

PEORIA REGIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS AUTHORITY MINUTES
September 14th, 2011

The regular stated meeting of the Peoria Regional Human Rights Authority (HRA) was called to order at 1:00pm on Wednesday, September 14th, 2011 by Chairperson Meri Tucker.

The meeting was held at the Kewanee City Hall, 401 East Third Street, Kewanee, IL 61443

ROLL CALL

Present: Debra Goodwin, Dolores Sheen, Meri Tucker, Anne Hicke, Janelle Crump, Flora Knutson

Absent: Dean Steiner, Carolynsue Wolf

Staff: Gene Seaman

Guests: Diane Pflederer, prospective member
Jana K. Clancy, Special Education Services for Bradford School District
Dr. Ellin Lotspeich, Bradford School District Superintendent

The Chairperson stated that a quorum was present.

The Chairperson stated the personally identifiable information should not be presented in public meetings to protect the privacy of those persons with disabilities on whose behalf the HRA conducts investigations.

Introductions were made.

The motion was made by Flora Knutson to enter closed session at 1:04pm pursuant to Section 120/2 (c) (4) and (10) of the Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 20), Section 3955/10 of the Guardianship and Advocacy Act (20 ILCS 3955) and Section 110/5 of the Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Confidentiality Act (740 ILCS 110); the motion was seconded by Meri Tucker and carried. The purpose of the closed session was to discuss confidential information with guests.

The HRA returned to open session at 1:20pm having taken no action in closed session. The motion to return to open session was entered by Dolores Sheen and seconded by Debra Goodwin. The motion carried. The HRA reentered closed session at 2:15pm. The motion was made by Debra Goodwin to enter closed session and was seconded by Dolores Sheen. The motion passed. The HRA entered closed session to discuss confidential information about current cases. The HRA returned to open session at 3:24 having taken no action in closed session. The motion to return to closed session was made by Debra Goodwin and seconded by Dolores Sheen. The motion carried.

MINUTES

Flora Knutson made the motion to approve the July 13th, 2011 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Meri Tucker and the motion passed.

COMMUNICATIONS

The HRA reviewed newspaper articles associated with disability rights and correspondence dealing with prior cases. The HRA also met with prospective member Diane Pflederer and Flora Knutson motioned to refer Diane as a member of the Peoria Region HRA. The motion was seconded by Debra Goodwin and it passed. The HRA also discussed meeting locations and times for 2012.

NEW BUSINESS

Ratifications:

There were no ratifications at the meeting.

New Cases:

11-090-9028: St. Mary's Hospital - Gene Seaman gave an update on the report status. He stated that they discussed the site visit at the July meeting and informed the HRA that the draft report was pending.

11-090-9031: Wesley Village - Gene Seaman gave an update on the report status. He stated that they discussed the site visit at the July meeting and informed the HRA that the draft report was pending.

11-090-9035: North Central Behavioral Health Systems - Dolores Sheen discussed the site visit that was attended. Gene Seaman stated that a draft report was pending.

11-090-9039: Graham Hospital - Gene Seaman gave an update on the report status. He stated that they discussed the site visit at the July meeting and informed the HRA that the draft report was pending.

11-090-9040: Midland School District - Meri Tucker discussed the site visit that was attended. Gene Seaman stated that a draft report was pending.

11-090-9042: Human Service Center - Janelle Crump discussed the site visit that was attended. Gene Seaman stated that a draft report was pending.

11-090-9043: Methodist Medical Center - Gene Seaman stated that a site visit is scheduled to investigate the case.

12-090-9001: Bridgeway, Inc. - Gene Seaman stated that a site visit is scheduled to investigate the case.

12-090-9002: Bradford School District - Debra Goodwin discussed the site visit that was attended. Gene Seaman stated that there is a draft report pending.

DRAFT REPORTS

11-090-9008: Trinity Services - Dolores Sheen motioned to approve a draft report of the investigation. Flora Knutson seconded the motion and it was passed.

11-090-9022: Methodist Medical Center - Janelle Crump motioned to approve a draft report of the investigation. Flora Knutson seconded the motion and it was passed.

11-090-9025: Methodist Medical Center - Annie Hicke motioned to approve a draft report of the investigation. Janelle Crump seconded the motion and it was passed.

11-090-9029: Human Service Center - Dolores Sheen motioned to approve a draft report of the investigation. Flora Knutson seconded the motion and it was passed.

CASE CLOSURES

10-090-9026: Methodist Medical Center - Janelle Crump motioned to close the case and make it part of the public record. The motion was seconded by Debra Goodwin and the motion was passed.


11-090-9003: Midland School District - Anne Hicke motioned to close the case and make it part of the public record and to also send the report to the Illinois State Board of Education for informational purposes. Debra Goodwin seconded the motion and the motion was passed.

11-090-9009: Bridgeway, Inc - Flora Knutson motion to close the case and make it a part of the public record. The motion was seconded by Dolores Sheen and passed.

11-090-9019: Bridgeway, Inc - Janelle Crump motioned to request evidence of recommendation action. The motion was seconded by Dolores Sheen and passed.

ADJOURNMENT

3:38pm


Ann Hicke, Reporter