidential information lawfully exempt from public disclosure, to discuss Interviews and Fact Finding Hearing.

Open Session:

Upon reconvening in open session at 12:38 pm, each member certified that, to the best of each members knowledge, only private business matters, lawfully exempted from statutory open sessions requirements and identified in the motion by which the closed session was convened, were considered in the closed session.

Recommendations:

Motion was made by Mrs. Albritton and seconded by Mrs. Henry and unanimously approved by the committee to:

- LHRC members recommended for the SHRC for the appointment of Dr. N. Dolson and C. Frazier Southeastern Regional Local Human Rights Committee.

Meeting Adjourned:

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 18th, 2025, at 9:30. The location will be at The James Barry Robinson Institute - 443 Kempsville Road, Norfolk, VA 23502.

Hearing no business, Mrs. Albritton adjourned the meeting at 12:46pm.

*** Next Meeting:**

Date - Wednesday, June 18th , 2025 @ 930

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