

CHARLOTTESVILLE AREA LHRC

Approved Minutes

January 8, 2026

10:30am

500 Old Lynchburg Road Charlottesville, VA

MEMBERS PRESENT

Sarah Anders–Chairperson

Tricia Suszynski-Vice Chairperson

Larry Ragland – Member

Margaret Harvey– Member

Joey Warren -Member

Members Absent

Candy Keith – Member

OTHERS PRESENT

Artea Ambrose – Human Rights Advocate, DBHDS Region #1

Lequetta Hayes- Human Rights Advocate, DBHDS Region #1

Cassie Purtleburgh- Regional Advocate Manager, DBHDS Region #1

Megan Hensley-Wall Residences

Brandon Thorton-Valley CSB

Rachel Lockett-Valley CSB

Airiana Campbell-Valley CSB

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Anderson called the meeting to order at 10:31am.

ROLL CALL/ATTENDANCE

Those in attendance made introductions. Chair welcomes attendees.

Approval of Agenda

Ms. Anderson moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr.

Ragland. The motion was unanimously approved by all committee members present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Anderson moved for the October 2025 draft minutes to be approved. The motion was seconded by Mr. Harvey. The motion was unanimously approved by all committee members present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements from the Chair

Advocate Report and Training

ANE Complaints CSB/Providers	
Q1 (FY2026) July 1 – September 30, 2025	Q2 (FY2026) October 1 – December 31, 2025
263	258 (decrease of 5 reports for the quarter)
Substantiated = 83/263 = 31.6%	Substantiated: 75/258 = 29% (decrease of 2%)
Non-ANE Complaints CSB/Providers	
Q1 (FY2026) July 1 – September 30, 2025	Q2 (FY2026) July 1 – September 30, 2025
55	33 (decrease of 22 reports)
Substantiated = 9/55 = 16.4%	Substantiated = 6/33= 18% (increase of approximately 1.5% rate of substantiation)

Variations

There are currently no variations for community-based providers in Region 1.

Updates

- Check out our recruitment efforts for LHRCs and SHRCs here:
- 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](#)

Upcoming Events

2026 training opportunities have been posted on the OHR page on the DBHDS website for the first quarter (January – March). *Please ensure all investigators assigned to complaints involving allegations of abuse, neglect, or exploitation (ANE) have received training in investigations, as evidence of this training is required and must be documented by OHR in each ANE report.*

[Resources for Licensed Providers - Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services \(DBHDS\)](#)

Upcoming 2026 LHRC and SHRC Meetings

Dates are subject to change based on weather conditions, availability of an in-person quorum of committee members and appropriate and accessible meeting locations. Anyone may view and listen to open portions of any a Local or State Human Rights Committee meeting via the Microsoft Teams Webinar link for each specific meeting.

This information is available on the [Commonwealth Calendar – Home \(virginia.gov\)](#) You can use the following steps to search for LHRC and SHRC meeting information on the Commonwealth Calendar:

- *Select the date range for a meeting you are interested in.*
- *Select the Category for an “Open Meeting”*
- *Select the Sponsor as “Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, Department of”*
- *Enter a specific name of an LHRC, or simply “LHRC” or “SHRC” as a Keyword to assist in your search.*

Any changes to the LHRC meeting schedule will be reflected on the Commonwealth Calendar and parties are encouraged to look at the meeting information on the Commonwealth Calendar prior to planning their attendance

OLD BUSINESS:

- SHRC upheld the Fact-Finding Review completed by CA LHRC at October 2025 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

- Wall Residences- Megan Hensley- 1 Restriction
- Valley CSB- Brandon Thorton- 1 Restriction

CLOSED SESSION

Upon a motion made by Ms. Anderson and seconded by Mr. Ragland, the committee entered closed session pursuant to Virginia Code §2.2-3711a.15 and §2.2-37.05.5 for the purpose of discussion not related to public business.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Upon reconvening in open session, 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.

- Ms. Anderson moved to approve Wall Residences restriction plan for EC. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ragland. Ms. Warren abstained from voting due to a conflict of interest. Unanimously approved by all members present.
- Ms. Anderson moved to approve Valley CSB restriction plan for CH. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Harvey. Unanimously approved by all members present.

MEETING ADJOURNED

The next scheduled LHRC meeting is Thursday, April 9, 2026, at 10:30am at Region Ten CSB – 500 Old Lynchburg Rd, Charlottesville, VA.

Hearing no other business items, Ms. Anderson moved to adjourn and was seconded by Mrs. Harvey. Ms. Anderson adjourned the meeting at 11:03am.