

HUMAN RIGHTS AUTHORITY
SOUTH SUBURBAN REGION MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, May 13th, 2010
Sertoma Centre
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The regular scheduled meeting of the Human Rights Authority, South Suburban Region was called to order by Judith Rauls, Chairperson at 9:07 a.m.

PRESENT: Judith Rauls, Michele Arthur, Lauren Pell and Carol Genutis.

Members Absent: Bruce Berry, Kimberlee Brewerton and Theresa Buell.

STAFF: Geraldine Boatman

GUESTS: None

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson read the confidentiality statement. It was determined that a quorum was not present, and all business could be conducted except for approving the meeting minutes.

II. COMMUNICATION

The April 8th, 2010 Meeting Minutes could not be approved because a quorum was not present.

III. NEW COMPLAINTS

There were three new complaints for discussion.

10-040-9017 (Mental Health Center) Members consented to postpone accepting the complaint for investigation because a signed release was not received. Kimberlee Brewerton gave her vote for a majority after the meeting.

10-040-9021 (Mental Health Center) Members consented to postpone accepting the complaint for investigation because a signed release was not received. Kimberlee Brewerton gave her vote for a majority after the meeting.

10-040-9025 (Cila) Members consented to postpone accepting the complaint for investigation because a signed release was not received. Kimberlee Brewerton gave her vote for a majority after the meeting.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Chairperson motioned to move the meeting into closed session at 9:22 a.m. pursuant to Section 3955/21 of the Guardianship and Advocacy Act to discuss status of cases, provider's responses, reports, case assignments and case closures. The members present approved the motion.

New Case Assignments:

10-040-9017 (MHC)
10-040-9021 (MHC)
10-040-9024 (Burnham Healthcare) (Judy & Michele)
10-040-9025 (Cila)

Progress Reports:

10-040-9001 (Imperial of Hazel Crest) (Carol)
10-040-9005 (Heather Healthcare) (Judy)
10-040-9006 (Tinley Park Mental Health Center)
10-040-9007 (Sertoma Centre) (Theresa & Carol)
10-040-9010 (Palos Hospital) (Michele & Carol)
10-040-9011 (Trinity Cila Program) (Michele & Kim)
10-040-9013 (Advocate Christ Medical Center) (Lauren & Judy)
10-040-9014 (Trinity Behavioral Health Program) (Bruce & Theresa)
10-040-9015 (Riviera Care Center) (Judy & Carol)
10-040-9016 (Elizabeth Ludeman Developmental Center) (Theresa & Judy)
10-040-9020 (St. James Hospital) (Judy & Carol)
10-040-9023 (Individual Advocacy Group) (Judy)
10-040-9024 (Burnham Healthcare) (Judy & Michele)

Draft Reports/Responses

09-040-9010 (Tinley Park MHC) A provider's response was reviewed.
09-040-9011 (Saint James Hospital) A provider's response was not reviewed.
09-040-9012 (Tinley Park MHC) A provider's response was not reviewed.
09-040-9013 (Tinley Park MHC) A report of findings was reviewed
10-040-9004 (Woodside Extended Care) A provider's response was not reviewed.

Open session reconvened at 10:30 a.m. having taken no action in closed session. A summary of closed session included new case assignments, thirteen progress reports, one providers' response and one report.

V. Reports/Accept Response/ Closures/ Make Report Available to the Public

09-040-9010 (Tinley Park MHC) The provider accepted three of four recommendations in the report of findings. The provider did not accept recommendation #2 to revise the facility's consumer's rights statement #29 that address recipients' request to review their records. The members want to review the facility's policy and consumer's rights statement, and Section 110/4 of the Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Confidentiality Act. The case will be reviewed at the next meeting.

09-040-9011 (Saint James Hospital) The hospital had previously requested additional time for policy revision and staff training. The case will be reviewed at the next meeting.

09-040-9012 (Tinley Park MHC) The report cover letter is dated April 12th, 2010. The provider is still within the 30-day timeframe allowed to respond to the report of findings that contains violations. The case will be reviewed at the next meeting.

09-040-9013 (Tinley Park MHC) The members present consented to accept the report of findings that contains violations pending a majority vote. Kimberlee Brewerton gave her vote for a majority after the meeting.

10-040-9004 (Woodside Extended Care) The report cover letter is dated April 8th, 2010. The provider is still within the 30-day timeframe allowed to respond to the report of findings that contains violations. The case will be reviewed at the next meeting.

OTHER UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Carol Genutis, Lauren Pell and Michele Arthur completed mileage forms.

The next meeting is scheduled at Sertoma Centre in Alsip on June 10th, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Regional Authority is looking for citizen HRA members.

ADJOURNMENT

The members present consented to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol Genutis, Secretary
Human Rights Authority
South Suburban Region

