
Human Rights Authority, North Suburban Region:
Tuesday October 1, 2024 5pm
IGAC 9511 Harrison Street Des Plaines, Illinois 6001 - LGI Room

MINUTES

Members Present: David Rubin, Jayme Crooks, Terri Steinberg, Mark Johnson, Adell Crump

Members Absent/Excused: None

Staff Present: Mariah Balaban, North Suburban HRA Disability Rights Manager; Alejandra Meza HRA Disability Rights Manager

Guests: Justin Houcek, potential member

Call to order Open Session

HRA Chairperson Steinberg called the regular monthly meeting of the Human Rights Authority, North Suburban Region to order at 5:04pm. The confidentiality statement was read.

Approval of Minutes

Chairperson Steinberg motioned to approve the open session minutes for August 2024 and June 2024 and to maintain the confidentiality the June 2024 closed session minutes as well as the previous six months of executive session minutes. Member Crooks seconded and the motion carried.

New Business

Member Rubin motioned to open an investigation into case 25-100-9007 against Endeavor Health Linden Oaks Hospital. Member Crump seconded and the motion passed. Member Crooks motioned to open an investigation into case 25-100-9008 against UChicago Medicine AdventHealth GlenOaks. Member Johnson seconded and the motion passed.

Potential board member

The board spoke with potential member Justin Houcek. Justin is an autism self-advocate and a current member of the Illinois Autism Task Force and on the CESSA state advisory committee.

Closed Session

Pursuant to the Guardianship and Advocacy Act (20 ILCS 3955/21) and the Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 120/2) Member Crump motioned to enter into a closed session to discuss confidential case matters related to cases: 23-100-9003 (Chicago Behavioral Hospital); 23-100-9006 (EMHC); 23-100-9001 (EMHC); 23-100-9004 (Ascension Saint Alexius); 22-100-9019 (Linden Oaks Behavioral Health). The Board unanimously seconded the motion and entered into closed session at 5:27pm

Open Session

Member Crooks motioned to return to open session, Member Crump seconded, and the Board returned to open session at 5:40pm

Ratification of previous action items

Chairperson Steinberg motioned to ratify previous action items which had been approved at past meetings without a quorum. Member Johnson seconded, and the motion carried to accept cases 24-100-9017 (Glenbrook Hospital); 24-100-9019 (Golf View Developmental Center); 25-100-9005 (Eden Supportive Living Fox Valley) pending ROI; 25-100-9006 (Lake Park Center).

Chairperson Steinberg motioned to ratify previous action items which had been approved at past meetings without a quorum. Member Johnson seconded, and the motion carried to not accept cases 25-100-9001 (Alexian Brothers Behavioral Health Hospital); 25-100-9002 (UChicago Medicine AdventHealth GlenOaks); 25-100-9003 (Association for Individual Development); 25-100-9004 (Josselyn Center).

Chairperson Steinberg motioned to ratify previous action items which had been approved at past meetings without a quorum. Member Johnson seconded, and the motion carried to accept the draft reports for cases: 22-100-9012 (EMHC); 22-100-9016 (Evanston Hospital); 22-100-9018 (EMHC); 22-100-9019 (Linden Oaks Behavioral Health); 22-100-9020 (Evanston Hospital); 23-100-9001 (EMHC); 23-100-9004 (EMHC).

Chairperson Steinberg motioned to ratify previous action items which had been approved at past meetings without a quorum. Member Johnson seconded, and the motion carried to accept **provider responses, case closures, and publishing of reports for cases:** 22-100-9010 (Highland Park Hospital); 22-100-9011 (Evanston Hospital); 22-100-9012 (EMHC); 22-100-9014 (Lake Behavioral Hospital); 22-100-9016 (Evanston Hospital); 22-100-9017 (EMHC); 22-100-9018 (EMHC); 22-100-9020 (Evanston Hospital); 22-100-9021 (Elgin Mental Health Center).

New Action Items

Member Crump motioned to accept the following action items, member Johnson seconded and the motion carried:

- A. Acceptance of draft reports:
 - 1. 23-100-9003 (Chicago Behavioral Center)
 - 2. 23-100-9005 (Kiley Developmental Center)
 - 3. 23-100-9006 (EMHC)
- B. Acceptance of provider responses and case closures/reports published:
 - 1. 23-100-9001 (EMHC)
 - 2. 23-100-9004 (Ascension Saint Alexius)
 - 3. 22-100-9019 (Linden Oaks Behavioral Health)
- C. Case closure: 25-100-9006 (Lake Park Center)

Other Business and Adjournment:

The HRA voted unanimously to keep Chairperson Steinberg in her role until the end of her board tenure in April 2025. The board voted unanimously to cancel November 5th meeting which falls on election day.

At 6:25pm Member Johnson motioned to end the meeting, Chairperson Steinberg seconded, and the motion carried.