

SOUTHEAST ALLIANCE

LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE (LHRC) MEETING

5:00 pm, Thursday, November 16, 2006

Alternative/Adult Education Building - Hampton

Members Present: Martha Tennille - Presiding
Timothy W. Dorsey
Richard Flournoy
Nathaniel Parker
Maude Robinson
Shirley Atkins

Members Absent: None.

Affiliates Present: Linda Major
Tammy Klemer
Willie Barnes - Advocate

Others Present: Joshua Cartwright

CALL TO ORDER Dr. Tennille called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

A motion was duly made and seconded at 5:10 p.m. to enter into Closed Session pursuant to Va. Code § 2.2-3711(A), for discussion or consideration of information excluded from the Freedom of Information Act, namely to discuss personnel matters involving LHRC members.

RECONVENED IN OPEN SESSION

Upon reconvening in open session at 5:37 p.m., members of the LHRC unanimously and individually certified that to the best of each member's knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempt from statutory open meeting requirements, and only public business matters identified in the motion to convene the Closed Session had been discussed in the Closed Session in accordance with Va. Code § 2.2-3711(A).

ACTION

A motion was made and duly seconded as follows: "Motion that the LHRC recommend the appointment of Joshua Cartwright as a member of the Southeast Alliance LHRC." Without further discussion, the motion was approved unanimously.

DISCUSSION

The H-NNCSB presented the Program Description and proposed Rules of Conduct for the South Eastern Family Project. Ms. Major confirmed that the Rules had been vetted through Mr. Daye's office and Mr. Daye's requested changes had been incorporated. Mr. Dorsey questioned the need to include the paragraph about a "Complaint Process" in the Rules because there already exists a complaint process in the H-NNCSB Human Rights Policy and Procedures (approved by the LHRC) that covers *all* programs under the H-NNCSB's auspices. Ms. Major confirmed that all clients receive a copy of the H-NNCSB Human Rights Policy and Procedures as part of their program check-in. Mr. Flournoy and Dr. Tennille commented that the Rules should contain a reference to the fact that any complaints can be brought under the complaint process contained in the H-NNCSB Human Rights Policy and Procedures.

ACTION

A motion was made as follows: "Motion to approve the Rules of Conduct for the Hampton-Newport News South Eastern Family Project with the following modification: The final paragraph shall read: "Complaint Process -- Any consumer or family member who is dissatisfied with the application by staff of the rules of conduct may complain to the Hampton-Newport News Community Services Board in accordance with the Hampton-Newport News Community Services Board Human Rights Policy and Procedures." Without further discussion, the motion was passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Submitted by Timothy W. Dorsey, Secretary