

CENTRAL REGION LHRC

Approved Minutes

November 19, 2025

9:30AM

7810 Winterpock Road Chesterfield, VA 23832

MEMBERS PRESENT

Edward Helton – Chairperson

Bonnie Greene – Vice-Chairperson

Deborah Greene – Member

Wanagwa Mkandawire- Member

Dr. Robyn Clark Scott – Member

Members Absent

Charita Threatt – Secretary

OTHERS PRESENT

Bridgette Bland – Human Rights Advocate

Tomeka Gilbert- Human Rights Advocate

CALL TO ORDER

Edward Helton, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:35AM.

ROLL CALL/ATTENDANCE

Introductions were made by all present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Deborah Greene made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Dr. Robyn Clark Scott. The motion was unanimously approved by all committee members present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from the August 20, 2025 meeting were reviewed. Bonnie Greene made a motion to approve the minutes from August 20, 2025. The motion was seconded by Deborah Greene. The motion was unanimously approved by all committee members present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were made.

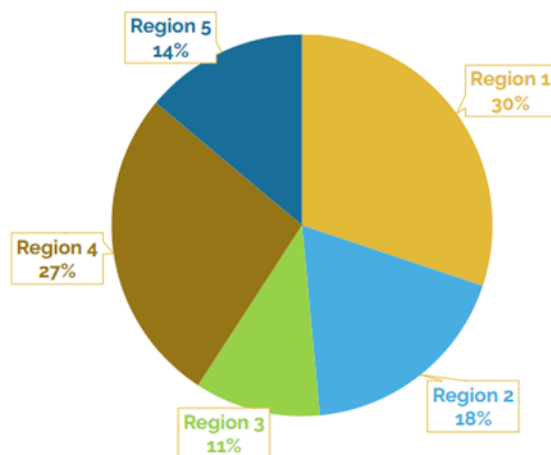
CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

ADVOCATE REPORT AND TRAINING

ANE Complaints CSB/Providers	
Q2 (FY2025) April 1 – June 30	Q3 (FY2025) July 1 – September 30
371 reported	463 reported
Substantiated = 107	Substantiated = 136
Non-ANE Complaints CSB/Providers	
Q2 (FY2025) April 1 – June 30	Q3 (FY2025) July 1 – September 18
99 reported	92 reported
Violation Found = 5	Violation Found = 13

% OF TOTAL REPORTS



Variances

There are currently no variances for community-based providers in Region 4.

Updates

- Updates on DBHDS Community Services Division Realignment can be found here: <https://www.dbhds.virginia.gov/community-services-division-reorganization>.

- https://6hrdjh6ab.cc.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001K3PmltyT34aqTxgakx8KM5b73dm9cEsEI6YQ3W23eqUwtl4qTMrJ0iseRsfeABlwXIFEHZ-29o36J6hHkVgpgJdTTN84s6ow-x4GOuvDJEC6gfjebSECKjxCiYsAcZCMjv-Dx-wPt3Tfn6f0q9Gbc3RW_FEjKo2hp75E0KeC80=&c=xrHHFCXz35B8MPupqSpudSnarOeO1_Qg1O_5GhbsY5xJEhE2FbI9QQ==&ch=5H-wl1q8xX-cZuc65L6TleYntcbfw3n2Y3EA4AtAynJ2Y-vN66DfFg==
- IFSP Funding Program portal is now open until October 30 , 2025. Information can be found here:
https://6hrdjh6ab.cc.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001cbWrKS72SQNC2W_HLHDqUHqi7fG2TcVIZEtT5vmHiU2Fww2Z0BmE3s3x1H1rXD8F3316d8WH29zPdNlCMF1skilK4JY6U1bF8WCfUrFUda89qtvdgo0-oeLfgrQaEMdi0SZzKQzKdFkFg4OUIpF7Mho5aEbSqcgXzsl2CfW34AWo0uLKEVHFivGEsWpbicUs9Q3Mn9o4vSNizMdVGojnC2yDID1geBHf1HHk3qhIE5X9GJEEqPjAs4HEtIPYjmf-xv6R4IJ1s=&c=Jen2wOSpe5Tv3XKh9z0FYAnC2JJHroN9GDSwvDIIEwPocvV8rFGH9Q==&ch=IqVPckcxEsfmQLOD7X-Hp2V48sh_VFP9TNRTDGYNok-BsitBKIm8A==
- 2025 RVATech Awards - DBHDS won the 2025 RVATech Public Sector Innovator of the Year Award. DBHDS received this award for the design and build of the Discharge Assistance Program application. This application was built in AWS leveraging a serverless/event driven architecture, enabling the real-time management of services and budgets associated with supporting the citizens of Virginia.
- OHR was featured in a recent “Conversations with the Commissioner” episode. The team members who represented the office were Andrea Milhouse (R4 Manager), Alonzo Riggins (Training and Development Coordinator), Artea Ambrose (Senior Human Rights Advocate), Jennifer Kovack (Associate Director, Community Operations), and Riley Curran (WSH/CCCA Human Rights Advocate).

LHRC Training Offerings: Opportunities for training should occur during the Advocate Comment period of each LHRC meeting. If you have questions related to LHRC training, please contact your LHRC Advisor:

- New Member Orientation/Refresher: LHRC Composition and Responsibilities (includes Robert’s Rules of Order) – Conducted via Teams w/OHR Training and Development Coordinator
- Complaints and Appeal Hearing Process (Mandatory - **at least annually**)
- Overview of Human Rights Regulation (Mandatory - **at least annually**)
- FOIA (Mandatory - **at least annually**)
- LHRC Review Forms (Mandatory - **at least annually**)
- Behavioral Support Plan Review
- Dignity

- Research
- Authorized Representatives/Next Friend
- Variances
- Restrictions on Freedoms of Everyday Life

Upcoming Events

- 2025 training opportunities are available for Community-Based Providers on the OHR training schedule. Check out the 2025 training opportunities, and register today:

[2025-New-Provider-Orientation-Calendar.pdf](#)

[PDF-2025-Community-Provider-Training-Calendar.Final_.pdf](#)

Upcoming 2025 SHRC Meetings

Next Meeting: 12/11/2025 – Region 5 (Williamsburg, Virginia) –

The full SHRC meeting schedule can be found here: [2025-SHRC-Meeting-Schedule-Web.docx](#)

The SHRC is required to meet at least 8 times a year. Unless special circumstances apply, administrative sessions normally convene at 8:30AM. Regular sessions normally convene at 9:00AM and run until all agenda items are addressed. Portions of meetings are held in closed session. Appeals are normally scheduled for late morning.

Advocate Bridgette Bland completed An Overview of Human Rights Training.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

CLOSED SESSION

Upon a motion made by Bonnie Greene and seconded by Dr. Robyn Clark Scott, the committee entered closed session pursuant to Virginia Code §2.2-3711, a.15 and §2.2-37.05.5 for the purpose of Restriction Reviews.

NEW BUSINESS

- Human Research Review- VCU HSA -Update
- Restriction Review: Counseling Advocacy and Associates- Update
- Restriction Review - Wall Residences-Update
- Restriction Review-Wall Residences
- Restriction Review- Diversity Training and Support Center, LLC
- Restriction Review-VCU/VTCC

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Upon a motion made by Bonnie Greene and seconded by Deborah Greene, the committee returned to open session. Upon reconvening in open session, each member certified that, to the best of each member's knowledge, only private business matters, lawfully exempted from statutory open session requirements and identified in the motion by which the closed session was convened, were considered in the closed session, namely, to conduct a Restriction Reviews.

LHRC 2025 Meeting Location and Schedule

- i. February 18, 2026
- ii. May 20, 2026
- iii. August 19, 2026
- iv. November 18, 2026
- v. January 21, 2026 (alternative meeting date)
- vi. July 15, 2026 (alternative meeting date)

MEETING ADJOURNED

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Bonnie Greene. The motion was seconded by Deborah Greene. The motion was unanimously approved by all committee members present. Edward Helton adjourned the meeting at 11:31AM. Next meeting will be February 18, 2026.