

CENTRAL STATE LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
Central State Hospital
26317 W. Washington Street
Petersburg, Virginia 23803
Building 113 – Main Conference Room
January 11, 2018 6:00 PM
DRAFTED MINUTES

LIST MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chair: Liesl Lipford

Members: Sarah Stanford; Lauren Auster-Gussman; Mark Howard;

Advocates: Carrie Flowers; Sharae Henderson

LIST MEMBERS ABSENT: Hannibal Tuck, Jennifer Sistrunk

Guests: Jennifer Barker, Director of Patient Relations and Recovery

CALL TO ORDER

Liesel Lipford called meeting to order at 6:15 PM. Those in attendance make introductions.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- None

MINUTES

October 12, 2017 minutes reviewed. Noted corrections: Correct minutes to reflect change of second bullet under RETURN TO OPEN SESSION from "Abuse Summaries" to "Complaints". Correct minutes to reflect under ADVOCATE ANNOUNCEMENTS new member interview planned for April 2017 meeting. Motion to approve by Mark Howard, seconded by Lauren Auster-Gussman and unanimously approved by committee members in attendance.

AGENDA ITEMS

- Old Business – None
- New Business - Central State Hospital's Monthly Written report Concerning Implementation of Approved Variances for October, November, December 2017. Submitted by Jennifer Barker, Director of Patient Relations and Recovery Initiates.

CLOSED (EXECUTIVE) SESSION - Upon a motion made by Liesel Lipford, the committee entered closed session pursuant to Virginia Code §2.2-3711, a.15 and §2.2-37.05.5 for the purpose of discussion of medical record / treatment plans.

The following subject matters were discussed in Executive Session:

- Central State Hospital Monthly Allegations of Abuse and Neglect – September 2017-November 2017.

- Central State Hospital Individual Restrictions Forms for Restrictions from freedoms of everyday life. Restrictive behavior treatment plans.
- Central State Hospital Spit Guard Usage October 2017- December 2017.
- Central State Hospital Formal Complaints October 2017-December 2017.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION - Upon reconvening in open session, all members of the Local Human Rights Committee certified that to the best of each ones' knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempt from statutory open meeting requirements, and only public business matters identified in the motion to convene the closed session were discussed in closed session.

- Central State Hospital Monthly Allegations of Abuse and Neglect – October 2017- December 2017. Presented by Jennifer Barker, Director of Patient Relations and Recovery Initiates.

Action: Move to approve Mark Howard, Second Lauren Auster-Gussman. Motion approved unanimously.

- Central State Hospital Monthly Complaints Summaries –October 2017- December 2017. Presented by Jennifer Barker, Director of Patient Relations and Recovery Initiates.

Action: Move to approve Mark Howard, Second Lauren Auster-Gussman. Motion approved unanimously.

- Central State Hospital 30 Day Restrictions from freedoms of everyday life. Restrictive behavior treatment plans. Presented by Jennifer Barker, Director of Patient Relations and Recovery Initiates. The LHRC reviewed this request and accepted.

Action: Move to approve Mark Howard, Second Lauren Auster-Gussman. Motion approved unanimously.

- Central State Spit Guard Usage October 2017- December 2017. Presented by Carrie Flowers, Human Rights Advocate.

Action: Move to approve Mark Howard, Second Lauren Auster-Gussman. Motion approved unanimously.

ADVOCATE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- We are planning to interview a new member to interview at next meeting in April.
- We will need to complete elections, as April will be the last meeting of Liesl Lipford's current term.

COMMITTEE ADJOURNMENT OF GENERAL MEETING AT 6:45 AND ENTERED INTO FACT FINDING HEARING

NEXT MEETING – April 12, 2018 at 6:00 Central State Hospital.

CENTRAL STATE LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
Central State Hospital
26317 W. Washington Street
Petersburg, Virginia 23803
Building 113 – Main Conference Room
January 11, 2018 6:30 PM
DRAFTED MINUTES SPECIAL SESSION: FACT FINDING HEARING

LIST MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chair: Liesl Lipford

Members: Sarah Stanford; Lauren Auster-Gussman; Mark Howard; Jennifer Sistrunk

Advocates: Carrie Flowers; Sharae Henderson

LIST MEMBERS ABSENT: Hannibal Tuck

Guests: Mr. and Mrs. MacDougal on behalf of S.M.; Dr. Vauter, Facility Director at Central State Hospital

CALL TO ORDER

Liesel Lipford called meeting to order at 6:50 PM.

INTRODUCTIONS: Introduction of the LHRC, parties and their representatives.

REVIEW OF RIGHTS OF THE PARTIES:

REVIEW OF CLIENT'S ADDITIONAL RIGHTS:

REVIEW OF RIGHTS OF THE CLIENT FOR OPEN AND CLOSED HEARING.

- Mrs. MacDougal requested a closed hearing.

CLOSED SESSION: Upon a motion made by Mark Howard, the committee entered closed session pursuant to Virginia Code §2.2-3711, a.15, for the protection of the privacy of individuals' and their records in personal matters not related to public business. Lauren Auster-Gussman Second. Motion approved unanimously.

EXPLANATION OF PROCEDURES OF THE HEARING:

STATEMENT OF THE PURPOSE OF THE HEARING:

OPENING STATEMENTS:

PRESENTATION OF ISSUES:

CLOSING STATEMENTS:

END HEARING:

- Petitioners and hospital representative advised the LHRC will go into executive-closed session for deliberation concerning the petitions heard today. The committee intends to deliver it's findings to each party within 10 working days of this hearing (February 9, 2018). Either party has the right to appeal an adverse decision to the State Human Rights Committee.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION - Upon motion made by Liesl Lipford, committee reconvening in open session, Second Mark Howard. All members of the Local Human Rights Committee present certified that to the best of each ones' knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempt from statutory open meeting requirements, and only public business matters identified in the motion to convene the closed session were discussed in closed session.

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LHRC DELIBERATION:

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COMMITTEE FINDINGS & RECOMMENDATIONS:

To follow in form of letter from the chairperson Liesl Lipford.

NEXT MEETING – April 12, 2018 at 6:00 Central State Hospital.

MEETING ADJOURNED – Motion made to ADJOURN.
Meeting adjourned at 9:10 PM.