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**CHAMPAIGN COUNTY BOARD FOR CARE AND TREATMENT  
OF PERSONS WITH A DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY  
(CCDDB)  
BOARD MEETING**

*Minutes –April 21, 2009*

*Brookens Administrative Center  
1776 E. Washington St.  
Urbana, IL  
Meeting Room 1*

*8:00 a.m.*

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chair; Joyce Dill, Holly Jordan

**MEMBERS EXCUSED:** Michael Smith

**STAFF PRESENT:** Peter Tracy, Executive Director; Lynn Canfield, Nancy Crawford, Mark Driscoll, Stephanie Howard-Gallo

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Patty Walters, Vicki Tolf, Annette Becherer. Laura Bennett. Danielle Matthews, Felicia Gooler, Dale Morrissey, Developmental Services Center (DSC); Barb Bressner, George Roth, William Conlin, Consultants; Lynn Watson, Kathleen Liffick, Head Start; Connie Denmark, Glenna Tharp, Nancy McClellan-Hickey, Person's Assuming Control of Their Environment (PACE); Sally Mustered, Sheila Krein, Autism Society of Illinois; Diana Thompson, Ponni Nainar, CCAMR; Wendy Barker, Down Syndrome Network (DSN); Sherry Newton, A.G. Ryle Companies; Sheila Ferguson, Bruce Barnard, Shae Ellington, Mental Health Center (MHC); Barb Wysocki, Champaign County Board

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**CALL TO ORDER:**

Ms. Joyce Dill, Board President, called the meeting to order at 8:10 a.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

Roll call was taken and a quorum was present.

**ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:**

None.

**CITIZEN INPUT:**

None.

**CHAMPAIGN COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD (CCMHB) INPUT:**

The CCMHB will meet later today.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Minutes from the March 17, 2009 Board meeting were included in the packet.

**MOTION: Ms. Jordan moved to approve the minutes from the March 17, 2009 Board meeting. Ms. Dill seconded and the motion passed unanimously.**

**PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:**

None.

**AGENCY INFORMATION:**

None.

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION:**

**Approval of Claims:**

A copy of the claims report was included in the Board packet.

**MOTION: Ms. Jordan moved to accept the claims report as presented. Ms. Dill seconded and the motion passed unanimously.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**PY10 Funding Applications:**

An updated list of applicants was included in the Board packet.

**PY10 Program Summaries:**

Draft program summaries were included in the Board packet. Mr. Tracy briefly reviewed each agencies application requests. Agencies were given an opportunity to respond to their program summaries. Board members were given an opportunity to ask agency representatives questions regarding their applications.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

### **Disabilities Resource Expo:**

A report from Barb Bressner was included in the Board packet.

### **Anti-Stigma Alliance Event Update:**

Mr. Bill Conlin provided a verbal report on upcoming events.

### **State Budget Overview and Local Impact Update:**

A Briefing Memorandum was included in the Board packet. In September 2008, we co-sponsored a public hearing on the state budget, specifically related to budget cuts, slow payment and bad public policy. At that time, we predicted there would be a continuing struggle for mental health, substance abuse and developmental disabilities programs and services, and there were no optimistic signs on the state budget horizon.

Our new Governor's budget confirms our expectations. On the revenue side, the proposed budget calls for a fifty percent (50%) increase in the state income tax, \$837 Million in other taxes, \$2.2 Billion in short-term borrowing, and \$236 Million for state employee furloughs and changes in insurance.

Despite the projected increase in revenue, a huge budget deficit is still anticipated and the Governor suggests additional budget cuts will be made. Out of the total General Revenue Fund (GRF) budget of \$27,853.9 Billion from which cuts can be made, healthcare and education have been designated as "protected." The protected category accounts for \$20,583.9 Billion of the total GRF which leaves only \$7.270 Billion from which cuts can be made.

Included in the "unprotected" \$7,270 Billion is all of the Department of Human Services (\$4,117.7 Billion), Department of Children and Family Services (\$863.2 Million), Public Health (\$154 Million), Department of Corrections (\$1,399.9 Billion), State Police (\$212.6 Million), Department of Revenue (\$158.2 Million), and the rest is used for the General Assembly, judges, constitutional officers, and state parks.

Unfortunately for those of us who care about disabilities services (i.e., mental health, substance abuse, and developmental disabilities), these budgets are unprotected and therefore subject to cuts. For Champaign County, all service providers funded by the CCMHB and CCDDD are essentially on the state's chopping block. Even though this is not much of a surprise, it is still sobering to see it in print.

Due to Federal requirements pertaining to stimulus dollars, Illinois will be required to pay its bills on time. This will definitely help.

## **BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by: Stephanie Howard-Gallo

*\*Minutes were approved at the 5/19/09 CCDDDB meeting.*