

SOUTH SUBURBAN REGION MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, June 14th, 2023

The Civic Center (In the Rotunda Room)

14750 Ravinia Avenue

Orland Park, Illinois 60467

The regular scheduled meeting of the Human Rights Authority, South Suburban Region was called to order by Carol Genutis, the Acting Chairperson at 10:24 a.m.

PRESENT: Carol Genutis, Patrice Henderson, Amy Upson, Pamela Cabrera, and Lisa Bellamy.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Hendiz Flynn and Kevin Gawthorp.

STAFF: Geraldine Boatman, HRA Regional Disability Rights Manager

GUESTS: None

I. CALL TO ORDER

The HRA Regional Acting Chairperson read the confidentiality statement. It was determined that at a quorum was present and that all business could be discussed.

II. COMMUNICATION

It was moved by Pamela Cabrera to accept the April 13th and May 10th, 2023, meeting minutes as amended, and the May minutes will reflect that the Timberline Knolls Residential Treatment Facility Report case #22-040-9013 did contain violations. The motion was seconded by Patrice Henderson and carried.

III. NEW COMPLAINTS

23-040-9008 (Hospital Unit) The complaint was discussed at the meeting. Patrice Henderson moved to postpone for acceptance because a signed release was not received. The motion was seconded by Lisa Bellamy and carried. The complaint will be reviewed at the next meeting.

23-040-9009 (Cila) The complaint was discussed at the meeting. Lisa Bellamy moved to accept the complaint for investigation. The motion was seconded by Amy Upson and carried. A signed release for investigation was received.

23-040-9010 (Nursing Home) The complaint was discussed at the meeting. Lisa Bellamy moved to accept the complaint for investigation. The motion was seconded by Amy Upson and carried. A signed release for investigation was received.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Acting Chairperson motioned to move the meeting into closed session at 11:05 a.m. pursuant to Section 21 of the Guardianship and Advocacy Act (20 ILCS 3955/21) and Section 120/2 (c) (4) of the Open Meeting Act (5 ILCS 120/2) to discuss case assignments, progress reports, reports of findings, responses, and cases closures. Pam Cabrera moved the motion. Lisa Bellamy seconded and carried.

There were two new case assignments.

Progress Reports

22-040-9009 (Amita Health St. Joe Medical Center) A report was not reviewed at the meeting as planned.

22-040-9015 (Burbank Rehabilitation Center) A meeting will be scheduled with the provider.

23-040-9002 (Silver Oaks Behavioral Hospital) A meeting will be held with the provider representatives on June 15th, 2023.

23-040-9006 (Lydia Healthcare) The medical record and policies requested have been received.

23-040-9007 (UChicago Hospital of Ingalls) The hospital's request for additional time to provide the recipient's medical record and policies was granted. The hospital reportedly will provide the requested information on or around June of 2023.

Reports\Responses

22-040-9001 (Northwestern Medicine Palos Hospital) The report did not contain any violations and a provider's response to the report was not reviewed at the meeting.

22-040-9009 (Amita Health St. Joe Medical Center) A report was not reviewed at the meeting as planned.

22-040-9013 (Timberline Knolls Treatment Center) The report did contain violations and a provider's response to the report was reviewed at the meeting.

23-040-9001 (Thornton Terrace Heights) A report will be voted on upon returning to open session.

Open session reconvened at 11:25 a.m. having taken no action in closed session. A summary of closed session included five progress reports, one report of findings, and two cases for possible closure. Pam Cabrera moved the motion. Lisa Bellamy seconded and carried.

Reports\Cases Closures\Accept Responses\Make Available to the Public

22-040-9001 (Northwestern Medicine Palos Hospital) It was moved by Lisa Bellamy to close the case and to make the report part of the public record. A provider's response to the report that did not contain any violations was not received. The motion was seconded by Patrice Henderson and carried.

22-040-9009 (Amita Health St. Joe Medical Center) A report was not reviewed at the meeting as planned.

22-040-90013 (Timberline Knolls Treatment Center) It was moved by Lisa Bellamy to accept the provider's response, to close the case, and to make the report part of the public record. The motion was seconded by Patrice Henderson and carried.

23-040-9001 (Thomton Terrace Heights) It was moved by Lisa Bellamy to accept the report approved by the Program Director. The motion was seconded by Patrice Henderson and carried.

OTHER UNFINISHED BUSINESS

It was moved by Lisa Bellamy to keep close the Executive Meeting Minutes for December 8th, 2002 and April 13th, 2023. The motion was seconded by Patrice Henderson and carried. There were no closed meeting minutes for February 9th, March 9th and May 10th, 2023 because of a quorum of members were not present at the meeting. The regional HRA did not meet in January of 2023.

Hendiz Flynn has submitted his resignation on the regional board. The members will vote on accepting Mr. Flynn's resignation at the next meeting.

Mandatory trainings for members were discussed.

The meeting packets were discussed.

The need for HRA volunteer members was discussed. A possible member has expressed an interest about joining the regional board.

The need to schedule site visits/virtual meetings was discussed.

The HRA public meetings will be held in person on the second Wednesday of the scheduled month at 10:00 a.m., effective June of 2023.

No scheduled regional meeting for July of 2023

The regional next scheduled public meeting will be held at the Sertoma Centre (Conference Room), 4331 Lincoln Highway, Matteson, Illinois 60443 on August 9th, 2023.

PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURNMENT

The Regional Acting Chairperson adjourn the meeting at 11:30 a.m. Pamela Cabrera moved the motion and Lisa Bellamy seconded and carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela Cabrera, Secretary
Human Rights Authority
South Suburban Region