## Western State Hospital Staunton, Virginia

## Local Human Rights Committee Meeting Minutes Jeffreys Building, Room 86 & 87 at 2:30 p.m. October 22, 2007

- Present: Debbie Harris, Ski Washington, Rev. David Reed, Committee Members; Susan Frushour, Director's Liaison; and Zachary DeVore, VOPA; and Randy Urgo, WSH Advocate
- Absent: Chuck Collins, Regional Advocate, Linda Thumma, Karen Cochran, Committee Members and Brenda Coleman, VOPA

Debbie Harris, Chair, called the meeting of the Local Human Rights Committee to order on October 22, 2007. A quorum of members was present. Minutes of the September meeting were reviewed and approved.

Randy Urgo presented the Advocate's Report. He also gave the Committee an update on the independent evaluation for P.S., stating the evaluation was cancelled again by the private psychiatrist. The Committee recommended that another resource be found for the assessment. Mr. Urgo will contact the Medical Director on this issue.

Zachary DeVore gave the VOPA report.

Members of the B2 Treatment Team gave an overview of the ward and program description to the Committee. The Committee commended the B2 team for having seven (7) members, including the psychiatrist, present to talk about the program.

Susan Frushour reported on the Barriers to Discharge and the opening of two new group homes. The Informal Complaints report was reviewed and Ms. Frushour will report back on an individual having problems with missing items on Ward C1/2.

The Committee then voted to hold the November/December meeting on December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 12:30 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED:

Margaret Bowman Secretary, LHRC

Debbie Harris Chair,