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LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE MINUTES
EASTERN STATE HOSPITAL
4601 Ironbound Road
Williamsburg, VA 23187-8791

February 18, 2010

MEMBERS PRESENT: Steven Bennett, Chair; Jajala Schweiger, Co-Chair; Emma Rhyne; Joyce Smith; Jason Mintel; John McMahon; Charles Loundermont and Alice Callahan

MEMBERS ABSENT: Ti'juana Gholson;

STAFF PRESENT: Dick Roberts, Resident Relations Liaison//Resident Safety Officer; Dennis Murray, Director's Office; Willie Barnes, Human Rights Advocate; Lisa Webster, LHRC Liaison-Support; Mark Stevens, VOPA Representative.

1. Call to Order

The Local Human Rights Committee meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. with Steven Bennett, Chair presiding, for the purpose of hearing business as presented on the agenda and such other transactions or matters that may be presented to the Committee.

2. Agenda

The February 18, 2010 agenda was reviewed.

Action: Motion was made by Mr. Loundermont and properly seconded by Mr. McMahon that the LHRC approve the February 18, 2010 Agenda as written. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Minutes

Minutes of January 21, 2010 LHRC meeting were reviewed.

Action: Motion was made by Ms. Schweiger and properly seconded by Mr. McMahon that the LHRC approve the January 21, 2010 Minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Hospital Directors' Reports

Dick Roberts/Dennis Murray presented the January 2010 Disposition of the Abuse/Neglect Investigations Report Mr. Roberts presented the Core Measures Statistical Report; Informal Complaints Report, VOPA and Peer/Peer Report and the Seclusion/Restraint Reports for January 2010. (See the February 18, 2010, LHRC packet).

**Follow-up-
Director's Report**

5. Core Measures

Mr. Roberts reported the first Core Measures Statistics to the committee.
Closed.

7. Peer/Peers – follow-up

Mr. Roberts reported on December 2009 Peer/Peer concerns by committee. It was found that each resident was an aggressor and it was one specific incident. The other concern it was found that the incidents were not related. One incident occurred in the morning and one occurred in the evening.

Action: Staff educated on how to report incidents. **Closed.**

8. Review of Policy #271-17 – Perimeter of Campus Grounds- Resident Privileges

Mr. Murray and Mr. Roberts explained the policy that pertained to the new building to committee members present.

Action: The policy was reviewed and discussed and accepted by the committee members present. **Closed.**

9. Receptionist for Building 1

Mr. Murray reported that they interviewed a resident to work 2 days a week as receptionist in Building. A system is in place to post phone numbers to assist visitors. **Closed.**

The committee members present accepted the Hospital Directors' Report for January 2010.

10. Hearing for KD

The LHRC Chair announced that there will be a hearing for KD on Thursday, March 18, 2010 promptly at 9:30 a.m. - Building 1 Room 102.

A recommendation was made that the Human Rights Office provides training to the members on "How to Conduct a Hearing" at 9:00 a.m. the day of the hearing in lieu of today, February 18, 2010 as planned.

A motion was made by Ms. Rhyne and properly seconded by Mr. Loundemon to have the OHR provide training on the day of the hearing (March 18, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.). All were in favor. The vote was unanimous. Seven (7) of the (8) members of the committee present will be participating in the training and hearing.

11. Change in Upcoming Meeting Due to Hearing

There was discussion about having a meeting and hearing on March 18, 2010.

A motion was made by Mr. Loundemon and properly seconded by Ms. Rhyne not to have a meeting March 18, 2010 if the Hearing is being held on March 18, 2010. The committee voted (7) for and (1) apposed. There will *not* be a meeting in March 2010.

12. **Open Forum**

13. **Announcement(s):**

14. **Adjournment-**

Having no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Smith and properly seconded by Mr. McMahon that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m. **The next scheduled meeting will be held Thursday, April 15, 2010 in Building #1- Room 102 at 10:30 a.m.**

Steven Bennett, Chair

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cc: LHRC Members
Hospital Director
Human Rights Advocate
Resident Relations Liaison/Resident Safety Coordinator