

Rappahannock-Rapidan LHRC
1220 Bank Street, Richmond, Virginia
March 15, 2021 at 10:30am
Minutes

LIST MEMBERS PRESENT: Jackie Dare, Ann Garrett, Betsy Knight-Reid, and Arla Jean Lewis

LIST MEMBERS ABSENT: Phyllis Ryan

CALL TO ORDER

Jackie Dare called meeting to order at 10:35am. Welcome committee members.

MINUTES

October 2020 minutes were motioned to be approved by Dr. Garrett and seconded by Ms. Lewis. The committee approved the minutes by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

ADVOCATE ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Transition to Facility Advocate Manager has been finalized. Brandon Rotenberry has assumed the position full-time, which includes advocate supervision for all state facilities (WSH/CCCA applicable to Region 1). Artea Ambrose and Cassie Purtlebaugh will continue to support the LHRC transition to Maynard and Brandon over the next few months.
- The process for Fit Testing has been initiated for all Office of Human Rights (OHR) staff. New Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) has been ordered to assure advocate safety when interacting with individuals. All advocates attended required training specific to the use of PPE and localized fit testing is expected in March, 2021.
- Incident Management Unit (IMU) is now in Region 1 - this is an Office of Licensing (OL) unit with which the Office of Human (OHR) is working collaboratively which flags cases based on patterns and specific types of incidents - for example, if an individual has 3 Serious Incident Reports in a 30 day period, the case is flagged for review by both OHR and OL. This helps to ensure that we see potential patterns of Abuse/Neglect.
- Regional Advocate has started FY2020 Look Behind process which will occur throughout 2021. All FY2019 Look Behinds and Inter-Rater reviews were completed by December 2020.

AGENDA ITEMS/NEW BUSINESS:

- FOIA Training
- Recruitment of New members discussion
- June 15, 2021; September 21, 2021; December 7, 2021. Meeting time is 10:30am.

NEXT MEETING – June 15, 2021 at 10:30am at 15361 Bradford Rd, Culpeper, Virginia.

MEETING ADJOURNED – Motion made to adjourn by Dr. Garrett seconded by Ms. Knight-Reid.

Meeting adjourned at 11:05am.

These Minutes were transcribed by Artea Ambrose, Human Rights Advocate.