Central Region LHRC

Meeting May 21, 2025 Approved Minutes

7810 Winterpock Rd. Chesterfield, VA 23832

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Members Present:

Edward Helton, Chair

Bonnie Greene, Vice Chair

Charita Threatt, member

Deborah Greene

Wanangwa Mkamdawire

A motion to allow Dr. Scott to attend virtually by Deborah Greene and seconded by Bonnie Greene. All in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

Members Present Virtually:

Dr. Robyn Scott, member, Chesterfield, attended virtually.

Members Absent

Londella Hamilton

Others Present

Bridgette Bland, Office of Human Rights Region 4, Technical advisor to Central Region LHRC

Andrea Millhouse, Office of Human Rights Region 4, Regional Manager, attended virtually

Amya Henderson Office of Human Rights Region 4, Technical advisor to Petitioner

Call To Order

Edward Helton, Chairperson, called meeting to order at 9:40 am May 21, 2025 meeting. We do have a quorum for today's meeting that was held in person.

Roll Call/Attendance

Those in attendance made introductions. Chair welcomed attendees.

Approval of agenda

Bonnie Greene made a motion to accept the agenda; Deborah Greene seconded the motion to accept the agenda for today's meeting. Agenda approved.

Review and Approval of Minutes

Review minutes. Charita Threatt made a motion to accept draft minutes as written, Bonnie Greene seconded. Draft minutes have been accepted as written.

Public Comments

None

Chairperson Announcements

Please remember to promptly respond to requests to establish a quorum. Not responding delays the process to conduct the business of the LHRC.

LHRC Bylaws require that members shall attend all regular and special meetings of the LHRC. If a member misses two or more regularly scheduled meetings within a 12 month period. They are subject to a recommendation for removal by a majority vote of the LHRC. The calendar year starts in January. If you have difficulty with attendance, please speak with the chair.

Advocate Report

- a. Quarterly ANE and complaint statistics
- b. Upcoming Events
- c. LHRC training

Advocate report read by Bridgette Bland read to the committee.

Upcoming SHRC meeting dates.

LHRC Training presented by Bridgette Bland, LHRC Review Forms

Old Business

None

NEW BUSINESS

Restriction Review:

- a. Restriction Review- MaxCare Health & Residential Services
- b. Restriction Review- Blue Ridge Residential Services
- c. Fact Finding Hearing -Petitioner A.K. vs. Gateway Home, Inc.- Action Plan
- d. Fact Finding Hearing -Petitioner A.K. vs. Gateway Home, Inc.

Closed Session

Upon a motion made by Bonnie Greene and seconded by Deborah Greene the committee entered closed session pursuant to Virginia Code 2.2-3711.a.15 and 2.2-3 for the purpose of Fact-Finding Hearing.

Fact finding hearing held in closed session.

LHRC remained in closed session for the purpose of review of the Restriction Review Requests.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Upon a motion made by Deborah Greene and seconded by Bonnie Greene, the committee returned 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, namely, to conduct provider restriction review request and fact-finding hearing.

Vote in Open Session

Restriction Review- MaxCare Health & Residential Services- Unanimous vote for provider to return during the July 16, 2025 meeting for an update with progress to the restriction.

Restriction Review- Blue Ridge Residential Services- Unanimous vote for requested restrictions

Fact Finding Hearing -Petitioner A.K. vs. Gateway Home, Inc.- Action Plan- Unanimous vote no violation regarding the provider action plan.

Deliberations will reconvene on May 28, 2025 at 1:00PM to review additional exhibits presented during Fact Finding Hearing -Petitioner A.K. vs. Gateway Home, Inc.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 1:18p.m

*Special meeting Date-May 28, 2025 at 1:00PM virtually.

*Next Meeting Date – July 16,2025 at 7810 Winterpock Rd., Chesterfield, VA 23832

Addendum

Special Meeting held May 28, 2025 virtually at 1:00PM

Members Present Virtually:

Edward Helton, Chair Bonnie Greene, Vice Chair Charita Threatt, member Deborah Greene Wanangwa Mkamdawire

Others Present

Bridgette Bland, Office of Human Rights Region 4, Technical Advisor to Central Region LHRC

Tomeka Gilbert, Office of Human Rights Region 4

Call to Order

Edward Helton, Chairperson, called meeting to order at 1:03 PM May 28, 2025 meeting. We do have a quorum for today's special meeting.

Charita Threatt made a motion to add the special meeting minutes as an addendum to May 21, 2025 meeting minutes, Robyn Scott seconded. All in favor and approved. Special meeting minutes will be to the May 21, 2025 meeting.

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Fact Finding Hearing -Petitioner A.K. vs. Gateway Home, Inc.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Upon a motion made by Bonnie Greene and seconded by Charita Threatt, the committee returned 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, namely, fact finding hearing deliberations.

Finding #1: 12VAC35-115-50(B)(2): No violation. Unanimous

Finding #2: 12VAC35-115-50(B)(2): No violation. Unanimous

Finding #3: 12VAC35-115-50(B)(2): No violation. Unanimous

Finding #4: 12VAC35-115-50(C)(2): No violation. Unanimous

Finding #5: 12VAC35-115-175(B)(3): No violation. Unanimous

Finding #6: 12VAC35-115-175(C)(1): Undetermined

Edward Helton: Violation
Bonnie Greene: No violation
Robyn Scott: No violation
Charita Threatt: Violation
Deborah Greene: No violation
Wanangwa Mkandawire: Violation

Finding #7: 12VAC35-115-175(C)(2): Undetermined

Edward Helton: Violation
Bonnie Greene: No violation
Robyn Scott: No violation
Charita Threatt: Violation
Deborah Greene: No violation
Wanangwa Mkandawire: Violation

Finding #8: 12VAC35-115-175(C)(3): Undetermined

Edward Helton: Violation
Bonnie Greene: No violation
Robyn Scott: No violation
Charita Threatt: Violation
Deborah Greene: No violation
Wanangwa Mkandawire: Violation

Finding #9: 12VAC35-115-175(C)(4): No violation. Unanimous

Finding #10: 12VAC35-115-175(C)(5): No violation. Unanimous

Finding #11: 12VAC35-115-175(C)(6): No violation. Unanimous

Finding #12: 12VAC35-115-175(C)(7): Violation. Unanimous

Finding #13: 12VAC35-115-175(C)(8): Undetermined.

Edward Helton: Violation
Bonnie Greene: No violation
Robyn Scott: No violation
Charita Threatt: Violation
Deborah Greene: No violation
Wanangwa Mkandawire: Violation

Finding #14: 12VAC35-115-175(C): Violation. Unanimous

Recommendations:

- · It is recommended that Gateway Homes, Inc., update their Human Rights Complaint Policy to align with the Human Rights Regulations.
- · It is recommended that the Office of Human Rights shall recommend a citation for the violation of services 12VAC35-115-60(B)(2) regarding the provider ensuring that services including medical services and treatment, are at all times delivered in accordance with sound therapeutic practice.

\cdot It is recommended that Gateway Homes, Inc. shall ensure training for all staff to include first-person language.
Meeting Adjourned at 3:11PM
Respectfully Submitted,
Charita Threatt, Secretary
Central Region Local Human Rights Committee