CHAMPAIGN COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD and DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES BOARD JOINT STUDY SESSION

Minutes—September 24, 2025

This meeting was held at the Scott M. Bennett Administrative Center, Urbana, IL and remotely.

5:45 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Molly McLay, Chris Miner, Tony Nichols, Elaine Palencia, Kyle

Patterson, Vicki Niswander, Anne Robin, Jane Sprandel, Jon Paul

Youakim, Emily Rodriguez, Susan Fowler

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Alejandro Gomez, Kim Fisher, Neil Sharma

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Danielle, Theodora, Kelli Martin, Lindsey Anderson, Patty Walters

DSC; Eric Beasley, Marella McMurray, Jennifer Buoy, Tobie Wood, Becca Obuchowski, Hannah Sheets, Community Choices; Angela Yost, Jessie Heckenmueller, CCRPC; Chapin Rose, Illinois

State Senator; Sharon Costabile, Engage IL

CALL TO ORDER:

CCMHB President McLay called the meeting to order at 5:53 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Roll call was taken, and a quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The agenda was approved.

CITIZEN INPUT / PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

None.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:

Ms. Niswander welcomed the advocates. Ms. McLay welcomed everyone as well.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS:

There were no comments from Director Canfield.

Senator Chapin Rose made a few comments regarding his support for the disability community.

STUDY SESSION: "Resources for People with Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities"

Presenter bios and survey results were included in the packet. Survey results were shared by advocates from DSC and Community Choices.

Sharon Costabile from Engage Illinois spoke regarding the organization and shared personal stories. Board members were given an opportunity to ask questions following the presentation.

Results of the CCRPC Annual Preferences Survey were shared.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND AGENCY INPUT:

None.

BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INPUT:

The study session on October 29th will be a joint study session.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully

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^{*}Approved by the CCMHB and CCDDB on October 22, 2025.