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MINUTES  
RECIPIENT RIGHTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
**March 9, 2017**

**PRESENT:** Michelle Milligan, Jennifer Gorman, Basil Scott, Shaun Thompson, Norm DeLisle, Vendella Collins, John Sanford, Raymie Postema, Andy Silver

**PHONE:** Margaret Stooksberry, Darlene Logan, Elizabeth O'Dell

**ABSENT:** Michael McCue

Michelle calls meeting to Order – 1:06PM  
Approval of Agenda – Norm, Motion; Jennifer Second. Motion Carried  
Approval of Minutes – Vendella, Motion; Norm Second. Motion Carried

**New Business**

Nominations and election of chair and vice chair. Committee discusses designation of new committee chair. Norm motions for Shaun Thompson as new Chair person; Michelle Seconds and Motion is Carried. Darlene will remain as Vice Chair.

**Old Business**

- Letter to Nick Lyon will be sent via Michelle for approval to join next meeting.
- Listing of CMHs / LPUs will be emailed to Committee members. For organization that have not responded; Advisory Committee members will select locations to make follow up communications with and seek their support to provide the information requested.
- Norm will lead the request to have Bob Sheehan join the next meeting to discuss 298.

**Director's Report**

John updates Committee regarding Department Reorganization and budgeting. Budget was not available to join the meeting; John shared information from his meetings with budget staff. Two plans were submitted to Budget; one would add an FTE and the other would lose an FTE. Currently, ORR has 20 FTE's; Budget office has approved the plans for the reorganization and are awaiting approval of HR and Civil Service. This plan would add two new positions and elevate the level of one (support staff) position but overall ORR would lose one FTE. ORR would have 19 FTE's when the restructuring plans are approved. The request for student positions for the hospitals were denied due to budget constraints from the restructuring plans submitted for ORR. A request for a grant writing position was also dismissed due to lack of funding based upon the new restructure that has been submitted. Vendella states that having a grant writing position, doesn't mean that grants would be secured/awarded for ORR; 'there is no guarantee

of grant approval' and also stated that the Department has to match grant funds. Discussion ensues.

**Staff Reports**

Raymie provides Field Unit Reports. Raymie and Jim are reviewing Policies and would like to have a liaison designated from the Committee as the Committee is reviewing Policy languages, to report to them the findings of the Committee's review and recommendations. (Shaun will seek an RRAC liaison.)

Andy provided Training updates

**Additional Business:** Norm shares information on 298; stating the response of public for 298 was surprising. He will be speak with Bob Sheehan as they are presenting during upcoming meeting; and will seek Bob's availability to come to next meeting to share their presentation together with this Committee.

**Public Comment: none**

**Adjournment:** 2:25pm Basil Motion; Jennifer Seconds