



**SPECIAL MEETING of the VIRGINIA HIGHLANDS LHRC
Subcommittee Minutes
Review of ECT Consent
March 22, 2016**

ATTENDANCE

Committee:

Present: Mr. Denton Staley, Chair; Ms. Deidra Mathena, Ms. Rachel Jones

Absent: Ms. Beverly Derian, Ms. Willie McFarlane, Ms. Elvera McLees, Mr. Mark Fendig

Others Present:

Dr. Everett Jones; Ms. Cynthia McClaskey, Facility Director; Ms. BJ McKnight, Human Rights Advocate; and Ms. Patricia Evans, CAP, Administrative Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Denton Staley, Chairperson, called the Local Human Rights Subcommittee (LHRC) meeting to order at 12:45 P.M. on Tuesday, March 22, 2016, at Southwestern Virginia Mental Health Institute, Learning Center Dogwood Room.

CLOSED SESSION

Ms. Mathena moved that the LHRC go into closed session pursuant to VA Code §2.2-3711.A. (4) and (15) for the purpose of protecting the privacy of individuals in personal matters not related to public business and the discussion of medical and mental records, namely to conduct a review of informed consent related to treatment with Electroconvulsive Therapy (ECT). Ms. Jones seconded the motion. The Chair requested all in favor to signify by saying "Yes" and all those opposed indicate by saying, "No." The motion carried.

Ms. Jones moved that the LHRC return to open session with a second by Ms. Mathena. The motion carried unanimously. The Chairperson asked each member to certify that to the best of their knowledge only matters lawfully exempted from open meetings requirements were heard, discussed, or considered. Each member replied "I so certify."

OPEN SESSION

Ms. Mathena made the motion regarding the Review of Informed Consent to ECT. Having heard the testimony from Dr. Everett Jones and reviewed the material evidence including but not limited to the record appointing the Authorized Representative and the written informed consent, the LHRC finds that Southwestern Virginia Mental Health Institute has obtained informed consent in



accordance with the Human Rights Regulations for the proposed Electroconvulsive Therapy (ECT). Ms. Jones seconded the motion. The Chair requested all in favor to signify by saying “Yes” and all those opposed indicate by saying, “No.” The motion passed.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next LHRC meeting is scheduled to be held on **Tuesday, May 17, 2016**, at 12:00 Noon in the Dogwood Room of the Training Center.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 P.M.

Chair