

**Chippewa DHHS Board
Meeting Minutes
5-7-2026**

Call to order: 10:04 a.m.

Roll Call:

Present: Christy Curtis, Tom Boger, Terri Bush, Director Rose, Justin Jarvi, Leann Thompson

Approval of Agenda:

Tom Boger motioned to approve the agenda, supported by Terri Bush. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of April 2026

Tom Boger motioned to approve the minutes from April, supported by Terri Bush. Motion carried.

Presentation:

None

Public Comments:

None

Contracts:

None

Old Business

MCSSA QUESTIONS UPDATE:

Director Rose has not received any answers regarding questions the board had for MCSSA. Director Rose is hoping to be able to talk with Luther Lovell on Friday. Noticed that the agenda for State Leadership Conference does not include board spending.

Director Rose stated due to not getting clarification, recommendation is to continue with requesting/approving what board historically has been, with the exception of those known are not allowed.

Board also discussed the possibility of being able to have agencies request gift cards through MDHHS for clients, using the same process as implemented in Mackinac. Leann Thompson will forward the business process and form that is currently being used by Mackinac agencies for board to review.

Will ask Jennifer Dunton about different agencies to reach out to in Chippewa.

County Budget

April Budget was reviewed

Tom Boger motioned to approve the reimbursement to EUPTA for 4 bus tickets = \$24.00, invoice number 28234, Terri Bush supported. Motion carried.

Board Comments.

None

Director Update:

The following was discussed:

- Public Service Recognition Week – May 4 – May 8
 - Management has games, prizes, and luncheons planned for all three counties.
- Staffing:
 - NAOW Logan McKerchie started last Monday.
 - Vacancies:
 - 2 Foster Care, 2 CPS all ending in May.
 - LTA GOA Luce – preferred candidate was submitted.
 - New Adult Protective Services worker, Jessica Mills.
 - FTS openings.
- Changes with PMD for Assistance Payments.
- Medicaid will start with redeterminations every 6 months, in lieu annually.
- Stats for Assistance Payments are not accurate with the reports we were using, still waiting to get access to BRIMM.
- Stats for Child Welfare discussed.
- Adult Protective Services and NAOW stats are not available.
- Director Rose will be out of the office for 2 weeks, May 11 – May 18, Jamie Lemay will cover from May 10 – 17th, Lisa Davis will cover May 18th – 22nd.

Next meeting scheduled:

June 3, 2026, 10:00 a.m.

<u>Christy M. Curtis</u>	<u>6/4/26</u>
Christy Curtis, Chairperson – Chippewa County	Date
<u>Leann Thompson</u>	<u>6.9.26</u>
Prepared by: Leann Thompson	Date