
**CHAMPAIGN COUNTY
MENTAL HEALTH BOARD
REGULAR MEETING**

Minutes—May 28, 2025

*This meeting was held
at the Brookens Administrative Center, Urbana, IL and remotely.*

5:45 p.m.

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| MEMBERS PRESENT: | Joe Omo-Osagie, Tony Nichols, Molly McLay, Chris Miner, Elaine Palencia, Kyle Patterson, Emily Rodriguez, Jane Sprandel, Jon Paul Youakim |
| STAFF PRESENT: | Kim Bowdry, Lynn Canfield, Shandra Summerville, Stephanie Howard-Gallo, Chris Wilson |
| OTHERS PRESENT: | Maria Jimenez, Immigrant Services of C-U; Brenda Eakins, GROW; Alayia Forsyth, Crisis Nursery |

CALL TO ORDER:

CCMHB President McLay called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Roll call was taken, and a quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The agenda was approved.

CCDDB and CCMHB SCHEDULES:

Updated copies of CCDDB and CCMHB meeting schedules and CCMHB allocation timeline were included in the packet. There was discussion regarding the possibility of changing the start time of future CCMHB meetings. It was decided the start time would remain at 5:45 p.m.

ACRONYMS and GLOSSARY:

A list of commonly used acronyms was included for information.

CITIZEN INPUT / PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

None.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:

CCMHB President Molly McLay commented that this meeting would be memorable because funds were being allocated to help people in Champaign County. She thanked the agencies and the CCMHB staff for their work.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Election of Officers:

The Board by-laws were included for information only. Per the Illinois Community Mental Health Act, the board holds annual election of officers whose terms will begin July 1. Mr. Miner nominated Molly McLay for President and Jane Sprandel for Vice-President/Secretary. There were no other nominations.

MOTION: Mr. Miner moved to elect Ms. Molly McLay as CCMHB President and Ms. Jane Sprandel for Vice-President/Secretary for the coming year beginning July 1, 2025. Dr. Youakim seconded the motion. All members voted aye and the motion passed.

CCMHB 2024 Annual Report:

A decision memorandum requested approval of the 2024 CCMHB Annual Report.

MOTION: Ms. Rodriguez moved to accept the 2024 CCMHB Annual Report as presented. Ms. Palencia seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Deferred Special Request:

For the Board's consideration, a decision memorandum presented an update on agency PY24 audits, with an action deferred on April 30 now requested. Immigrant Services of CU shared their completed audit on May 22, 2025. Maria Jimenez from Immigrant Services of CU was present to answer questions from the board.

MOTION: Ms. McLay moved to consider the Immigrant Services of CU PY2026 funding request. Ms. Rodriguez seconded. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Review of PY2026 Funding Request:

With the PY2024 audit shared and issues being addressed, and pending the Board's decision regarding consideration, a PY26 funding request from Immigrant Services of CU was included in the packet. Board members discussed the application and Maria Jimenez from the agency answered Board questions.

PY2026 Funding Allocations

A decision memorandum requesting approval of PY26 allocations was posted as addendum to the packet. The memorandum presented staff suggestions related to funding for the Program Year (PY) 2026 (July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.) Decision authority rests with the CCMHB and their sole discretion concerning appropriate use of available dollars based on assessment of community needs, best value, alignment with decision support criteria, pricing, affordability, and distribution across categories of need and service intensity.

MOTION: Ms. Sprandel moved to authorize the Executive Director to conduct contract negotiations as specified in the memorandum. Chris Miner seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

MOTION: Ms. McLay moved to authorize the Executive Director to implement contract maximum reductions as described in this memorandum. Elaine Palencia seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

MOTION: Ms. Sprandel moved to include in all contracts the provision referencing specific exceptions to Funding Requirements and Guidelines, as described in the memorandum. Chris Miner seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

MOTION: Ms. Sprandel moved to include in all contracts the requirement to share documentation of the onset of work on the audit, review, or compilation, as described in the memorandum. Ms. McLay seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

MOTION: Ms. Sprandel moved to approve CCMHB funding of \$76,350 per year for a two-year term, for CCRPC – Community Services – Youth Assessment Center (Companion Proposal), subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCMHB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Mr. Miner seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

MOTION: Ms. McLay moved to approve CCMHB funding of \$63,911 per year for a two-year term, for Champaign County Children's Advocacy Center – Children's Advocacy Center, subject to the caveats as presented in

the memorandum, and to authorize the CCMHB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Dr.Youakim seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

MOTION: Ms. Sprandel moved to approve CCMHB funding of \$100,000 per year for a two-year term, for Champaign County Christian Health Center – CCCHC Community Mental Health Program, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCMHB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Mr. Nichols seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

MOTION: Ms. Palencia moved to approve CCMHB funding of \$97,139 per year for a two-year term for Champaign County Health Care Consumers – Disability Application Services, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCMHB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Ms. Sprandel seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

MOTION: Ms. Sprandel moved to approve CCMHB funding of \$103,284 per year for a two-year term for Champaign County Health Care Consumers – Justice Involved CHW Services and Benefits, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCMHB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Ms. McLay seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

MOTION: Ms. Sprandel moved to approve CCMHB funding of \$70,667 per year for a two-year term for Community Service Center of Northern Champaign County – Resource Connection, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCMHB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Mr. Miner seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

MOTION: Ms. Palencia moved to approve CCMHB funding of \$90,000 per year for a two-year term for Crisis Nursery – Beyond Blue – Champaign County, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCMHB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Mr. Miner seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

MOTION: Ms. Sprandel moved to approve CCMHB funding of \$702,000 per year for a two-year term, for DSC – Family Development, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCMHB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Elaine Palencia seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

MOTION: Mr. Miner moved to approve CCMHB funding of \$75,441 per year for a two-year term for East Central Illinois Refugee Mutual Assistance Center (The Refugee Center) – Family Support & Strengthening, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCMHB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Dr. Youakim seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

MOTION: Dr. Youakim moved to approve CCMHB funding of \$142,322 per year for a two-year term for Family Service of Champaign County- Counseling, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCMHB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Mr. Miner seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

MOTION: Ms. McLay moved to approve CCMHB funding of \$38,191 per year for a two-year term for Family Service of Champaign County – Self-Help Center, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCMHB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Ms. Sprandel seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

MOTION: Ms. Sprandel moved to approve CCMHB funding of \$214,360 per year for a two-year term for Family Service of Champaign County – Senior Counseling and Advocacy, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCMHB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Mr. Miner seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

MOTION: Ms. McLay moved to approve the use of CCMHB funding for Family Service of Champaign County – Senior Counseling and Advocacy as match for East Central Illinois Area on Aging Senior Information Services contract. Elaine Palencia seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

MOTION: Ms. McLay moved to approve CCMHB funding of \$360,000 per year for a two-year term for Promise Healthcare-Mental Health Services, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCMHB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Jane Sprandel seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

MOTION: Motion to approve CCMHB funding of \$125,000 per year for a two-year term for Promise Healthcare – PHC Wellness, subject to the caveats as presented in this memorandum, and to authorize the CCMHB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement: Jane Sprandel made the motion. Chris Miner seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

MOTION: Mr. Miner moved to approve CCMHB funding of \$196,205 per year for a two-year term for Rape Advocacy, Counseling, & Education Services -Sexual Trauma Therapy Services, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCMHB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Ms. McLay seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

MOTION: Ms. Sprandel moved to approve CCMHB funding of \$108,115 per year for a two-year term for Rape Advocacy, Counseling, & Education Services -Sexual Violence Prevention Education, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCMHB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Elaine Palencia seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

MOTION: Ms. McLay moved to approve CCMHB funding of \$183,000 per year for a two-year term for WIN Recovery – Community Support ReEntry Houses, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCMHB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Jane Sprandel seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

MOTION: Ms. McLay moved to deny CCMHB funding for WIN Recovery – Win Resilience Resource Center. Tony Nichols seconded. There was lengthy Board discussion. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

MOTION: Ms. Rodriguez moved to approve CCMHB funding of \$200,256 per year for a two year term for Immigrant Services of Champaign-Urbana – Immigrant Mental Health Program, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCMHB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Chris Miner seconded. After some discussion, a roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed

OLD BUSINESS:

Community Behavioral Health Needs Assessment Activities:

The April presentation of assessed health priorities for Champaign County residents was included in the packet. Board members discussed the document.

disAbility Resource Expo Update:

A brief update was provided by Jane Sprandel. The event is scheduled for October 18, 2025 at Marketplace Mall in Champaign.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND AGENCY INPUT:

None.

BOARD TO BOARD REPORTS:

None.

COUNTY BOARD INPUT:

Ms. Rodriguez reported that qualified agencies should apply for the Opiate Settlement funds received by Champaign County.

CCDDB INPUT:

None.

BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INPUT:

The next regular CCMHB will be in July at the Bennett Administrative Center in downtown Urbana.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully

Submitted by: Stephanie Howard-Gallo
CCMHB/CCDDB Operations and Compliance Coordinator

**Minutes are in draft form and subject to CCMHB approval.*