



ARLINGTON LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE

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Arlington Local Human Rights Committee Meeting
October 24, 2016
7:00 p.m.

Minutes

- LHRC members present:** Alicia Guajardo, Claudia Concha, Lindsay Murphy
- LHRC members absent:** Angela Griffin, Alonda Love, Sue Lowry
- Staff present:** Tim Simmons, Human Rights Advocate
Tom Wallace, LHRC Coordinator
- Staff absent:** None
- Affiliates present:** Arlington CSB, Community Residences
- Affiliates absent:** Fellowship Health Resources
- Guests:** Christopher Bennett and Thomas Walker, Encore Recovery Solutions
- Meeting location:** 2120 Washington Boulevard, Arlington

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Public Comment: None

Introductions

The committee and attendees introduced themselves.

New and Old Business

- Draft minutes from the July 2016 meeting were reviewed. No changes were made. Lindsay Murphy moved to accept the minutes; Claudia Concha seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.
- Affiliation request: Encore Recovery Solutions, a new substance abuse treatment provider in Arlington, has requested affiliation with the Arlington LHRC. Christopher Bennett and Thomas Walker from Encore provided an overview of their services and shared materials with the committee. Questions from the committee and from the human

rights representative were asked and answered. Given changes in the human rights regulations, and the firm's expected opening date after the new regulations are in place, they may not need to affiliate with the LHRC; a letter of affiliation will be drafted and shared with the committee and input will be sought from the human rights advocate.

Following the executive session at the end of the meeting, no additional business items were addressed.

Regional Advocate's Report

Tim Simmons provided the following information

- The new human rights regulations have been approved.
- The state has consolidated LHRCs into regional entities. For this region, the Arlington, and Fairfax LHRCs will be consolidated into the Alexandria LHRC to become the Northern Virginia Regional LHRC, which will meet at the Alexandria CSB. This means that this meeting was the last for the Arlington LHRC.
- Tim Simmons will further research the processes and issues that this committee raised during the meeting and will follow up.

Quarterly Provider Incident Reports: The members reviewed the quarterly incident report from L'Arche. The representative from L'Arche was unable to make the meeting due to a family emergency. Tom Wallace shared information that the representative had provided on the phone. Fellowship Health Resources was not in attendance to review their report as needed.

Executive Session: At 9:00 p.m., Lindsay Murphy read the committee into executive session with "I move that the Arlington Local Human Rights Committee go into executive session pursuant to Virginia Code, 2.2-3711.A., paragraph 15, for the protection of the privacy of individuals and their records in personal matters not related to Public Business." The motion was seconded and all members certified.

Quarterly Behavior Plan Reports: The committee reviewed behavioral reports.

Confidentiality Statement: At 9:35 p.m., The Committee came out of Executive Session to vote on the plans. Claudia Concha stated: "Each member shall certify that to the best of their knowledge that only matters for the protection of the privacy of individuals and their records in personal business were heard, discussed, or considered." Each member replied, "I so certify." Behavioral plans were approved.

Orientation and Training

Tim Simmons provided new members with a broad overview of the Virginia human-rights regulations and processes. He shared paper copies of the current regulations, human-rights processes and slides on FOIA. A new version of the regulations will be circulated when finalized. Tim Simmons answered questions as they arose.

Adjourn

Lindsay Murphy made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Claudia Concha. Meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Next meeting: The next meeting of the Northern Virginia Regional LHRC is November 16, 2016, at 7 p.m.

Meeting location: 720 N. St. Asaph Street, Alexandria, 4th floor conference room