

RECIPIENT RIGHTS COMMITTEE

Paul Palmer, Chair
Dale Copedge
Evan Goodman, Co-Chair
Lori Gorbis
Francisco Vaca
Al Platt
Maxine Thome
Tina Bertram



**RECIPIENT RIGHTS COMMITTEE
IN PERSON “HYBRID” MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, June 5, 2025
5:30 p.m.**

Committee Members Present In-Person:

Tina Bertram, Dale Copedge, Lori Gorbis, Evan Goodman, Al Platt, Maxine Thome

Committee Members Present Via Zoom:

Frank Vaca

Committee Members Absent:

Paul Palmer (Chair),

Other Board Members Present:

None

Staff Present In-Person:

Greg Fox, Elise Magen

Staff Present Via Zoom:

Ashley Bailey

Public Present:

Dwight Washington, Jacob Sewell

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Maxine Thome at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call:

Al Platt, Tina Bertram, Lori Gorbis, Dale Copedge, Evan Goodman, Maxine Thome, Frank Vaca

Approval of Meeting Minutes – March 6, 2025:

MOVED by Dale Copedge and SUPPORTED by Al Platt to approve the meeting minutes of March 6, 2025. MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Approval of Agenda:

MOVED by Dale Copedge and SUPPORTED by Al Platt to approve the agenda for June 5, 2025. MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Public Comment on Agenda Items:

No public in attendance

Selection of Recipient Rights Committee 2025-2026 Vice Chair:

Al Platt was nominated for Vice Chair and accepted. MOVED by Dale Copedge and SUPPORTED by Frank Vaca. MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Selection of Recipient Rights Committee Meeting Dates/Times:

Recipient Rights committee has agreed to continue with the Thursday at 5:30 pm option for meetings.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

Recipient Rights Quarterly Report: January 1, 2025 – March 31, 2025

Recipient Rights Administrative Assistant presented the Recipient Rights Quarterly Report for the period of January 1, 2025 – March 31, 2025. Mr. Fox and Ms. Bailey guided the committee through the detailed summary report of allegations and outcomes and answered questions regarding some of the allegations.

ACTION:

MOVED by Dale Copedge and SUPPORTED by Maxine Thome that the Recipient Rights Committee recommends that the Board of Directors of the Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton and Ingham Counties accept the Recipient Rights Quarterly Report for January 1, 2025 – March 31, 2025. Motion CARRIED unanimously.

Review of Policies and Procedures

The Michigan Mental Health Code requires that education and training in Recipient Rights policies and procedures is provided to the Recipient Rights Advisory Committee (RRAC). At the

June meeting, the RRAC reviewed the following policies and procedures for education and training purposes: 3.6.04 Communication and Visits. This agenda item is for informational purposes only.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Evan Goodman has accepted a position with CMHA-CEI and will be stepping down from the Recipient Rights Committee. His position will not be posted at this time.

Updates:

Ms. Magen spoke to the committee regarding the 2025 Recipient Rights Audit results. The agency is Substantially Compliant. There will be a plan of correction submitted the end of the month and part of the plan is to have the State come and train the committee on Appeals. Once Ms. Magen receives confirmation from the State the committee will be updated on when that training will take place.

Recipient Rights Conference is September 17th – 19th in Kalamazoo. Ms. McLaughlin will contact members that are eligible to attend.

Public Comment:

No public attending

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m. The next regularly scheduled Recipient Rights Committee meeting is September 4, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.

Minutes Submitted by:

Lynn McLaughlin

Clinical Services and Recipient Rights Administrative Assistant