

CHAMPAIGN COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD (CCMHB)

And

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (COW) STUDY SESSION

Minutes – June 20, 2007—6:00 p.m.

*Illinois Terminal Building
45 East University Avenue
Champaign, IL*

MEMBERS PRESENT: Janet Anderson, Aillinn Dannave, Joyce Dill, Bill Gleason, Ernie Gullerud, Deloris Henry, Mike McClellan, Deborah Townsend

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Holly Jordan, Mary Ann Midden, Thom Moore, Michael Smith

STAFF PRESENT: Peter Tracy, Executive Director, William Conlin

STAFF EXCUSED: Nancy Crawford, Mark Driscoll, Stephanie Howard-Gallo

OTHERS PRESENT: Zelig Bartell, DBSA; Bruce Barnard, Julie Kartel, Sheila Ferguson, Mental Health Center (MHC); Sue Wittman, Prairie Center Health Systems (PCHS)

CALL TO ORDER:

Dr. Townsend, CCMHB Vice-President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Roll call was taken and a quorum was present.

CITIZEN INPUT:

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from the May 16, 2007 Committee of the Whole study session were included in the Board packet.

MOTION: Ms. Dannave moved to approve the minutes from the May 16, 2007 Committee of the Whole (COW) study session. Ms. Anderson seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE STUDY SESSION:

Screening, Assessment and Support (SASS) Services:

The SASS program began in 1989 for severely emotionally disturbed children. SASS provides intensive mental health services for children and youth who may need hospitalization for mental health care. In 2004 the program was implemented statewide.

Ms. Kim Seward from Crosspoint Human Services described the extent of services provided.

The SASS program provides: (1) screening, assessment and treatment of any child who may be at risk of psychiatric hospitalization and who is eligible for public funding under any of the programs administered by one of the three collaborating departments; (2) access to coordinated community-based mental health services either in lieu or following in-patient care; and (3) linkage for families and guardians to the appropriate levels of care to meet the mental health treatment needs of a child or adolescent.

The SASS program has two components: (1) A Crisis and Referral Entry Services phone line known as CARES that operates through a 1-800 phone line, and (2) geographically dispersed screening agents known as SASS providers.

Service numbers and statistics were distributed to Board members. A question and answer period followed Ms. Seward's presentation.

BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Champaign County Mental Health Board (CCMHB) will hold their next meeting on July 10, 2007.

ADJOURNMENT:

Dr. Townsend adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully

Submitted by: _____
Stephanie Howard-Gallo
CCMHB/CCDDB Staff

Approved by: _____
Dr. Deborah Townsend
CCMHB Vice-President

Date: _____

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