MINUTES
LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA TRAINING CENTER
April 26, 2006

PRESENT: Donald Lyons, Chairperson
Charlotte Barkley
Wilma Brown
Joyce Bunn
Loretta Evans
Betty Meredith
Denice Olinger
Dr. Ohlen Wilson
Sandy Yates
BJ McKnight, Human Rights Advocate
Karen Poe, Staff Development Director

The Local Human Rights Committee for Southwestern Virginia Training Center met on Wednesday, April 26, 2006, at 2:00 p.m. in the IHP Review Room. Chairperson, Donald Lyons, called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m. and presided.

The first order of business was to conduct a hearing in response to a petitioner for appeal of violation of visitation submitted by Nan Neese, Regional Advocate, in behalf of a parent and LAR.

Joyce Bunn made the motion that the LHRC convene in Closed Session to protect the privacy of individuals in personal matters not related to public business including the review and consideration of health records, namely to conduct a fact-finding hearing. The motion was seconded by Denice Olinger and unanimously carried.

Upon completion of the hearing in Closed Session, a motion was made by Sandy Yates, seconded by Loretta Evans, that the LHRC convene in Open Session. The motion carried.

Upon reconvening in Open Session at 4:35 p.m., the Local Human Rights Committee unanimously certified that, to the best of each member’s knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempted from statutory open meeting requirements, and only public business matters identified in the motion to convene the Closed Session, were discussed in the Closed Session.

Due to the lateness of the hour, it was the consensus of the LHRC members to schedule a sub-committee meeting on another date to review the restrictive plans on today’s agenda. The group did, however, conduct an emergency medication review, which will be added to the sub-committee agenda. They further agreed to postpone the review of the March meeting minutes until the May 24, 2006, monthly meeting.

A motion was made by Loretta Evans and seconded by Joyce Bunn that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried.