APPALACHIAN COMMUNITY LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
MINUTES
January 27, 2016, CONFERENCE ROOM 2, SWVTC

The Appalachian Community Local Human Rights Committee (ACLHRC) met on Wednesday, January 28, 2015.

MEMBERS PRESENT:                      MEMBERS ABSENT:
Helen Rippey                           Bill Bowers
Vickey McCarty                        
Nancy Thurman                         
Dona Blair                            
Frank Diamond                        
Sandy Yates                           

OTHERS PRESENT:                        
BJ McKnight, Human Rights Advocate, DBHDS 
Tammy Mabe, Risk Manager, SWVTC 
Crystal Vaughan, Administrative Support 
Patricia Bullion, Director of Staff Development, SWVTC 
Myrtle McMillan, Staff Development Coordinator, SWVTC 
Thomas “Squeak” McKnight, Psychology Assistant, SWVTC 
Priscilla Mays, Discharge Coordinator, SWVTC

I. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER.
Sandy Yates, Chairperson, called the meeting to order.

II. INTRODUCTIONS
No introductions were made at the ACLHRC meeting.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT
No public comments were presented at the ACLHRC meeting.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Approved on a motion by Frank Diamond with a second by Helen Rippey the agenda was unanimously approved by the ACLHRC.

V. APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 28, 2015 MEETING MINUTES
By a motion by Frank Diamond and a second by Nancy Thurman the October 28, 2015 Meeting Minutes were unanimously approved by the ACLHRC.
VI. TOVA PRESENTATION – PATRICIA BULLION, STAFF DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR

Patricia Bullion, Squeak McKnight, and Myrtle McMillan presented TOVA restraint, physical holds, and practices. They made sure to reiterate that 95% of the TOVA program focuses on preventative measures. Tammy Mabe and Priscilla Mays helped demonstrate one restraint that requires 4 staff. Vickey McCarty requests notification of the next full TOVA course.

VII. VIRGINIA TECH/RADFORD UNIVERSITY RESEARCH UPDATE

Patricia Bullion presented the research update. The research team visited the SWVTC campus on January 21. The family interviews also have already taken place. SWVTC staff went above and beyond to ensure client confidentiality was maintained in the process of obtaining approvals for individuals to participate in this study. The research will continue after the 11 individuals participating are discharged into the community.

VIII. SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA TRAINING CENTER REPORT

Tammy Mabe, Risk Manager, presented the SWVTC Provider Quarterly Report of Human Rights Activities for the fourth quarter (October 1 – December 31, 2015).

In Larry Smith, Chief of Program Support Services’ absence, Tammy also presented the SWVTC Provider Quarterly Report of abuse/neglect investigations and corrective action plans for the fourth quarter (October 1 – December 31, 2014). She also gave the Annual Report for 2015.

Priscilla Mays, Discharge Coordinator, presented the Discharge Report. She updated the census as it had dropped to 109 since the original report was mailed out.

A motion to accept the reports was made by Frank Diamond and was seconded by Helen Rippey. Unanimously approved by the ACLHRC.

IX. ADVOCATE’S REPORT

BJ McKnight explained to the committee how to submit a Human Rights Public Comment online. Please contact her with any questions. Training will take place once the regulations are finalized.

Nan Neese has announced her retirement to the Office of Human Rights; it will be effective March 1, 2016.

A new children’s crisis stabilization program is coming to the Mount Rogers CSB area.

X. OTHER BUSINESS
The ACLHRC did not present any other business.

XI. Vickey McCarty made a motion to adjourn the January 27, 2016 meeting; this was seconded by Dona Blair and unanimously approved.

Approved:

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Sandy Yates, Chairperson