

Champaign County
Board for Care and Treatment of Persons with a Developmental Disability

dba CHAMPAIGN COUNTY DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES BOARD

BY-LAWS

Adopted by the CCDDDB 1/4/05. Amended 12/5/06 and 7/23/14 and 6/23/2021.

I. PURPOSE AND FUNCTIONS:

- A. The Champaign County Developmental Disabilities Board (CCDDDB) is established under the Illinois Community Care for Persons With Developmental Disabilities Act (IL Compiled Statutes, Chapter 50, Sections 835/0.01 to 835/14 inclusive) in order to “provide facilities or services for the benefit of its residents who are intellectually disabled or under a developmental disability and who are not eligible to participate in any such program conducted under Article 14 of the School Code, or may contract therefore with any privately or publicly operated entity which provides facilities or services either in or out of such county.”
- B. In order to accomplish these purposes, the CCDDDB performs the following functions:
1. Planning for the intellectual and developmental disabilities services system to assure accomplishment of the CCDDDB goals.
 2. Allocation of local funds to assure the provision of a comprehensive system of community based intellectual and developmental disabilities services.
 3. Coordination of affiliated providers of services for individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities to assure an inter-related accessible system of care.
 4. Evaluation of the system of care to assure that services are provided as planned and that services are effective in meeting the needs and values of the community.
- C. The CCDDDB shall perform those duties and responsibilities as specified in Sections 835/0.01 to 835/14 inclusive of The Community Care for Persons with Developmental Disabilities Act.
- D. Nothing in these By-laws alters the authorities and obligations codified in state or federal law.

II. MEMBERSHIP:

- A. The membership of the CCDDDB shall include the maximum allowed by statute.
- B. The members of the CCDDDB shall be appointed by the Chairperson of the Champaign County Board, with the advice and consent of the Champaign County Board. The CCDDDB shall recommend nominees for membership to the Chairperson of the Champaign County Board. *(Note: this language is per statute. For Champaign County, the Chairperson, and therefore the appointing officer, is the Champaign County Executive.)*
- C. Members of the CCDDDB shall be residents of Champaign County and, as nearly as possible, be representative of interested groups of the community concerned with developmental disabilities as well as the general public. To the extent possible, members of the CCDDDB shall represent the geographic areas of the County. Members may be representative of local health departments, medical societies, local comprehensive health planning agencies, hospital boards and lay associations. No member of the CCDDDB may be a full-time or part-time employee of the Illinois Department of Human Services - Division of Developmental Disabilities (DHS/DDD) or a Board member or employee of any facility or service operating under contract to the CCDDDB. The term of office for each member shall be three (3) years. All terms shall be measured from the first day of July within the calendar year of appointment. Vacancies shall be filled for an expired term in the same manner as original appointments.
- D. Any member of the CCDDDB may be removed by the appointing officer for absenteeism, neglect of duty, misconduct or malfeasance in office, after being given a written statement of the charges and an opportunity to be heard thereon.

III. MEETINGS:

- A. The CCDDDB shall meet at a minimum, annually in July. The CCDDDB may meet each month as necessary at such time and location as the CCDDDB shall designate. Per the Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 120/1 et seq.), a change in the regular meeting dates is to be properly posted for the public a minimum of 10 days prior to the meeting.
- B. The CCDDDB may meet in Study Session during the intervals between monthly meetings to receive reports, discuss issues, and develop recommendations on matters brought to it by the Executive Director and the President.
- C. Special meetings may be called by the President or upon the written request by any member to conduct such business that cannot be delayed until a regular meeting date. The purpose of the meeting may be to address matters brought by the Executive Director or any member of the CCDDDB.
- D. The Executive Director shall prepare an agenda for all meetings of the CCDDDB and shall cause the notice of the meeting and the agenda to be sent to all members

at least five (5) days in advance of the meeting - except in the case of special/emergency meetings wherein forty-eight (48) hours notice shall suffice.

- E. Public notices and the conduct of all meetings shall be in conformance with the Illinois Open Meetings Act. Notice/agenda for each meeting shall be posted on the Champaign County website and in the physical location of the meeting and shall be continuously available for public review during the 48-hour period preceding the meeting.
- F. The presence of a majority of members shall constitute a quorum for any meeting of the CCDDDB. For a member to attend a meeting by other means than physical presence (e.g. by video or audio conference), a majority of members must be physically present at the properly-noticed meeting, and a majority of physically present members must agree to allow the electronic attendance. Such attendance may only be due to: personal illness or disability; employment purposes or CCDDDB business; or a family or other emergency. A member wishing to attend a meeting by other means must notify the Board before the meeting unless advance notice is impractical. Provisions for a quorum of members to attend the meeting by other means, due to a declared disaster, are set forth in the Illinois Open Meetings Act. These By-laws affirm the Developmental Disabilities Board's intent to exercise flexibilities as the law allows.

IV. OFFICERS:

- A. The officers of the CCDDDB shall be a President and a Secretary.
- B. Election of the officers shall take place at the July meeting of the CCDDDB.
- C. Officers shall be elected for one year, with term beginning upon election and ending no later than August 1 of the following year. No member shall hold the same office for more than three (3) consecutive years, except that officers may remain in their then current positions until their successors can be chosen.
- D. Duties of Officers:
 - 1. President:

Subject to the control and direction of the CCDDDB, the President shall maintain a current general overview of the affairs and business of the CCDDDB. The President shall have the privilege of voting in all actions by the CCDDDB.
 - 2. Secretary:

The Secretary shall act in place of the President in the latter's absence. The Secretary shall attest to the accuracy of the minutes of the CCDDDB meetings.

3. The President, Secretary, or a member as designated by the President shall have the authority to sign all legal documents approved by the CCDDDB.
4. The President may make, with the advice and consent of the CCDDDB, temporary appointments of interested citizens to assist the Board in fulfilling designated responsibilities or to perform certain functions or tasks.

V. STAFF:

The CCDDDB shall engage the services of an Executive Director who, subject to the control and direction of the Board, shall have general charge, oversight, and directions of the affairs and business of the CCDDDB and shall be its responsible managing head. The Executive Director shall have the responsibility for the employment and discharge of staff pursuant to the provisions of applicable personnel policies. The Executive Director shall have the authority to sign on behalf of the CCDDDB all necessary papers pursuant to CCDDDB action and shall have the authority with the endorsement of the President to make contracts and expenditures within the approved program and budget. The Executive Director or delegate shall attend all meetings of CCDDDB. The Executive Director shall also be liaison between the CCDDDB, staff, and affiliated agencies and implement policies regarding communications between them.

VI. FISCAL AND GRANT YEARS:

- A. The fiscal year of the CCDDDB shall be the same as that of the County of Champaign, i.e., January 1 through December 31.
- B. CCDDDB contracts for Intellectual and Developmental Disability programs and facilities shall be for the same fiscal year as the State of Illinois, i.e., July 1 through June 30.

VII. RULES OF ORDER:

Roberts' Rules of Order shall be followed in deliberations of the Board unless otherwise precluded by these By-laws.

VIII. CHANGE OF BY-LAWS:

Any or all of these By-laws may be altered, amended or repealed by a majority vote of the Board at any regular or special meeting, provided that written notice of the proposed action is given in the call to the meeting and that a quorum is present.