
**CHAMPAIGN COUNTY
MENTAL HEALTH BOARD
REGULAR MEETING**

Minutes—October 22, 2025

*This meeting was held
at the Scott M. Bennett Administrative Center, Urbana, IL
and with remote access.
5:45 p.m.*

MEMBERS PRESENT: Alejandro Gomez, Molly McLay, Tony Nichols, Kyle Patterson, Emily Rodriguez, Jon Paul Youakim

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Chris Miner, Elaine Palencia, Jane Sprandel

STAFF PRESENT: Kim Bowdry, Leon Bryson, Lynn Canfield, Shandra Summerville

OTHERS PRESENT: Jacinda Dariotis, UIUC; Zeus Dariotis, Resident; Marcellis Williams, Legacy Way Foundation; Brenda Eakins, GROW in Illinois; Cindy Crawford, Community Services Center of Northern Champaign County (CSCNCC); Kelli Martin, DSC; Jessie Heckenmueller, Champaign County Regional Planning Commission (CCRPC)

CALL TO ORDER:

CCMHB President McLay called the meeting to order at 5:49 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.

ACRONYMS and GLOSSARY:

A list of commonly used acronyms was included for information.

CITIZEN INPUT / PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

None.

OTHER BUSINESS - CLOSED SESSION:

MOTION: Chair McLay moved “to enter into Closed Session for Semi-Annual Closed Session Minutes Review pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (21). The following individuals will join this closed session: members of the Champaign County Mental Health Board and Executive Director Canfield.” Mr. Patterson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken at 5:56PM, and the motion passed.

Board members and Director Canfield moved to the Putman Conference Room for the closed session. At 6:05PM, Chair McLay called Open Session back to order, and a roll call was taken.

MOTION: Chair McLay moved “to accept the February 19, 2020, February 26, 2020, and July 21, 2021 closed session minutes as presented and to continue maintaining them as closed.” Ms. Rodriguez seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.

PRESIDENT’S COMMENTS:

CCMHB Chair Molly McLay reminded the group of next week’s joint study session.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S COMMENTS:

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from the September 17, 2025 CCMHB meeting and September 24, 2025 CCDDDB-CCMHB Joint Study Session were included in the board packet for review.

MOTION: Chair McLay moved to approve the minutes of the CCMHB’s meeting September 17, 2025 and CCDDDB-CCMHB September 24, 2025 joint study session. Ms. Rodriguez seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF VENDOR INVOICE LISTS:

The Vendor Invoice List was included in the packet.

MOTION: Chair McLay moved to accept the Vendor Invoice Lists as presented in the Board packet. Ms. Rodriguez seconded. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Revised 2026 Budget:

A memorandum requested approval of revisions to the previously approved CCMHB budget. Updated budget documents and the County presentations of CCDDDB, CCMHB, and IDDSI budgets were included as background.

MOTION: Chair McLay moved to approve the REVISED 2026 CCMHB Budget, with anticipated revenues and expenditures of \$7,410,462. Mr. Patterson seconded. A roll call vote was taken and all members voted aye. The motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Draft Revisions to CCMHB Funding Requirements:

For information, the packet included a draft revised “CCMHB Requirements and Guidelines for Allocation of Funds” and briefing memorandum on the proposed changes.

REPORTS:

Staff Reports

Staff reports were included in the packet.

Evaluation Capacity Building Project Update

An oral update was provided. See resources developed by the team at <https://www.familyresiliency.illinois.edu/resources/microlearning-videos>

Community Behavioral Health Needs Assessment Activities

Deferred.

disAbility Resource Expo Update

An oral update was provided. See also <https://disabilityresourceexpo.org>

PY2025 MHB Utilization Summaries

A report was included which summarized the utilization results of programs funded by the MHB during PY2025.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND AGENCY INPUT:

Mr. Williams introduced himself and his organization, the Legacy Way Foundation, which hopes to offer housing stabilization and related services in Champaign County.

Cindy Crawford, CSCNCC, reported a positive experience with the Expo and explained how the coming federal cuts will impact clients of the Center.

Zeus Dariotis shared positive comments about the Disability Resource Expo, including that many communities were represented, that he bought art pieces and admired more of them, and that there was lots of candy and animals to pet.

BOARD TO BOARD REPORTS:

None.

COUNTY BOARD INPUT:

Ms. Rodriguez indicated that the County Board has chosen to use some fund balance to avoid deeper reductions in 2026 budgets.

CCDDB INPUT:

The CCDDB met this morning and approved a revised 2026 Budget.

BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INPUT:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Respectfully

Submitted by: Lynn Canfield
CCMHB/CCDDB Executive Director

**Minutes approved by the CCMHB on November 19, 2025.*