

CHICAGO REGIONAL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, September 16, 2014

Madden Mental Health Center

1200 S. 1st Ave., Hines, IL

HRA Chair Nicole Erickson opened the meeting of the Chicago Regional Human Rights Authority (HRA) at 5:10 p.m. The meeting was held at Madden Mental Health Center, Hines, IL.

Members Present: Ashley Casati and Nicole Erickson

Members Absent: Eric Mathiasen, David Ginter, Kamil Jaruga, Donna Claffy, and Beth Tucker.

Staff Present: Pat Betzen

Guests: Michael Shukis, prospective HRA member.

Nicole noted that a quorum was not present- votes for all measures will be obtained electronically. Nicole read the Confidentiality statement.

Approval of August 5, 2014 Meeting Minutes: Minutes were not approved and will be reviewed and voted on at the October 28, 2014 meeting of the HRA.

Communications: None

NEW BUSINESS

New Complaints:

#15-030-9003- Hines VA Hospital. The complaint alleges that the recipient was issued a criminal citation when he required security assistance during an emergency restriction of his rights. A release has been obtained. Ashley made a motion to accept the complaint for investigation and it was properly seconded and passed.

#15-030-9004- Envision Unlimited (Mock Center). The complaint alleges that a recipient did not receive adequate care and the guardian was not included in the care and decision making for the recipient. A release has been received. Ashley made a motion to accept the complaint for investigation and it was properly seconded and passed.

Ashley made a motion to go into closed session at 5:17 p.m. pursuant to Section 3955/21 of the Guardianship and Advocacy Act to discuss reports and responses and other matters which could not be discussed without revealing confidential information. The motion was properly seconded and carried.

The HRA returned to open session at 5:46 p.m. having taken no action in closed session. A summary of the closed session includes updates on open cases as well as responses to reports and case closures.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ratifications: None.

Reports of Findings: None.

Case Closures:

#14-030-9009- Magnolia. Ashley made a motion to close the case and make the report part of the public record. The motion was properly seconded and passed.

#14-030-9017- Hartgrove. Ashley made a motion to close the case and make the report part of the public record. The motion was properly seconded and passed.

#14-030-9022- Madden. Ashley made a motion to close the case and make the report part of the public record. The motion was properly seconded and passed.

Case Status Reports:

#14-030-9021 MacNeal. The HRA has investigated numerous complaints regarding MacNeal. The HRA discussed the plan to review all the complaints within the past five years and determine if there are recurrent issues which require additional attention. Pat has finished this report but due to mechanical problems was unable to distribute the report at this meeting. The report will be forwarded to all HRA members when electronic votes are requested. Also, the site visit has been scheduled for 10/08/14.

#14-030-9024 Lakeshore. The site visit has been scheduled for 9/24/14.

#14-030-9027 South Chicago Parents and Friends. The site visit has been scheduled for 9/23/14.

Announcements and Comments:

The next meeting of the HRA is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, October 28, 2014 at Madden Mental Health Center.

Adjournment: The HRA agreed to adjourn at 5:46 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kamil Jaruga