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

Minutes October 22, 2025

*This meeting was held at the Scott Bennett Administrative Center
102 E. Main St., Urbana, IL 61802
and with remote access via Zoom.*

9:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kim Fisher, Vicki Niswander, Susan Fowler, Anne Robin, Neil Sharma

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Danielle Matthews, Kelli Martin, AJ Zwettler, Heather Livingston, Sarah Perry, Patty Walters, Jamie Olsen, DSC; Hannah Sheets, Becca Obuchowski, Community Choices; Paula Vanier, Mel Liong, Eric Enger, PACE; Jenny Lokshin, Champaign County Board; Vince Perez, MedLaunch at UIUC; Jacinda Dariotis, Family Resiliency Center UIUC; Angela Yost, Jessica Heckenmueller, Lisa Benson, CCRPC; Brenda Eakins, GROW in Illinois; Marcelis Williams, Legacy Way Foundation.

CALL TO ORDER:

Ms. Niswander 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.

CCDDB and CCMHB SCHEDULES/TIMELINES:

Draft CCDDDB and CCMHB meeting schedules and CCDDDB allocation timeline were in the packet. The 2026 schedule has been revised and will be presented for Board approval in January.

ACRONYMS and GLOSSARY:

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

CITIZEN INPUT/PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

None.

PRESIDENT’S COMMENTS:

Ms. Niswander announced that she plans to move out of the area sometime in the coming months and expressed gratitude for the dedication of all present.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S COMMENTS:

Director Canfield shared that if the president is unable to complete her term, an interim election can be held. There are applicants for a CCDDDB position, if and when one becomes vacant.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from the 9/24/25 meeting and 9/24/25 study session were included in the packet.

MOTION: Dr. Robin moved to approve the 9/24/25 board meeting minutes. Dr. Fowler seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed.

MOTION: Dr. Robin moved to approve the 9/24/25 joint study session minutes. Dr. Sharma seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed.

VENDOR INVOICE LIST:

The Vendor Invoice List was included in the Board packet.

MOTION: Dr. Fowler moved to approve the Vendor Invoice List as presented. Dr. Robin seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS:

Staff reports were included in the packet for review.

NEW BUSINESS:

Med Launch Presentation:

Vince Perez, representing the student-led organization at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, presented on their work to make the community more accessible.

DRAFT Revised CCDDDB Funding Requirements:

For information was an initial draft of revised “CCDDDB Requirements and Guidelines for Allocation of Funds” and memorandum on the proposed changes.

OLD BUSINESS:**REVISED 2026 Budget:**

A memorandum requested approval of revisions to the previously approved CCDDDB budget. Updated budget documents and the County presentations of CCDDDB, CCMHB, and IDDSI budgets were included as background information.

MOTION: Dr. Robin moved to “approve the attached REVISED 2026 CCDDDB Budget, with anticipated revenues and expenditures of \$5,689,961.” Dr. Fisher seconded. A roll call was taken, and the motion passed.

Input from People with I/DD:

None.

Response to Emerging Threats:

Board members expressed interest in developing a resolution for approval at the next meeting.

Engage Illinois:

Ms. Niswander provided a verbal update, stressing the need for many names to be added to the effort’s list of supporters.

Evaluation Capacity Building Project Update:

Jacinda Dariotis from the Family Resiliency Center provided an update on the recent story telling workshop and shared the latest microlearning video.

disAbility Resource Expo Update:

Staff and Board members shared updates on the Expo event held October 18, 2025.

PY2025 I/DD Utilization and Outcome Summaries:

A report summarizing results of I/DD programs funded by the CCDDDB, CCMHB, and IDDSI during PY2025 was included in the packet. At the request of Dr. Fowler, this report will be presented again at the next regular meeting, for fuller discussion.

SUCSESSES AND AGENCY INFORMATION:

Paula Vanier from PACE provided an update on outreach/recruiting activities. Becca Obuchowski from Community Choices provided an agency update and commented on the Expo event as well

as emerging issues which may impact people who receive services. Heather Levingston, DSC, brought up serious issues with establishing eligibility for services, including apparent changes in the state's process and school evaluations. Other agency representatives joined this discussion, including Angela Yost from CCRPC, Paula Vanier, PACE, and Becca Obuchowski, Community Choices. Due to the serious implications for current and future participants of funded services, and the likely need for a coordinated system advocacy effort, Director Canfield asked and Chair Niswander agreed to add an agenda item on this topic for the next regular meeting.

COUNTY BOARD INPUT:

Jenny Lokshin answered an earlier question about actual year-to-date property tax distributions and invited Chris Wilson to share what he had learned from the Treasurer's office.

CCMHB INPUT:

The CCMHB was to meet in the afternoon. A joint study session is scheduled for October 29.

BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INPUT:

None.

OTHER BUSINESS – CLOSED SESSION:

MOTION: Chair Niswander moved “to enter into Closed Session for Semi-Annual Closed Session Minutes Review pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (21). The following individuals will join this closed session: members of the Champaign County Developmental Disabilities Board and Executive Director Canfield.” Dr. Fowler seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken at 10:38AM, and the motion passed.

Board members and Director Canfield moved to the Putman Conference Room for the closed session. At 10:43AM, Chair Niswander called Open Session back to order, and roll call was taken.

MOTION: Dr. Fowler moved “to maintain the confidentiality status of the February 19, 2020, February 26, 2020, July 21, 2021, and February 23, 2022 closed session minutes as identified and to continue maintaining them as closed.” Dr. Fisher seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by: Lynn Canfield, CCMHB/CCDDB Executive Director

**Minutes approved by the CCDDB on November 19, 2025.*