AGENDA ITEM I - Adoption of Agenda

(Resolution #086-04)
Keller moved, A. Bailey supported approval of the agenda.
MOTION CARRIED

AGENDA ITEM II - Approval of Minutes

It was noted that A. Bailey’s and C. Bailey’s names should be differentiated in the official record.
(Resolution #087-04)
A. Bailey moved, Keller supported approval of the August 12, 2004 minutes.
MOTION CARRIED

AGENDA ITEM IV - Committee Reports

FINANCE COMMITTEE – T. Hammon, Chair

#1 - Proposed Contract with Rehmann Robson, CPA
(Resolution #088-04)
Hammon moved, Keller supported entering into a contract with Rehmann Robson, CPA.
MOTION CARRIED
#2 - Vouchers #1188 and SF/SC #1188 were reviewed by the Committee.  
(Resolution #089-04) 
Hammon moved, Keller supported approval of payments for Voucher #1188 in the amount of $6,141,954.38 and SF/SC #1188 in the amount of $40,322.72.  
MOTION CARRIED

#3 - Contracts – Executive Summary of contracts on file with official minutes.  
(Resolution #090-04) 
MOTION CARRIED

#4 - Proposed Budget for FY 2005 - Mr. Saddington inquired into the whereabouts of the line item for Board Administration.  Mr. DeLay stated that it would be created from the Master Budget and would be given to the Board when completed.  
(Resolution #091-04) 
Hennessy moved, Keller supported approval of the proposed budget for FY 2004/2005.  
MOTION CARRIED

PROGRAM & EVALUATION COMMITTEE – L. Keller, Chair

#1 - Access Report  
(Resolution #092-04) 
Keller moved, Scruggs supported acceptance of the Access Report.  
MOTION CARRIED

#2 - Strategic Goals for FY 2005 – Mr. C. Bailey asked how often updates would be provided to the Board as to the agency’s progress in meeting these goals.  Ms. Deeghan said that twice yearly updates would be provided and would be a more realistic assessment of actual progress than quarterly reports.  Mrs. Lee asked why Crisis
Stabilization had been separated from the Mobile Crisis Unit. Mr. Russell stated that it was done as a back-up plan in the event New Passages decided not to continue with this program.

(Resolution #093-04)
Keller moved, Saddington supported approval of the FY 2004/2005 Strategic Goals.
MOTION CARRIED.

Board members were reminded that the October 14, 2004 Program & Evaluation Committee meeting would begin at 3:30 p.m. due to attendance of representatives from MTA.

CORPORATE COMPLIANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE – B. Hennessy, Vice Chair

Counsel for the Corporate Compliance Committee has recommended that the original policy wording is accurate and should remain. The policy will go back to the Board for approval.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – B. Hennessy, Vice Chair

#1 - Legal Counsel for the Board
(Resolution #094-04)
Hennessy moved, Keller supported approval of the recommendation that the Board not hire legal counsel to regularly attend Board and Committee meetings.
Mr. C. Bailey noted that we retain legal counsel now but they do not attend Board and/or Committee meetings on a regular basis.
MOTION CARRIED.

#2 - Pledge of Allegiance – Mr. A. Bailey noted that other board meetings he attends begin with the Pledge of Allegiance and he was disappointed that the item had not been approved in Executive Committee. Mr. C. Bailey, who stated he is a veteran, said that he believed it was important for children to learn to say the Pledge to increase their understanding of democracy, but no official meetings he attends begin with the Pledge. Mrs. Lee stated that the Pledge is said at school board meetings.

(Resolution #095-04)
A. Bailey moved, Lee supported that the CMH Board being each meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. A. Bailey requested a roll call vote and made a point of order that a “no” vote meant the Pledge would be said at meetings, and a “yes” vote meant it would not.
Nayes: A. Bailey, Lee
Yees: C. Bailey, Cole, Keller, Saddington, Scruggs, Hammon, Hennessy
MOTION DEFEATED

#3 - Roll Call at Beginning of Meetings – A discussion took place about the pros and cons
of having either a member roll call or utilizing name plates or name tags for members at Board meetings.

*(Resolution #096-04)*

Scruggs moved, Keller supported using name plates instead of a roll call beginning with the October 2004 Board meeting.

MOTION CARRIED.

#4 - Other Business Agenda Item – Lengthy discussion ensued about this matter. Mr. A. Bailey said he objected to having to ask the Board Chair or Mr. Russell to put an item on the agenda. Mr. Russell replied that he does not need to be called ahead to add an agenda item. Ms. Scruggs said the recommendation to not “re-discuss” specific items was not an attempt to censor members but rather a way to maintain order. Ms. Scruggs noted that all were welcome to attend Committee meetings, including the public.

*(Resolution #097-04)*

A. Bailey moved, Scruggs supported adding Other Business to the Full Board Agenda.

MOTION CARRIED.

CONSUMER COUNCIL – Pete Saddington, Board Liaison

Mr. Saddington reviewed the minutes of the July 19, 2004 Consumer Council meeting. Regarding item #6, Mrs. McNeil indicated that 20 consumers and/or staff had been registered to vote during the registration drive. The entries in the Art Contest described in item #7 are currently on display in the cafeteria.

Mrs. Cole, acting Board Liaison, reviewed the minutes of the September 20, 2004 Consumer Council meeting. In response to a question from Mr. Saddington about item #7, Ms. Deeghan explained that the problem of there being no Crisis Line response to two late-night consumer TTY calls recently was caused by a malfunction of the TTY equipment at ProtoCall. Mrs. McNeil indicated that she received email verification today that this equipment has been repaired. Mrs. Cole noted that there were numerous questions and complaints raised by consumers about ongoing problems with MTA. An MTA representative was at today’s Coffee and Conversation and has been invited to attend the November 15th Consumer Council meeting.

George Valdick was nominated for membership in Consumer Council.

*(Resolution #098-04)*

Cole moved, Keller supported approval of Mr. Valdick’s membership on Consumer Council.

MOTION CARRIED.

*(Resolution #099-04)*


MOTION CARRIED.

AGENDA ITEM V – Chair Report
AGENDA ITEM VI – Executive Director Report

Increase for Teamsters – Significant, extensive debate occurred on this issue. Mr. Russell explained the fact-finder’s role in the 2-year Teamsters negotiations but indicated that a different offer had been proposed by management. Mr. A. Bailey expressed disapproval of management’s apparent disregard of the fact-finder’s recommendations. Ms. Mason clarified that management had proposed a one-time payment of $625 because AFSCME had made health care cost concessions while Teamsters did not, and it would therefore be unfair to AFSCME if Teamsters received the same offer. Mr. C. Bailey expressed concern that implementing the fact-finder’s recommendations might make negotiations with AFSCME considerably more difficult in the future.

*(Resolution #100-04)*
Saddington moved, C. Bailey supported management’s recommendation of a one-time payment of $625.00 to Teamsters bargaining unit employees.
Nayes: A. Bailey, Hennessy, Keller, Lee
Yeas: C. Bailey, Cole, Hammon, Saddington
G. Scruggs – absent during vote
MOTION DEFEATED

Following further lengthy discussion,

*(Resolution #101-04)*
C. Bailey moved, Keller supported the fact-finder’s recommendation of $625/$625 payments to Teamsters
Nayes: C. Bailey, Saddington, Scruggs, Hammon, Cole
Yeas: A. Bailey, Keller, Hennessy, Lee
MOTION DEFEATED

Additional discussion ensued. Mrs. Keller suggested that as a compromise, an amount of $900, to be divided however management deemed appropriate – be offered.

*(Resolution #102-04)*
Keller moved, C. Bailey supported a compromise offer of $900 to Teamsters.
Nayes: A. Bailey, Saddington, Hennessy, Lee
Yeas: C. Bailey, Cole, Keller, Scruggs, Hammon
MOTION CARRIED.

Information Only – Mr. Russell pointed out the news release regarding the perfect DCH audit recently received by the Office of Recipient Rights. Also included for review, but not discussed, were EAC meeting minutes; Friday Faxes from MACMHB; NAMI Common Bond, NCCBH, Detroit Free Press, and Open Minds articles; an Employee Wellness Plan example; and the latest edition of Quality Matters.
AGENDA ITEM VII – Other

Ms. Scruggs requested an updated report regarding current and planned changes to the Crisis Stabilization program and staffing pattern. Mr. Russell will provide that update at the next Board meeting.

Mr. A. Bailey asked if we had any contracts with the City of Flint. Mr. Russell replied that while the Agency technically has no contracts, the City of Flint does serve as a conduit in several instances and had to sign off on the money that was passed through.

Mr. Saddington requested that an item about the DCH stance on privatizing Recipient Rights functions be added to the agenda of the next Recipient Rights Committee meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.