

STAUNTON AREA LHRC

Approved Minutes

April 2, 2024

10:30 AM

MEMBERS PRESENT

Abby Shirkey—Chairperson

Doug Cochran—Member

Kim Nine—Vice Chairperson (Virtual Attendance)

Members Absent

OTHERS PRESENT

Riley Curran - Human Rights Advocate, DBHDS OHR

Brandon Charles, MSW – Manager of Facility Operations, DBHDS OHR

Patrick Robertson – Director’s Liaison, Western State Hospital

Anna Lacey—Psychologist, Western State Hospital

Lillian Tidler, MD – Psychiatrist, CCCA

Lydia Barlow—Community Member

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Abby Shirkey at 10:38 AM.

ROLL CALL/ATTENDANCE

Those in attendance made introductions.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was submitted with a deletion and additions a motion to approve was made by Abby Shirkey seconded by Kim Nine.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were motioned to be approved by Abby Shirkey seconded by Kim Nine.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were made.

ADVOCATE REPORT AND TRAINING

Riley Curran provided the advocate report to include facility data regarding quarterly ANE and Complaint Statistics, summary of current Variances, local updates, and upcoming events.

OLD BUSINESS (Open Session)

CLOSED SESSION

Upon a motion made by Abby Shirkey and seconded by Kim Nine 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 treatment plans.

NEW BUSINESS (Closed Session)

- WSH Variance Quarterly Update

Dr. Anna Lacey, psychologist at Western State Hospital, provided a quarterly update on WSH's variance for an individual. Abby Shirkey, chairperson, acknowledged receipt on behalf of the Staunton Area LHRC.

- WSH Phone Restriction Review

A violation was identified for the WSH phone restriction. WSH's Phone Restriction was in violation of 12VAC35-115(50)(C)(7)(b). A violation letter was issued on 4/2/24 and it was recommended that the advocate provide the LHRC with the corrective action plan update at the next scheduled SALHRC meeting.

- CCCA Personal Property Restriction

A motion was made by Abby Shirkey and seconded by Kim Nine that the CCCA Personal Property Restriction was done in compliance with the Human Rights Regulations.

- Catawba Next Friend Review

A motion was made by Abby Shirkey and seconded by Kim Nine that the Catawba Next Friend Review was done in compliance with the Human Rights Regulations.

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.

MEETING ADJOURNED

The meeting was adjourned by Abby Shirkey at 11:58AM. The next meeting date is on July 2, 2024 at 10:30 AM located at Western State Hospital.

