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Alright, well I, I think it's. Oh good, I just need to hit record. Okay.

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Alright. And, Shandra was going to - was gonna call the - do the roll calls, but she might not be back since she's doing double duty today as our .

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AV Team. I'll do it. Okay Okay, that sounds good.

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So let's call meeting to order at what time does it 905? And we need the roll call first.

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Okay. And I will. I'll speak to the folks on the Zoom after that. Okay.

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Kim Fisher. Here. Alright, Susan Fowler. Here. Anne Robin.

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Yeah, Georgiana Schuster. Here and Vicki Niswander. Alright, so, folks on the zoom, can you still hear us?

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Yay! Oh, and we can hear you. So please sign into the chat indicating your agency affiliation if any and I'm gonna - Good -

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I'm gonna try to put the, put the agenda on the screen so people can see it but also dropping the whole packet into the chat so that that was part of the record.

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It's just on the Zoom screen. Okay. Well, that's partly there then. Okay, well, let's, shall we just go ahead with the approval of the agenda then?

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You can, yeah, because folks in the room, hopefully you've all signed in and hopefully everyone has an access to the packet.

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Everyone can see the agenda. All right. Okay. All right

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Did you wanna do roll call Lynn?

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I, I did.

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Okay, perfect. Sorry about that.

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Alright, cause I need a motion to approve the agenda. So moved. A second. All right, any discussion?

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Who moved? Any discussion? All those in favor say aye. Aye.

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Okay, moving on. Schedules are included. The, Do we have any citizen input or public participation?

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You can see the microphone on. It is. Do I need to move it closer? I'm not sure.

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I me try moving. I'm assuming we don't have any public participation, so we'll just move on

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From this point and Chairperson's comments. I appreciate all the work that the staff has been doing.

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I love reading the reports and all the things that everybody's involved in. I think I've mentioned that before.

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That it has been a pleasure being a part of this group, and I look forward to many great things.

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That's me. Okay, Lynn. So thank you for, so can you, am I coming through the, oh, okay, that is good.

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This is not, Turned up blazingly loud like I wanted. Okay. Just thank you for appreciating the packet. I got to do so -

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Like the most exciting thing ever happened this year and this. Thank you - everybody got their reports done on time and was such a high degree of accuracy that Kim Bowdry and I were able to do, actually, an analysis of some of it.

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It was a quick analysis. But it was the first time we've been able to do that. So like.

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Thank you guys, and I don't know you know where we'll go with it next, but I've just always felt that we have the benefit of data which are comparable from year to year.

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So why don't we take a look at it and see what we can find. So anyway, that was like, I don't know why, and see what we can find.

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So anyway, that was like, I don't know why, but that was like a dream coming true for me.

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I'm very proud of that part of the packet and also as I was talking with Mrs. Niswander before the meeting.

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I attended the Going Home Coalition meeting yesterday. I think some of you all were on it - maybe. It was a meeting with Equip for Equality.

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And it was just so great to be in a room like-minded people who don't need to be updated or educated on issues because they're all right there.

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It was great. And the topic, the theme that kept coming up was how are we going to get the department

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of justice to come to Illinois and, you know, finally do something about these institutions. So, you know, I don't know.

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That's, I think I need to raise hopeful topics every once in a while, and I would say that was like the most hopeful thing yesterday plus my dream come true report that's in the packet.

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So thank you and also, you know, much appreciation to Shandra Summerville and to the gentleman who just came down and fixed our technology problems.

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Okay. Okay. Alright, then the next thing on the agenda. Can you hear me now?

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Okay, very good. The next thing on the agenda is the approval of the meeting minutes from last month.

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We need a motion. I have a motion to approve. Second? Second. Yeah, thank you very much.

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And any discussion on the minutes?

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All those in favor? Aye. Any opposed? Okay, really good.

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Vendor invoice list.

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So we need a motion to approve the vendor invoice list. A second. Hi. Second.

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All right. Did you get both of those? All right. Any discussion on the invoice lists?

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All those in favor? Any opposed? I don't even think I have to ask that. Okay, staff reports.

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We're just zooming right through this, aren't we?

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Any comments or questions on the staff reports?

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Alright then, new business, the 3 year plan with draft... There is. Oh, you have, okay.

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So I think. So I would just had a question about, on page 32.

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About the, and then there are maybe like a opportunity for staff to

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Give feedback on it so I just wanted to know more about that yeah that's exciting. It was just a nice conversation.

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There's a lady who's been maintaining the expo website and then a much lesser known website for the Alliance for Inclusion and Respect that had, that was designed to be a store, and then we ran into problems with it...

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How do we accept payments and manage that? So it's really just, it's updated with interesting anti stigma related stuff.

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So she does that, doesn't change too much from year to year. She helps out a little more with the expo when they needed to do some of virtual events.

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So, you know, we've found her to be a really, really dedicated partner, like she really seems to understand

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About the centering of voices people with disabilities, and all its activities. And so I said, what would it cost if we added another website, it was just that you know, had a name that was easy to remember and locate and then just blocks that link you to sites that are not easy to locate but that are updated and contain the information that the self advocates told us they would like to be able to find.

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And some of their comments had also to do with wanting extra information. So that's a problem that's kind of outside of the website, but she said I would love to do that but only if they tell me what they want.

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Okay. So, you know, if we, if the self advocates wanted to move into that direction, I think that a project like that could be affordable

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Even through our just through our shared administrative budget, but certainly through the special initiatives fund. But I just love that her condition was

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It has to be direct. Okay. I have another question. Maybe it's under this category, but do we have any information about how 9 8 8 is rolling out in this county?

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The 9 8 8 had - it started with 2 different call centers on behalf of Champaign County. So the The call center run through what's now Rosecrance, which has been funded by the Mental Health Board for decades, was initially funded by the state to be the 988 call center.

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But that has shifted. So now it's all being done through PATH. And there's another PATH report, but it's not in this packet.

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It'll be in the November packet. We just got it yesterday. So you know they'll tell us about the last 3 months of statistics on 2 1 1 but 988 is part of that now for them.

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And when you say implementation of 988, wow, that is a big topic. I think the Feds thought they had this really great idea.

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And they're really patting themselves on the back in DC about it with very little regard to how it's

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Actually can be implemented in counties and especially in counties that were already doing it, you know, now you're layering on another system.

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So we have those additional problems here, the transfer of information. Is 9 8 8 ultimately going to take the place of 2 1 1

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. I mean, 2 1 1 was a project of the United Ways across the country to and one was never adopted in Cook County.

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And I maybe it would be, I think they have 3 1 1. So I think for, to layer 9 8 8 on top of like system like 2 1 1 that isn't functional across the country, as they had meant for it to be,

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But like I don't know if that is any worse than trying to roll out 9 8 8 across the country with no structure.

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So yeah, I think that's another... Evidence of our broken system. Yeah. The organization, there's a private organization behind the design of the "crisis now"

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Model. And I can't remember their name, but they are the They are. Federally they're in charge of the 9 8 8 system.

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Or at least the design and did so. They you know the relationship - this is a lot of weeds - or yes but like the relationship between that organization that's that was doing the national suicide lifeline before,

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And then 9 8 8 is the national suicide lifeline but expanded. That organization had a good relationship with federal agencies such as SAMHSA and there was a rule that if a state didn't have a 60% participation in that

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National suicide lifeline. They couldn't qualify for SAMHSA suicide prevention funding. SAMHSA is a federal agency

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That does it, you know, prevention education. So, and Illinois couldn't because Cook County wouldn't

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Do it so yeah so I mean because So we're in a moment, where all of these systems that are layered on top of each other need to be integrated for there really to be a nationwide mental health crisis line.

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And then on top of that, there have to be crisis services. It has to the crisis line. Somebody else and then you say what?

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Now there's nothing to do. So the next available appointment is...

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Well, so thank you for bringing it up. I know there's a lot more on the agenda, but I get pretty steamed when I hear that people in DC are proud of themselves for all they've done.

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Okay. Yeah, I mean, people have been working on crisis services for a long time without any help from federal agencies.

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So. Yeah. One more. So I just wanted to highlight it to like...

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There's still a need for volunteers for the disability expo, and I think Leon mentioned it's like kind of the middle of the day.

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And there's a link to in Kim's report, for the, I guess the signup genius.

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So, and we got - I'm a little behind on my email. So we got a, of that, yeah, so we can just get the link there. Okay.

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Thank you. Thank you for coming out. Is it 10 days?!

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Okay, thank you.

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Anything else? Just want to double check. Okay, moving on to the 3 year plan with draft objectives, which starts on page 46.

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Just a couple of notes for me on this, is that I really appreciate that all the language changes

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noting the importance of input from people with disabilities. That is throughout this and I think that that is

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A great addition. I wonder if we can find a way to get input from people who aren't quite as articulate as the people that we listened to a couple of months ago,

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The people who are nonverbal and have, you know, opinions as well. But there are, theirs are not included in what we do.

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So what I was thinking is, do we want to look at or get information from all the person centered plans that are being done?

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You know, what are people wanting? From that group. I don't know. I don't know if that's even possible, but.

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Well, what if we put an objective in for that and then we and we can create an objective for that, for just getting input

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From the person centered plans, and then maybe we won't make - meet our objective, but at least we'll be, Any other comments?

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I very much appreciate your your wanting to include everyone. I don't know if person centered plans are confidential.

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I do not know that. But they are, I would assume that they are. So getting input from them, the question is how do you get permission to get input?

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We as, have access to the, to that confidential information. We just have to ask the agencies for access to it, but you know there are releases of - authorizing that information to be shared.

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Publishing. Yeah. wouldn't put names on, but we could say a repeating theme is people want to be able to hang up with their friends more.

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I mean I don't know what we would discover because we haven't tried. Okay, but I think that's - Yes.

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And so I just had a question about maybe the objective should be to assess the feasibility of doing this

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Rather than immediately doing it. Not that I don't want you to do it, but make sure I don't know how many person centered plans there are.

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Vicki, are there hundreds or 50 or I have no? Well, almost 400. There should be a person centered plan for every person who is served in this county, I would think.

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And so if it's the ISC person centered plan, is that that what we're talking about?

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Anything that we fund. Okay, well I I would start with the feasibility because with the change in ISC, which we can get into later,

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I'm not sure that they're functional plans. Yeah, and maybe it's an exploration at this time and an opportunity to look at them and say, are we really considering what people really want and need?

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Okay. So, yeah, I think that's, that's a great suggestion, Okay.

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Alright, I'll cook something up. And then, you know, I send you emails all the time anyway, but I might send a draft

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Of an objective to revise until it sounds right.

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And, a second thing that came to mind when I was reading through this is the idea of evidence-based practices, and the question I have is do we ask for the evidence when we're... Okay, looking at a particular program.

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Does anybody submit research or studies or anything like that? I don't know. Give me an answer.

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That's one of the, that's a required question in the applications. And if an organization is not using an evidence based model but an innovative model or promising practice,

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There is room to site whatever research or whatever the foundation is for the model that they're proposing. So there are some evidence-based practices, but not many.

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But they, there is a requirement to list it and give us a link to the work. Alright, any other?

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Yeah. So I'm not sure if it fits under Goal 1 or Goal 9 or maybe a different goal.

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Goal 1 or goal 9 or maybe a different goal. Goal one is coordinated and accessible. And goal 9 is increase influence on policy at the local state and federal level.

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I was concerned as a parent of a young adult with, with the home based waiver

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Program to get a letter from the ISC, that's now in charge of services last week.

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And the letter basically said, we're the new game in town. Here's our phone number if you need anything.

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I haven't heard from an ISC rep since maybe January. And I thought that, you know, we were supposed to have contact maybe 3 or 4 times a year.

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So I know that there's a transition, and I know that transitions are difficult, but I think this one needs to be monitored because the abruptness of the letter and I brought a copy of it... was really surprising and not very reassuring.

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I also didn't - saw a letter that was sent by a parent saying, or by, sorry, by an individual with disabilities.

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Who's name was on the selection list for the home based waiver, and this individual had been told he'd probably have to wait until maybe early next year because of all the crises in Champaign County, and this individual responded through... Okay, it's manager that I also use

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By saying, why should I wait another? I've already waited 7 years. Why should I have to wait more months?

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And then the response from the agency to that letter was we're doing everything we can, it just takes time.

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I don't think that's a suitable response for coordination of services if someone's name has finally been called

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From the PUNS list and they're told that "well we'll get you when we can" - essentially - was the message.

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So I'm just concerned about what's happening in the state level that's - and influencing local services, and I'm not sure how we say that, state that as a goal, but monitoring

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Maybe the whole system of independent service coordination and how it's funded in the state. Might be worth tracking.

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Would you be comfortable if I put that under goal 9, which is where we, we have a lot of advocacy activities listed there, but this is certainly, yeah, this is really one of the day.

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And you know, it relates to even - our state association has a very hard time getting - having a real conversation with the leadership of DDD

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And you might remember a few months ago we sent them a very bossy letter. Yeah. And got no response.

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And, you know, we usually will invite them to come and talk to our committee or full membership. And then if they come.

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Its kind of a lecture. This is like - our house is on fire. Right, absolutely.

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So like you can actually like get some feedback instead of just telling us how great it is to have all these SODCs. I'm just guessing that it might have to do with lack of staff

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There because we have the same ISC representative working with our daughter, and there was no one in services at all.

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Next meeting that we got scheduled went right on time. So it's very, yeah. I mean, I, I'm not doubting you.

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Yeah, I'm gonna, I'm not doubting you. Yeah, I'm gonna just, to, to land or to use maybe a copy of the letter.

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It was concerning and I have not. I've just made 2 copies. I haven't, I haven't called to say, okay.

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I'd like to have a meeting. Because life is busy, but you know, things are okay right now.

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But, Anything else? Yeah.

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All right, let's move on to the CLC. And I understand Shandra is gonna get us a little bit of an overview there.

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Oh, she isn't. Oh, wait. I don't, I'm so sorry.

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I don't understand. She is gonna speak to us through the zoom. I wanna apologize first. Her document had a beautiful title.

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And in my attempt to use the, the, later version of Adobe Acrobat products,

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Her title got obliterated. So you can see starting on page 60 there was once a really nice title there.

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This is my fault. It was something - like she can tell us. I think she's ready to roll if you are.

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Okay.

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Yes, yeah, I am ready. Good morning, everyone. I trust you all can hear me well through the speakers that are in the room.

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So this, report that I have provided for you is a summary of all of the trainings that

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Funded agencies have conducted throughout the year. CCDDDB and CCMHB have a CLC requirement to complete their CLC plans.

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And then also required to have a training annually or some form of Cultural competency training. And then also, look at ways to diversify their staff and their board.

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And then also ensure that there are policies and procedures for individuals to have, that promote cultural competency.

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And then also required some kind of trauma-informed procedures as well. So those are like a part of the 6 requirements.

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What I've provided you this month is a summary of all of the trainings that each organization has documented and reported on.

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These are usually reported in the second and the fourth quarter. Second quarter, they go into a bit more detail about what exactly the trainings are.

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And then in the fourth quarter, it's kind of a compilation of all of their CLC activities that they have done.

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I chose to give you a highlight of some of the organization trainings that they have had. And if you see, that I've highlighted the areas that are funded by the DDB.

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So, Champaign County Regional Planning Commission and Head Start. They actually submit one CLC plan and a quarterly report agency wide because they are all under, but they do list their trainings that they have.

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Also Community Choices has also done some trainings as well. And one of the ones I wanted to highlight was Olmstead's promise.

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And this particular training is looking at how to integrate compliance with the department of - it was launched by the Department of Health and Human Services and the Office for Civil Rights

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Because this particular, training actually. That are along with Affordable Care Act and a lot of things that was for persons with disabilities who have police contact.

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And so this training that is surrounded by that. Community Choices actually did a training on how to in police violence on people that are African American or that identify as black living with disabilities in those communities.

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And then. Also, PACE also did some training that really was connected to how to successfully age with IDD and DD.

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And then also, DSC also looked at critical aspects of culturally competent communication.

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And then also they do cultural confidence training for their board members as well. So it's usually done organizational wide with, some organizations offer it just to staff only,

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And then there are some organizations that work with both boards and staff together and offer those trainings at the same time.

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I am not required to do all of the trainings. It is just required that they at least have

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An annual CLC training, and as you can see from this report, organizations - some did more.

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And then some did the minimum as well. I do know that, in our current climate,

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Diversity Equity and Inclusion is the terms that are oftentimes utilized. Cultural competency and diversity equity and inclusion is encompassing - we are sticking with cultural competence because usually cultural competence centers the family's culture and the individual, where DEI really does focus on an organizational -

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Like an organizational standard of how to incorporate DEI principles and values into an organization.

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None is not better than or worse than the other. It is just what is happening in our culture and in our climate

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In the community, but if we do not honor a family's culture, and the services are not responsive to who a family is or an individual is usually

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Then we're not honoring their values or we're not honoring what will work for them in order to thrive and to also receive the quality care.

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There is still a looming factor that I do not often talk about, but I'm gonna start talking about it more, which is

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Actual racism that is experienced by employees that is often perpetuated by leadership, by colleagues, by coworkers, and also by clients.

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I just received a report that did a sample size of about 5,000 people globally about the aggressions and the racism that is experienced and what organizations can do

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To change their practices and their approach so that they can begin implementing anti-racist practices and so that will probably be shared next month because that is a report that needs to be talked about and put a little bit more light on, of just the different ways that aggressions are done that increase stress levels in outcomes for,

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And negative outcomes for marginalized communities that do work in community based organizations and other organizations. So, if you have any questions, I'm open to answer them.

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I hope that this was helpful. If you need additional information or what want to know more things

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Usually that happens. Or I can dig a little deeper when I do site visits or desk reviews.

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And I'm happy to provide that information to you all as well.

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Any questions for Shandra? Hi, I have a question. This is Georgiana. My question is for an agency that's required to provide these trainings.

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Where are the trainings coming from? Are they all coming from Shandra? Or are they, are there lots of places offering training and are all these places approved

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for training?

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So, there are a lot of trainings that are online, and then organizations will be able to decide

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What what they need for them. No, I do not do all of the trainings to answer your questions.

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And they do not have to go through like an approval process for, from me because we do not get into the day to day of what the actual training content is.

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My hope is, though, that as a result of the training that they would do implementation of practices that would then begin to change.

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I did have to do a desk review with a particular organization. Because I was noticing that their CLC plan had remained the same for the past 5 years.

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Like no actions had changed. And so, but in their quarterly reporting, they were reporting

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All of these different trainings that they were taking. So I sat down with them and provided them with some support on how it can begin to mirror what they actually can begin to transform and change those actions.

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They did not know how to do it. And so that in my role, I'm able to provide that support to them.

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Georgiana, did that answer your question?

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Yes, I think so. Basically you said you don't do all the trainings and the trainings do not need to be approved.

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This by the DDB or the MHB. But are there a lot of I don't know, entities out there that claim to be trainers.

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So there are yes, there are a lot of entities. But a lot of them are not local.

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They are, oftentimes, virtual. So for example, there's some organizations that utilize

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The cultural competency training and, self-paced things that the state does because they may not have the capacity in their budget to bring in a trainer

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From outside in the community and as a part of my role I am available to provide training based on their cultural competence assessments and what they do in different areas

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Where they might need additional support.

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I would imagine that an agency that is new to us and is just starting to receive funding probably ask for a lot of help in this area.

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It just depends on, where they are in their journey. Just to let you know, a lot of there are a lot of people that come very well equipped on

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How to keep families' culture centered. They review the cultural competence standards and they are actually able to

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Really ensure that they are responsive to the people that they are serving and also ensuring that there's quality care provided to the families

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Of marginalized communities.

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Yeah, no more questions. Any other questions? Yeah. Not really a question, but so first thank you so much for walking us through his report.

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Shandra and it's really great. I, also thank you for your explanation about why we're sticking with cultural competence in the language

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Behind that as opposed to DEI work. You know, one focusing on family versus focusing on institutions.

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So I really appreciate the language you put behind that. Can you just go into a little bit more about the information we might receive next month about anti-racist policies and practices and kind of what...? I think I, I was listening, but I didn't process through all that information.

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Can you just review it again?

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Yes, so I'm gonna provide you all with a report that was provided. It was a survey of findings, and so next month I'm gonna just provide you that report

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That outlines and shows how racism in the workplace is impacting workplaces. It's gonna be a report that I provide.

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We have not done that kind of report or study in our organizations. Or that kind of assessment.

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If the board is ready to start taking that on, I'm happy to begin that process, but it has not been done before, and so I wanted to show you all just Where is it that we're getting down to what is the root of it, which a lot of it is racism.

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And what is actually happening, what are people experiencing, how is it actually played out? And this report does a really extensive and good job

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Of this showing the survey that they did. Got examples but also it's a really broad sample size.

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That looks at all different backgrounds and different races in different countries.

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It's not just in the United States. It's looking at it globally, which I think is a really good perspective because oftentimes people just believe that racism only exists in the United States, and that is not true.

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Thank you so much. Other questions? Thank you, Shandra. Okay, moving on to utilization summaries and demographic data.

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You see the charts in your packet and if there are any questions on that or comments,

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Now would be the time.

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Anything? I just thought it was very informative because being new to the board, it was good to read about

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What has happened, and so I appreciate the report.

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Yes, I, I totally agree with that. On page 76. With the pie charts, which I also appreciate because you can just look at a pie chart,

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You don't have to read anything. I just had a question about the - the reports on page 76.

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Because one of them, this is agencies, one of them shows CCDDDB funded program Client Age data, which shows that 79% of the clients are between the ages of 19 and 59 which you know, okay, we're serving adults.

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Not children so much and not elders so much. And then right below that is the CCMHB

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IDD funded program, which is all children. Lynn, can you explain what those are related to please?

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Yes. No, I just have to, this is an opportunity to practice being brief. The mental health board has a commitment

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To developmental disability services because that's in their statute, and when the DD board was founded many years after the mental health board,

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There there became an intergovernmental agreement to set a number to what the mental health board's, the obligation should be.

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And it is it's based on levy, the levy at the time plus growth each year, and or decrease which had

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Hasn't happened yet. So right now it ends up being it's each year it's about 16 or 17% of what the mental health board allocates

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To agencies in total. And they have, maybe a few years ago, because there were some board members on the mental health board at the time who are in the room now as DD board members who had a lot of knowledge about early childhood,

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The mental health and developmental issues of early childhood, so the mental health board chose to focus its developmental disabilities investments into that population, and we've been lucky so far that it's roughly enough

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Money to cover it, but we could - the mental health board could take on other DD contracts. So I'm sort of expecting that next year,

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PY25, we might see a program for adults funded by the mental health board, but Kim collects all the same data regardless of which board funds it.

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It just happens to be - it's landing with the mental health board because of other programs that they fund that have a mental health component,

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And that, you know, just happened to be the expertise of many board members still, even now that the 2 of you are

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Over here, there is still, you know, I think it's because of where we live. So, So there is a funny thing about that data which you didn't ask, which I thought you might ask - why are there any adults in that cohort?

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And that is, there are some supportive services for the parents. So, yeah, the 0% that I think that's maybe this.

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Like the N is really large. So I think that's maybe like the N is really large. So I think that's actually like 20 people that coming to 0% that's actually like 20 people that coming to 0%, but they are parents who needed support

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From this group. So that's kind of cool. All right.

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No, I just have another comment. I, this is, yeah, under the category of positivity, I know we've had concern about whether people outside of Champaign are being served and it looks like,

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From these pie charts, it looks like they are. So I just want to point that out. What?

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Dash U - okay - are getting served. And the pie charts make that pretty easy to see.

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I don't know in terms of the racial, cultural background if we're representative of what our population is because I don't really know exactly what the population numbers are.

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It looks pretty good, but I'm not sure. So, but I love those pie charts.

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They're good. So in the verbal descriptions. So the Residency data are interesting.

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There's a tiny shift and that I think like... I appreciate you mentioning that you know rural residents are being served, but there's a tiny shift that's really important under this, and that is more people in Rantoul which is not rural,

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But there has been for years and years really a challenge to reach residents of northern Champaign County, and it looks like the programs are doing it.

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There's there's a shift in DDB funded and mental health board funded toward more services in Rantoul.

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So I wanted to. You're talking about positive comments. I thought that one was really worth. I don't think I made a big deal about it in here, but I should have done, and then with the distribution of racial and ethnic data, I should have done.

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And then with the distribution of racial and ethnic data, I sometimes I don't want to compare with general. These services are, we should be focused on people who don't have any other insurance.

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First. And so that could be. Not that. Issue might not be equally distributed across ethnic and racial categories.

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That You know that's what this this fund is sort of there to pick up the gaps not not necessarily - should and could also be used to do really great things the state's not willing to do.

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But, but it does, you know, attempt to reach people who don't have any other sources of payment.

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So, so I think we could do a general population comparison. I think we would find that are the at least Black/African American is higher than the general population.

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20% in one of these, 25% in another, and that's much higher than general population,

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But we might find that is good when we bring in other sources of insurance, that it's much more level.

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Okay, that makes sense. Other questions or comments?

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Alright then, let's go on to Old Business, evaluation capacity building project, and we are, are we getting an update from the family resiliency center?

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Yeah, hi, I'm Dana, here with the update from the group. Yeah, so what we've done is between October 6 and the sixteenth, we launched the pre-group level assessment survey, and the point of that was to help guide the needs of agency staff.

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When we have an in-person group level assessment, and in that assessment, you know, we'll discuss some of these

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Important topics that were brought up by the people who completed the pre-GLA survey.

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And then that'll allow us to break out in the smaller groups, come up with themes, and then also develop actionable items, you know, they're important to agency staff.

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So it's a big collaborative effort that'll be in person. And so far we've had 49 people complete the survey.

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We distributed it to 49 people and then 22 people completed this survey and then it was represented by a broad group of agencies which was really encouraging.

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There's some directors, coordinators, therapists, and so on who did it as well.

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There seemed to be a lot of enthusiasm there. People really took the time to complete the survey.

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And it looks like it'll be like around the first week of November that we will have this in-person group level assessment.

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And then we're just waiting for a few people to complete the survey before we solidify that date.

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So that is our update there, but we're really excited to start working with folks and collaborating to see how best we can work together to meet agency needs.

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Any questions? Or comments.

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Alright, well thank you for the update.

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Thank you.

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Next thing on old business is the expo update. We talked a little bit about that. Is there anything beyond the packet information

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That we need to know, volunteer if possible. Is that the message?

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Yeah, I think so. I think that it's become more difficult to do this over the years for a lot of reasons.

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One of the reasons is positive, and that's because others have started doing resource fairs, and good for them.

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We need more resources, but it's kind of the manpower and the sponsorship resources are lower than we've ever seen.

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So any volunteer help will be much appreciated. I thought it was really cool that they have this many exhibitors so far and they added a couple

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They had 2 after they sent this map in for us to publish. It's a full house that's here.

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I mean, that's really great. And most of the exhibitors are non-profits which pay a very much lower fee.

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So that's part of it, but in the spirit of what this thing is for okay. I'm much more concerned about the

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The people power than I am about sponsorships. So. Alright, I think we're at the point in the agenda where we're looking for our success stories and other agency information.

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Anybody have anything to share?

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Thank you.

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I know, Yeah, okay, there we go. I'm Becca Obuchowski with Community Choices.

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It, I just to sort of follow up on the, the comments about the expo. We are still looking for volunteers.

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We are actually doing pretty well. We do, there, we need people especially to be door greeters throughout the day.

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That was one of the roles that didn't get a lot of sign-ups. It's always interesting to see kind of which, which places kind of fill up really fast and which places we still, you know, need a few more people.

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So I'm happy to share that link with all of you to the sign up afterward or maybe in your, you know, the sign up afterward or maybe in your, you know, minutes and things from before.

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But that is that is coming together. Worst case scenario, it will be fine. And probably all be good, but we do need a few more folks

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For sure. And then just a couple, just kind of quick success stories from us. We had 2 really sort of great employment stories I wanted to share.

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And one of them was about a young woman that we have worked with to find a job periodically or consistently for 2 years, 3 maybe.

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And she was really interested in being a baker. That was like her dream job and she's she's very good at it.

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She didn't have any experience in a you know in a professional kitchen which can be a barrier to working in in a professional kitchen, which can be a barrier to working in a professional kitchen, of course.

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We were able to help her find a job at a small bakery about a year ago. And unfortunately that business sort of just sort of imploded in and of itself and she wasn't, you know.

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It didn't it didn't end well not to any of her own fault. But it took a while to sort of help her find a new thing, and I'm happy to report that I believe it was early last month she got hired at Redcakes which is the gluten free bakery that's it had been in Lincoln Square Mall in Urbana, and it's just about to move to

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Savoy, and she's doing just amazing, really loves it and you know the people there seem to have really like welcomed her in and so it's really great to see her you know - fingers crossed - hopefully settled in a place that can be you know sort of a work community for her for hopefully a long time.

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And also, you know, go down to Redcakes if you need any gluten free baked goods.

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I would love to give them a shout out. And the other story is that is somebody else who we worked with over a long period of time to help find a position -

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She's somebody who came to us sort of right out of high school. She didn't have a lot of work experience at all.

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She and her and her family were a little bit sort of trepidatious about her being on her own in the community in a workplace.

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Like she had some bad experiences in school, which is true of many, many of the people that we all know and work with.

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And those I think had made it hard for her to feel, you know, safe and confident out in the world.

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And we, you know, spent a long time helping her do some various volunteer positions. You know, a couple paid positions here and there and about... I think it was early summer or June.

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May - June. She was hired at Big Grove, doing some of the sort of the side work there.

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And it has just been night and day. She's like, she's doing so great, and she when she talks about it, her her face just lights up and and you know when our employment specialist goes in to kind of check on how things are going, it seems like the other people there have also just really welcomed her and how things are going, it seems like the other people there have also just really welcomed her in.

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And so, I think both of those things are really just sort of like a testament to sometimes it's not successful, but then it's that's just kind of one of the steps on the sort of path forward,

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And so it's been really wonderful to see both of those, those kind of success stories like come to fruition a little bit and hopefully that continues.

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It's been great to see sort of those those individuals who have those roles like really feel so so you know accomplished and doing that and it's also really you know, like really feel so, so, you know, accomplished and doing that.

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And it's also really, you know, like I think employment is one of the roles where for the staff too, you know, like I think employment is one of the roles where for the staff too, you know, like I think employment is one of the roles where for the staff too to sort of like, you know, they are, they experience some of that sort of rejection over and over again.

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And so it's also really great to see our staff, you know, sort of be able to celebrate with those people and say like, Hey, you know, like we did this together.

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So, anyway, I obviously am very pleased about those things that are going on. And then the other thing I just wanted to share was we had a group of 3 self advocates and a couple staff go to the Speak Up Speak Out rally a couple weeks ago in Springfield.

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And you know, I think they had a really great experience. It seems to have sort of enlivened a little bit more interest and enthusiasm for kind of attending some of those statewide kind of advocacy events and we have at least one person who's signed up to go next week to the Dignity in Pay rally that's going to be up in the capital on the 25th.

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So we're really excited to see that and kind of see that kind of coming back. Since the pandemic.

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Good morning, I'm Annette Becherer from DSC. I'm gonna start with an employment success story, but on the opposite end.

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We have had a few people retire that we've supported for a long time and one gentleman, I've supported for a long time and one gentleman, Alan, retired after many, many years

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Of receiving support from us and, you know, during that transition, it's important to kind of look at what supports are available after retirement.

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And so his CLP, his community living person, has started to increase time with him and so he's transitioning very successfully into the post-employment world, and we had a retirement party for him, which was huge because he doesn't like attention, and he's already talking about all the reading he's doing and going out for a lunch.

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And so we're planning on keeping him engaged. Also for our community first program I've talked about how we have groups that run a cycle of 4 months.

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And they're very well planned now. We have kind of a curriculum. We have an outline every week, but we know we also have to maintain some level of fluidity

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So that we can respond to requests from the program participants. That's how Comic-Con happened.

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Very recently we had a request to do a Taylor Swift bracelet-making party, so we said of course why not? So we're just in the beginning stages of that.

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And I'm guessing everybody knows that people who go to the Taylor Swift concerts, they exchange bracelets with lines for her songs, etc.

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So, anyway, you know, keep your social calendar open. We are opening that to the community.

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You know, maybe we'll have 50, maybe we'll have 2,000. You just never know.

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She's very, very popular. So anyway, just, you know, maintain that flexibility. So, anyway, just, you know, maintain that flexibility.

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Thank you. So, anyway, just, you know, maintain that flexibility. Thank you. If you're opening it to the community, you better buy a lot of beads. We have a contributor on the zoom.

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Is everybody in the room done? Good. Okay, so is it okay to move to, oh, is it okay to move to the Zoom participant?

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Alright, Mel Liong.

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Hmm.

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Good morning everybody. So I just wanted to let you guys know I'm pretty excited about something that, in, in July I have moved to a somewhat different position at PACE, even though I'm still involved.

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In, in July, I have moved to a somewhat different position at PACE, even though I'm still involved with the Personal Support Worker but different kind of involvement so and for the longest time in the 4 years that I've been the PSW Program Coordinator at PACE,

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I have someone that I relied on heavily, and it was it was very important for it for the the program to succeed.

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She has been my confidante my my strong hand as up when I'm not able to carry on and stuff, and she has filled in the gaps so many times.

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And I have been talking to her, and I've been telling her, and she'll be really good with the assistance, and since I moved out that different capability at PACE.

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So I'm glad to share that she finally has accepted the position as the Personal Support Personal Assistant Coordinator.

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She is with us at at the zoom. Her name is Paula, and she is pretty excited of taking over my old position, and she will do great things of continuing the personal support worker, as

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The coordinator for it. Paula, you want to say a few things?

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I I think many of you know me. I'm Paula.

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I've agreed to taking on Mel's position part time. So I'd be going to take on Mel's position

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Full time. I'm not now. I'm going to do my best.

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That's all.

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Thank you. I think that's the one, I have, for 4 years, she has been by my side, and the success of personal support worker program.

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Yeah.

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If you

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And.

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I totally between the 2 of us, we worked really hard for it and so I wouldn't I really think she knows backwards and forwards that program because we have been with it for 4 years,

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So I'm so happy that she had accepted that position, and another thing that I wanted... Go ahead, Paula.

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Okay. And I have my own PAs. I could be on the Home Based waiver but I'm on the other waiver.

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Yeah, I'd say, I could be.. And I'm on the PUNS because of

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My disability.

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And the other thing I want to share with everyone, I don't know if everyone knows that at the I-hotel today there will be a conference about the sub minimum wage.

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Move, I'm some minimum wage to competitive integrated employment. It's a project for 5 years

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That the state of Illinois is doing for that they gave DRS 14 million dollars for individuals with disabilities

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From sheltered workshop to community employment. They will have that going on at the I hotel this afternoon and all day tomorrow.

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So I wanted to share that with everybody. So, and that's us at PACE. Thank you so much for letting us share.

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Okay.

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Thank you.

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Congratulations to both of you. Paula, I'm sure you'll be great at that position.

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Thank you.

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And congratulations to you as well now. Okay. What, question for you, Mel, who is sponsoring that conference at

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The I-Hotel today?

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And so it is actually, it's a project that, is partner with UIUC.

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Okay.

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So anyone that's, it was, it was invited to everybody that, again, I think if you are you see that sponsoring that, it, again, I think it's UIUC that's sponsoring that because it's at the I-Hotel.

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Okay. Alright, thank you. Anybody else on Zoom?

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If anyone wants me to share that link and stuff, I could share it and then forward to you. I know it's I kind of today and tomorrow and stuff.

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So I'm planning to go so if I can always forward it to Kim and Lynn if anyone wants it.

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No, please share.

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Yeah.

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Okay, let's move on to where are we county board input? No Leah today. Do you have anything for us, Lynn? No

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Alright. And. Board announcements and oh Champaign County Mental Health Board input.

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They will meet this evening. Last month they were one person shy of quorum. So they got a really thick board packet because it's sort of piling up. There, you know, there are so many circumstances that make it hard for people to do in person meetings,

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I'm really sorry that, you know, we're obligated to do that. So we don't know.

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Hopefully we'll have a quorum tonight and can't. So we don't know. Hopefully we'll have a quorum tonight and kings that through the business.

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But it's what you all, it's very similar to what you all are doing tonight or this morning and then plus what you did in September.

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So. You know, I skipped something, something. I skipped board to board reports, number 15. Page 89 and 90.

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So we at a point where we are going to be selecting or deciding on whether or not we are doing this



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Liaison... Yeah, I'm so glad you remember that. So we have put together a little chart, and then we also put together draft

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Guidelines for the for liaison service if you choose to do it, but you don't have to do it this way.

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At all or even at all, but it was a it was a suggestion that you brought up at the study session and so it's this is really an opportunity for you to discuss and then if you want to give feedback now or even after the meeting

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As to whether we should continue to include these things in the packet or how you want to do this, but there is a I brought an invitation to the to one of the agencies events that's coming up because I think those are the kind of things that might be.

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Kind of cool for board members to do it. You know, just. It's after hours, and there are snacks.

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So those are those are nice things.

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Just speaking personally, for this size board, and for this configuration board, I don't feel the need to do this.

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I feel like we have very good communication. I, really appreciate the input that agencies have every month when we have our meeting.

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I know they're open if we want to visit with them or contact them. They're open.

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I don't feel like I need to put something else on my agenda. And especially attending their board meetings.

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I don't wanna do that.

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Yeah, go ahead. Having been on the mental health board where I did attend as a liaison, it was a plus and minus experience.

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Some of the boards, you know, wondered why I was there. Some of the boards were welcoming.

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There were so many agencies that we needed to learn and keep a pulse on that I think it was important for

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The mental health board, but the amount of information that we get I agree with and just in our board meetings

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From agencies seems more than sufficient. And if we have questions, I think we can direct them to the agency.

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So I don't see a need to add onto our calendars either. What do you think, Georgiana?

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I mean, we can be unofficial liaisons, but not official.

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Okay, so are you on the other side? So having been part of, so this idea I had because I was part of the Evanston mental health board and we had you know liaison roles. I agree that we did it in that agency - or in that board - we had a lot of agencies to kind of keep track of.

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We actually never went to the board meetings. We, it was more of a visit at with the agencies.

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You can meet with people who were served. We could meet with staff to get a personal update on the things that they're doing,

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And as we could also ask questions based on other board members who maybe had questions and bring it to

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To the agency. So we did it twice a year. Had a twice a year visit. And so it was just twice a year we updated the board.

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So, yeah, I don't necessarily think we need to be at their board meetings, but, personally, I think it would be beneficial to actually go and meet with folks who are being served and supported by the agencies and then to get an update

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From the agencies, it's like 2 hours, you know, what we did was like about 2 hours a year

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To meet with the agencies. Or, 2 hours per agency. So. Okay, I would argue that it would be a good benefit,

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But I think about the overall. So we have some agency people here. Can I ask? Does anybody think that we'd be beneficial to have a DD board meeting -

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DD board member working with you more closely. Anybody have an opinion there?

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Patty's got a million.

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Patty Walters at DSC. I, we would welcome it. I mean, I don't, I think there's when there's a new board member we typically meet with someone if they're not real familiar with us.

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Danielle and I'll meet, and then we'll do a tour or people you know they have access to the directors I think there is a lot of information shared here I think there's a lot in the quarterly reports and I don't know if that's the best way to share that information.

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We've kind of talked about that in the past. So I think we'd be open.

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I think the board meetings are more functional and not necessarily Q&A and learning about stuff like what you're suggesting and you - I think the minutes are provided every month anyway right, so I mean I

think you gather lots of information, and it's not necessarily the face to face that that you would find beneficial.

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So I mean, I obviously I would guess that most agencies would be welcome and open to that. My 2 cents?

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Any other comments?

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Yeah, I would, sorry, I would really probably echo the same thing. I think we'd be happy to have an official kind of liaison role and also want to make sure you guys all know that you'd be more than welcome to

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You know, attend events, come and have a, you know, a one on one meeting. If you have questions, I'm always available.

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So I think in a formalized way that's great and also in an informal way would be totally fine too.

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I agree with Patty. I think that maybe the board meetings are a lot of kind of like sort of day-to-day kind of working through the business of things, which could be helpful for you.

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I don't know that it would be as. Interactive maybe as as some of those other meetings could be I guess that would be my kind of takeaway.

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We have some, we have some feedback from, and then also in the chat. Okay.

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I guess I'll say the same thing. I echo that because you guys probably have none for 4 years.

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I'm pretty excited when we I share about the personal support worker at PACE and there's always going on and with Sherry being on their helm, we, I share about the personal support worker at PACE and there's always going on and with Sherry being on their helm, we have done new things at PACE and there's always going on and with Sherry being on their helm, we have done new things at PACE and

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we have done new things at PACE and we have done new things at PACE and we would love to share with everyone what we would like to share with everyone what we have moved forward at PACE and what new things that we do especially for the personal support worker program.

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We have moved forward at PACE and what new things that we do, especially for the personal support worker program.

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We continue to look into a lot of things that's new and progressive. So, but again, it is also that if you just want to spend 2 hours with me, and I do talk a lot, so it might not be, might not be 2 hours.

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Okay.

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So, but yeah Again, any any way you wanna contact with us or being with us at PACE, we would definitely welcome meeting everyone.

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Okay.

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Hey.

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Well, if all your enthusiasm rubs off on us, I think it could be a benefit. And then the comment is from

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The director of GROW, which is a mental health focused agency. They, she says you are welcome at any of the GROW board meetings and welcome to attend any of our community groups.

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They're in person, online, or Zoom. So. And just PS GROW is where we learned that we could do meetings

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Virtually through zoom, years and years and years ago. So it's okay. Very good.

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I do have a couple of questions. Okay. So, so.

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We are involved with the state association of mental health and mental health boards, developmental and mental health boards, developmental disability boards, and public health boards that developmental disability boards, and public health boards, developmental disability boards, and public health boards, but the Evanston Mental Health Board is quite a mystery

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To us. There are a lot of things we don't know about, including did they have staff?

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They did. Yes, so they had, so this was actually when they had a Township, so, but they don't have a township anymore.

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And this was in the early 2010s. So I was on the board from 2009 till about 2013.

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So 5 years. She's like the one a little bit more of a cycle.

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And they had a staff over who was like the Public Health Director and then - Jonathan Webb is actually in charge of he works in DC now, but he was so I'm not sure if they have staff now as well but he was a part of the public health district there, and he was the direct staff liaison, and so it's very similar to this, but we didn't have a DDB. DD and mental health

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was served under a mental health board. So it's just one staff ever kind of was your role,

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Lynn, and then there were there was a person who was like Stephanie, and there might yeah I think there might have been another staff member so yeah they didn't have staff.

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Okay. I'm not sure currently if they have. So it's interesting that they don't seem to say with the state or organization.

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Well, we know, we're having there's a lot of turmoil this year because there are so many new mental health boards, and this is obviously - people realize their communities need a stronger system of community-based mental health care.



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So that's all good, but the way they're going about is very haphazard and somewhat

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Stoking some political conflict that I feel like does not belong in the mental health space, so we don't - we're not, we're not banging on the door.

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I'm interested to find out what's going on with their mental health board. We're really celebrating like we need to be local authorities and make decisions that are relevant to our communities and then be respectful of that with each other.

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But that said, when I came into this role in 2016 there was a very big discussion among our membership about this

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Liaison practice and that some of the northern boards were stopping it because of the appearance of conflict of interest that it created among board members who would be deeply involved with an agency and then lobbying for them when it was decision time.

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So they were moving away from that practice, and we talked about this at the mental health board at the time, and you know mental health board members felt like well

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We know where we're coming from and we are grown ups and can, we can do this, but, and also not be biased.

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And so they chose to continue doing the liaison engagements, but to make it really informal so that it's just here's the list of board, of board meeting times, and agencies if you want to go to a board meeting, you know, you have to kind of let them know in advance,

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But the kind of - The invitation that they're all talking about sounds much more consistent with what you said, and I don't know, and it's not really a liaison practice that's really just kind of getting to know you, and maybe we don't make enough time at the - in this context - for agencies to present on all the things that they do.

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So it's possible we could change the way we do board meetings, if you all did not want to have the extra but but it sounds like keeping it informal is

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A popular decision right now. Okay. Well, it sounds like, you know, maybe if the providers have something that they would like us to see,

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Then, you know, an invitation would be appreciated if anybody could respond to that. So why don't we just leave it at that for right now.

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Would that be acceptable to all of you? Okay.

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Alright then. Oh, where are we? Champaign mental health board input. We did it.

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You just did it. Okay. Board announcements.

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Anybody have an announcement?

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But zooming through this. Okay, other business is the review of closed session minutes. If anybody needs to discuss, I think we need to go into closed session.

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If we, if we need to go into this to closed session to discuss, I might start crying because it requires a recording in a separate room while this recording continues.

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It requires a recording in a separate room while this recording continues. I did bring a second computer for that purpose, the recording in a separate room while this recording continues.

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I did bring a second computer for that purpose, but I also hoped that people would ask me in advance so that we wouldn't have to have a second computer for that purpose but I also hoped that people would ask me in advance so that we wouldn't have to have a closed session discussion about the closed session.

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You absolutely can if you want to. Okay, I have the question. Why is this even on the agenda?

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And I was required by that Open Meetings Act and you are, you are ineligible to even know... I was told not to be involved. I was told not to be involved.

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Yeah, which I totally disagree with, but I, I totally disagree with, but I, like that. So, okay, it's required.

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It's required every 6 months by the open meeting, which I totally disagree with, but I, like that. So, okay, it's required.

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It's required every 6 months by the open meeting. So, okay, it's required. It's required every 6 months by the open meeting. So, okay, it's required.

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It's required every 6 months by the open meetings act that a public body, that board approve continuing to keep them closed or revise them or go into closed session and discuss them or bring them into... Stop keeping them closed, but the attorneys have

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Recommended that we continue to keep them closed and that will probably continue for a long time. So we need, there's an act, this is an action.

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It is, you know, I don't see any reason to go into a closed meeting. I think that the

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Information provided was sufficient to not need further discussion. And I wasn't involved

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18 months ago but... Nor was I. So

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You can absolutely call me or email me later if you have any questions about the matter. Yeah. No, no, that's what I will entertain a motion to through keeping those.

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Meeting minutes. I will move. I will make the motion to keep those minutes closed.

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Thank you, Georgiana. Second. You, I can't vote. Oh, second.

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I can't even vote about it. I thought it was a minutes closed. There was a second already, right?

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Thank you. Who can't vote? Just. Okay.

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Alright.

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Okay, are we ready for vote then? All those in favor say a aye. Any opposed? Alright.

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Yeah, that went longer than I thought. I'm sorry. 10:27. Thank you all for you, we did.

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It was relaxed because we didn't have Yeah, any funny.