APPALACHIAN COMMUNITY LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
MINUTES
October 25, 2017, CONFERENCE ROOM 2, SWVTC

The Appalachian Community Local Human Rights Committee (ACLHRC) met at 2:00 p.m. on
Wednesday, October 25, 2017.

MEMBERS PRESENT:                                           MEMBERS ABSENT:
Sandy Yates, Chair                                            Vickey McCarty, Secretary
Helen Rippey, Vice Chair                                     Michael Dorsey
Katie Edwards                                                
Connie Carpenter                                              

OTHERS PRESENT:
B. J. McKnight, Human Rights Advocate
Rebecca Oakes, Administrative Assistant, SWVTC
Sharon Albertson, Psychologist, SWVTC
Greg Huff, Psychologist, SWVTC

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER
Sandy Yates, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

INTRODUCTIONS
Introductions were made and the Chair welcomed the members and others present to the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT
No public comment was received at the meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Helen Rippey made a motion to approve the agenda with a second by Connie Carpenter. The revised
agenda was unanimously approved by the ACLHRC.

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 25, 2017 MEETING MINUTES
By motion of Katie Edwards and a second by Helen Rippey the June 28, 2017 Meeting Minutes were
unanimously approved by the ACLHRC.

APPROVAL OF 2018 LHRC MEETING SCHEDULE
By motion of Katie Edwards with a second by Connie Carpenter the 2018 LHRC Meeting Schedule was
unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF ACLHRC BYLAWS
By motion of Helen Rippey and a second by Katie Edwards the ACLHRC Bylaws were unanimously
recommended to the SHRC for approval.
SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA TRAINING CENTER BEHAVIOR SUPPORT PLAN REVIEW
PER 12VAC35-115-100 B. 5. (Closed Meeting)
Helen Rippey made a motion with a second by Katie Edwards that the LHRC enter closed session pursuant to VA Code §2.2-3711 A. 4. for the purpose of protection of the privacy of individuals in personal matters not related to public business namely to conduct review of individual restrictions of dignity and/or freedoms per 12VAC35-115-100 B. 5.


Upon completion of the presentations, the Chair reconvened the LHRC in open session and all ACLHRC members present certified that to the best of each member’s knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempt from statutory open meeting requirements, and only public business matters identified in the motion to convene the closed session, were heard, discussed, or considered in the closed session.

Having reviewed the Behavior Support Plans and heard the presentations by Ms. Albertson and Mr. Huff and upon a motion by Katie Edwards, the ACLHRC voted unanimously to accept the Behavior Support Plan Updates and plan changes as in compliance with 12VAC 35-115-100 B. 5.with a recommendation to verify documentation of AR consent for two Behavior Support Plans.

MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT (Applicant Interviews – Closed Session)
The ACLHRC reviewed the current membership roster and discussed the continued need to recruit for one consumer vacancy.

ADVOCATE’S REPORT AND UPDATES
B.J. Mc Knight presented Freedom of Information Act and the Office of Human Rights LHRC Training for enabling legislation, organizational structure, role and responsibilities of the LHRC, and individual rights per 12VAC 35-115 regulation in the following areas: Dignity, Participation in Decision Making and Consent, Freedoms of Everyday Life, Behavioral Treatment Plans, Research, Authorized Representative, and Variances.

OTHER BUSINESS
The ACLHRC did not present any other business.

ADJOURN
Katie Edwards made a motion to adjourn the October 25, 2017 meeting at approximately 4:00 p.m. with a second by Connie Carpenter and unanimous approval by the members present. The next meeting is scheduled for January 24, 2018.

Sandy M. Yates, Chairperson

Date 1/24/18