

CHARLOTTESVILLE AREA LHRC

Approved Minutes

January 9, 2025

10:30 am

500 Old Lynchburg Road, Charlottesville, VA 22903

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mary Sue Kivlighan– Committee Chairperson

Jeffrey Jones- Committee Vice Chairperson

Larry Ragland-Committee Member

Sarah Anderson-Committee Member

Tricia Suszynski-Committee Member

Candy Keith-Committee Member

Members Absent

None

OTHERS PRESENT

Cassie Purtlebaugh- Regional Manager, DBHDS Region 1

Artea Ambrose – Human Rights Advocate, DBHDS Region 1

Lequetta Hayes-Human Rights Advocate, DBHDS Region 1

Jessica Mason- Compassionate Connection Sponsored Residential Services

CALL TO ORDER

Mary Sue Kivlighan called meeting to order at 10.37 am.

ROLL CALL/ATTENDANCE

Those in attendance made introductions. Co-Chair welcomed attendees.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve agenda was made by Sarah Anderson and seconded by Jeffrey Jones.

Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve July 11, 2024, minutes was made by Larry Ragland and seconded by Sarah Anderson. Motion to approve October 10, 2024, minutes was made by Candy Keith and seconded by Sarah Anderson.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

FY2025 Q2 Advocate Comments

ANE Complaints CSB/Providers	
Q1 (FY2024) July 1 – September 30, 2024	Q2 (FY2024) October 1 – December 30, 2024
246	186
Substantiated = $72/246 = 29\%$	Substantiated = $55/186 = 29\%$
Non-ANE Complaints CSB/Providers	
Q1 (FY2024) July 1 – September 30, 2024	Q2 (FY2024) October 1 – December 30, 2024
40	9
Substantiated = $7/40 = 18\%$	Substantiated = $2/9 = 22\%$

Variances

There are currently no variances for community-based providers in Region 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](#)

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

- Compassionate Connection Sponsored Residential Services
- Appointment and Election of New Officers

CLOSED SESSION

Upon a motion made by Sarah Anderson and seconded by Candy Keith, 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 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.

- Compassionate Connection Sponsored Residential Services- Audio monitor, Larry Ragland made a motion to approve, and Jeffry Jones seconded the motion, to implement the restriction with no recommendations. Unanimously approved by all members present.
- Compassionate Connection Sponsored Residential Services- Locked cabinets, refrigerator, kitchen doors, common area camera at the kitchen door, Tricia Suszynski made a motion to approve, and Larry Ragland seconded the motion to implement the restriction with no recommendations. Unanimously approved by all members present.
- A motion was made by Tricia Suszynski and seconded by Jeffrey Jones to appoint Sarah Anderson as the new Chairperson for the CA LHRC. Unanimously approved by all members present.

- A motion was made by Candy Keith and seconded by Sarah Anderson to appoint Tricia Suszynski as the Vice Chairperson of the CA LHRC. Unanimously approved by all members present.

MEETING ADJOURNED

The next meeting will be held on April 10, 2025, at 10:30am. The meeting location will be Region Ten CSB with a virtual option for participants via TEAMS.

Hearing no other business, Mary Sue Kivlighan adjourned the meeting at 11:54am.