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

May 27, 2026

This meeting was held at the Scott Bennett Administrative Center

102 E. Main St., Urbana, IL 61801

and with remote access via Zoom.

9:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kim Fisher, Anne Robin, Dianne Husby-Gordon, Susan Fowler, Neil Sharma

STAFF PRESENT:

Kim Bowdry, Lynn Canfield, Stephanie Howard-Gallo, Shandra Summerville, Chris Wilson

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ryan LaCosse, Heather Bouchez, Adam Wilt, Jill Frank, Best Buddies; Danielle Matthews, Patty Walters, Kelli Martin, AJ Zwettler, Heather Levingston, Sarah Perry, Laura Bennett, Jodie Harmon, DSC; Hannah Sheets, Becca Obuchowski, Community Choices; Paula Vanier, Mel Liong, Eric Enger, Michelle Ingram, PACE; Jacinda Dariotis, Family Resiliency Center UIUC; Angela Yost, Jessica Heckenmueller, CCRPC; Annie Bruno, ARC of Illinois; Jenny Lokshin, Champaign County Board; Jennifer Buoy, Citizen; Amanda Barrett, Citizen.

CALL TO ORDER:

Dr. Robin called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

ROLL CALL:

Roll call was taken, and a quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

An agenda was approved. The Evaluation Capacity Building Project report will be deferred until the June meeting.

CCDDB and CCMHB SCHEDULES/TIMELINES:

Draft CCDDB and CCMHB meeting schedules and CCDDB allocation timeline were posted online and linked in the agenda.

ACRONYMS and GLOSSARY:

A list of commonly used acronyms was posted publicly and linked in the agenda.

CITIZEN INPUT/PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

None.

CHAIR'S COMMENTS:

Dr. Robin commented that she appreciated everyone's hard work leading up to this meeting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS:

Director Canfield had no comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from the April 22, 2026 meeting were included in the packet.

> **MOTION: Dr. Fowler moved to approve the 4/22/26 CCDDB meeting minutes as presented. Dr. Fisher seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed.**

VENDOR INVOICE LISTS:

The Vendor Invoice List was included in the packet.

> **MOTION: Dr. Sharma moved to approve the Vendor Invoice List as presented. Dr. Fisher seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.**

STAFF REPORTS:

Staff reports from Kim Bowdry, Leon Bryson, Stephanie Howard-Gallo, and Shandra Summerville were included in the packet.

NEW BUSINESS:

Agency Responses to Questions About Funding Requests:

A briefing memorandum included agency responses to Board questions raised at the April Board meeting.

Program Year 2027 Allocations:

For consideration by the CCDDB, a decision memorandum presented staff suggestions related to funding for the Program Year 2027 (July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027.) Decision authority rests with the CCDDB and their sole discretion concerning appropriate use of available dollars based on assessment of community needs, best value, alignment with decision support criteria, pricing, affordability, and distribution across service intensity.

CCRPC-Community Services – Decision Support PCP $505,565 Requested

> **MOTION: Dr. Robin moved to approve partial CCDDB funding of $425,042 for CCRPC-Community Services – Decision Support PCP, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCDDB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Dr. Sharma seconded. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.**

DSC – Service Coordination $538,500 Requested

> **MOTION: Dr. Fisher moved to approve partial CCDDB funding of $500,000 for DSC-Service Coordination, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCDDB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Dr. Sharma seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.**

Community Choices, Inc. – Inclusive Community Support $246,000 Requested

> **MOTION: Dr. Sharma moved to approve CCDDB funding of $246,000 for Community Choices, Inc. – Inclusive Community Support, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCDDB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Dr. Fisher seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.**

DSC – Community Living $646,000 Requested

> **MOTION: Ms. Gordon moved to approve CCDDB funding of $646,000 for DSC – Community Living, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCDDB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Dr. Fowler seconded. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.**

Community Choices, Inc. – Transportation Support $261,000 Requested

> **MOTION: Dr. Fisher moved to approve CCDDB funding of $261,000 for Community Choices, Inc. – Transportation Support, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCDDB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Dr. Sharma seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.**

DSC – Clinical Services $264,700 Requested

> **MOTION: Dr. Sharma moved to approve CCDDB funding of $264,700 for DSC – Clinical Services, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCDDB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Dr. Fisher seconded. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.**

DSC – Individual and Family Support $329,000 Requested

> **MOTION: Dr. Fisher moved to approve partial CCDDB funding of $320,000 for DSC- Individual and Family Support, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCDDB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Ms. Gordon seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.**

Persons Assuming Control of Their Environment (PACE) – Consumer Control in Personal Support $45,972 Requested

> **MOTION: Dr. Fowler moved to approve CCDDB funding of up to $45,972 for Persons Assuming Control of Their Environment (PACE) – Consumer Control in Personal Support, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCDDB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. The contract maximum will be reduced if audit issues are not resolved before July 1, with adjustment based on a later start date which will follow resolution. Dr. Fisher seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.**

Best Buddies, International – Best Buddies Jobs - NEW $100,000 Requested

MOTION: Dr. Sharma moved to deny CCDDB funding of $100,000 for Best Buddies International – Best Buddies Jobs. Dr. Fisher seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Community Choices, Inc. – Customized Employment $267,500 Requested

MOTION: Dr. Fisher moved to approve CCDDB funding of $267,500 for Community Choices, Inc. – Customized Employment, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCDDB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Dr. Fowler seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

DSC – Community Employment $540,200 Requested

MOTION: Dr. Fowler moved to approve CCDDB funding of $540,200 for DSC – Community Employment, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCDDB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Ms. Gordon seconded. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

DSC/Community Choices – Employment First $106,000 Requested

MOTION: Dr. Fisher moved to approve CCDDB funding of $106,000 for DSC/Community Choices – Employment First, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCDDB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Dr. Sharma seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Community Choices, Inc. – Self-Determination Support $239,000 Requested

MOTION: Dr. Sharma moved to approve CCDDB funding of $239,000 for Community Choices, Inc. – Self-Determination Support, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCDDB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Dr. Fisher seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

DSC – Community First $1,035,000 Requested

MOTION: Ms. Gordon moved to approve CCDDB funding of $1,035,000 for DSC – Community First, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCDDB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Dr. Sharma seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

DSC – Connections $125,500 Requested

> **MOTION: Dr. Sharma moved to approve CCDDB funding of $125,500 for DSC – Connections, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCDDB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Ms. Gordon seconded. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.**

DSC – Workforce Development and Retention $287,310 Requested

> **MOTION: Dr. Fisher moved to approve CCDDB funding of $287,310 for DSC – Workforce Development and Retention, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCDDB Executive Director and Board Officer to execute the agreement. Dr. Sharma seconded. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.**

> **MOTION: Dr. Fisher moved to approve a 2 year contract for DSC Workforce Development and Retention program, subject to the caveats as presented in the memorandum, and to authorize the CCDDB Executive Director to execute the agreement. Dr. Fowler seconded. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Champaign County Head Start – Early Childhood MH Services $411,062 Requested

> **MOTION: Dr. Sharma moved to advise the Champaign County Mental Health Board to use I/DD set-aside funds for a two-year term for Champaign County Head Start – Early Childhood MH Services. Dr. Fisher seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.**

CU Early – CU Early $86,701 Requested

> **MOTION: Dr. Robin moved to advise the Champaign County Mental Health Board to use I/DD set-aside funds for a two-year term for CU Early – CU Early. Dr. Fowler seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.**

> **MOTION: Dr. Robin moved to authorize the Executive Director to conduct contract negotiations as specified in the memorandum. Dr. Sharma seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.**

> **MOTION: Dr. Robin moved to authorize the Executive Director to implement contract maximum reductions as described in the memorandum. Dr. Fisher seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.**

Evaluation Capacity Building Project Update:

The 3 Year Report for the Evaluation Capacity Building Project was included in the packet. See resources developed by the team at https://www.familyresiliency.illinois.edu/resources/microlearning-videos

OLD BUSINESS:

Emerging Threats:

Dr. Fisher provided an update.

Input from People with I/DD:

Jennifer Buoy spoke regarding programs that she found helpful to her in our community.

Engage Illinois:

Dr. Fowler provided an update.

disAbility Resource Expo and AIR Updates:

See also https://disabilityresourceexpo.org and https://champaigncountyair.com. Updates were provided by Director Canfield.

Program Year 2026 Third Quarter Reports:

Third Quarter reports for Program Year 2026 were included in the Board packet for information and review.

SUCCESSES AND AGENCY INFORMATION:

Successes and agency information was provided by Patty Walters from DSC; Paula Vanier from PACE; and Becca Obuchowski from Community Choices.

COUNTY BOARD INPUT:

Jenny Lokshin from the Champaign County Board thanked everyone for their work during the funding cycle.

CHAMPAIGN COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD (CCMHB) INPUT:

The CCMHB will meet later today to make their funding decisions.

BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INPUT:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 10:23 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Stephanie Howard-Gallo

CCMHB/CCDDB Compliance and Operations Coordinator

**Approved by the CCDDB on July 29, 2026.*