

**Egyptian Regional Human Rights Authority**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**January 28, 2016**

The regular meeting of the Human Rights Authority (HRA) was held at Pagliai's Pizza Meeting Room, 509 South Illinois Ave., Carbondale, IL. Chairperson Pam O'Connor called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and read the confidentiality statement. A quorum was present.

Members Present: Sue Barfield, Ginger McBride, Victor Metzger, Kay Phillips, Kathy Rambeau Pam O'Connor and Paul Jones.

Members Absent: Rebecca Lewey and Mary McMahan

Staff Present: Kim Conway

Guests: Michael Quinn, Director, Mulberry Center; Bryan Glidden, Jail Administrator, Fayette County Jail; Fred Chinn, Crawford County Jail; Kimberly Baer, Accreditation Compliance Coordinator, SIH (Southern Illinois Healthcare); Lynnette Torres, Quality Manager, Memorial Hospital Carbondale and Crisey Fenton, Patient Relations Manager, Memorial Hospital Carbondale.

Minutes: Sue Barfield made a motion to approve the November 17, 2015 meeting minutes. Paul Jones seconded and it carried.

Communications: Kim Conway discussed the mandatory Identity Protection Act training and obtained training certificates from board members who had already completed the training. She also informed the board that travel reimbursement was reduced from 57 cents to 54 cents per mile effective January 1, 2016. Kim Conway gave an overview of her telephone training with Gia Orr regarding the new education legislation, Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) that replaced No Child Left Behind.

Ratifications: 15-110-9011 Chester Mental Health. Closure was tabled at the November meeting to clarify what is considered off unit activities with Chester. Chester explained that active treatment/clinical therapy is conducted by licensed staff such as Nurses, Activity Therapists and Social Workers. Rehabilitation classes are conducted by educators/vocational rehabilitation staff which is why it is considered an off unit privilege. Telephone votes from Pam O'Connor, Rebecca Lewey and Victor Metzger were obtained for case closure once this information was received. Sue Barfield made a motion to ratify case closure, Paul Jones seconded and it carried.

New Complaints: None

Other New Business: None

Unfinished Business: To accommodate guests in attendance two closed sessions were held. Ginger McBride made a motion to enter into closed session at 5:04 p.m. pursuant to Section 21 of the Guardianship and Advocacy Act (20 ILCS 3955/21) and Section 120/2 (c) (4) of the Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 120/2); the motion was seconded by Sue Barfield and it carried. The following summary of items was discussed in the first closed session: Case closures for 15-110-9014 and 15-110-9015 and case progress for 16-110-9004. Ginger McBride made a motion to return to open session at 5:36 p.m. Once open meeting items had been discussed, closed session was re-entered at 6:43 p.m. upon motion made by Sue Barfield and seconded by Paul Jones. The

following summary of items was discussed in the second closed session: case progress was reviewed for cases #15-110-9019, 16-110-9002, 16-110-9005, 16-110-9006, 16-110-9007 and 16-110-9009. Draft reports were reviewed for cases #16-110-9001 and 16-110-9003. Case closure was considered for case #15-110-9012. Kathy Rambeau made a motion to return to open session at 7:18 p.m. having taken no action in closed session, Sue Barfield seconded and it carried.

The HRA discussed the following three cases first in closed session to accommodate the guests in attendance. The board individually met with the provider representatives present at the meeting to discuss confidential case information involving their respective cases.

**16-110-9004 Fayette County Jail** – Bryan Glidden and Fred Chinn entered the closed session. The board reviewed the case status with him and informed him that the site visits have all been completed and charts reviewed and that the case is ready for the report to be written. Bryan provided an update on another issue involving this recipient that Kim Conway and he had discussed regarding outstanding warrants. Bryan and Fred then left the meeting.

**15-110-9015 Mulberry Center** – Michael Quinn entered the closed session. Michael provided updated staff training reports that showed 85% completion for the staff training that the HRA had recommended in the report of findings. The board had no additional concerns regarding the response. Michael Quinn left the meeting following the discussion. Paul Jones made a motion to accept the response, close the case and make the report and response a part of the public record. Victor Metzger seconded and it carried.

**15-110-9014 Carbondale Memorial Hospital** – Kimberly Baer, Lynnette Torres and Crisey Fenton entered the closed session. They notified the board that they have increased their review meetings to weekly rather than monthly. The board had no additional concerns regarding the response. Ms. Baer, Ms. Torres and Ms. Fenton all left the meeting following the discussion. Sue Barfield made a motion to accept the response, close the case and make the report a part of the public record with the response remaining non-public per the hospital's request. Victor Metzger seconded and it carried.

### **Case Progress Reports:**

**15-110-9019 School for the Hearing Impaired** – The interviews with the remaining agencies involved in this student's care were all completed. The case is ready for report.

**16-110-9002 Chester Mental Health** – The draft report has been completed and is awaiting final review from HRA supervisors. It will be on the agenda at the March, 2016 meeting for draft report review.

**16-110-9005 Chester Mental Health** – The chart was reviewed and records have been received. This case is ready for a report.

**16-110-9006 Chester Mental Health** – The chart was reviewed. The TPR states that the recipient has to have 1 year of good behavior for transfer recommendation to occur, the recipient has several behavioral incidents and does not go more than approximately 4 months without incident. The investigation is complete and this case is ready for report.

**16-110-9007 Chester Mental Health** – The chart review was completed. The HRA has received Chester’s response as to what is considered off unit activities and that rehabilitation classes are considered a privilege and not active treatment. All information received will be reviewed to determine if this case is ready for a report or not. The case is still under investigation.

**16-110-9009 Union County Hospital** – Alleges 1) inadequate care and treatment, 2) improper restraint, 3) inappropriate admission to a psychiatric hospital and 4) breach of confidentiality. The site visit needs to be scheduled. Kay Phillips and Victor Metzger agreed to complete the site investigation with Kim Conway and it will be scheduled within the next couple of weeks. The case is still under investigation.

**Report of Findings:**

**16-110-9001 Chester Mental Health** – The board reviewed the draft report of findings and had no additions or changes. Paul Jones made a motion to approve the draft report as stated. Kathy Rambeau seconded and it carried.

**16-110-9003 Chester Mental Health** - The board reviewed the draft report of findings and had no additions or changes. Victor Metzger made a motion to approve the draft report as stated. Paul Jones seconded and it carried

**Case Closures:**

**15-110-9012 Delta Center, Inc.** – No response was required due to no substantiated findings. No response was received. Sue Barfield made a motion to close the case and make the report a part of the public record. Kathy Rambeau seconded and it carried.

**Other Unfinished Business:**

The next meeting is scheduled for 5:00 p.m. on March 24, 2016 at Shawnee Community College Extension, 5385 Industrial park Rd., Metropolis, Illinois.

Kathy Rambeau made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 p.m. Paul Jones seconded and it carried.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Ginger McBride, Secretary