



WILL COUNTY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD
501 Ella Avenue Joliet, IL 60433, Conference Room 1005A/B

Monday July 13, 2026 @ 3:30 PM

Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order and Declaration of Quorum

Elnalyn Costa, Board President called the meeting to order at 3:34pm.

Secretary Jessica Parks took roll call and with eight (8) of nine (9) board members present President Elnalyn Costa declared a quorum.

Name	Title	Status
Elnalyn Costa	President	Present
Patricia Meade	Vice President	Present
Jessica Parks	Secretary	Present
Terri King	Treasurer	Present
Juhie Faheem		Present
Cristina Centeno		Not Present
Tessa Quinlan		Present
Tim McGannon		Present
Khadija Sufi		Present

Also, present was Dave Silverman, Will County 708 Board Legal Advisor and Teena Mackey, 708 Board Executive Director.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Brittany Parra, Parradice Productions led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Public Comment on Agenda Items Only

No Public Comment

IV. Approval of the Minutes

- A. Will County Community Mental Health Board, approval of the minutes of the Monday, June 8, 2026 regularly scheduled monthly Board Meeting.

Motion Passed 8-0	
Motion	King
Second	Parks
Discussion/Corrections	none
AYES	Costa, Meade, Parks, King, Faheem, Quinlan, McGannon, Sufi
NAYS	none
Absent	Centeno

V. Executive Director Items

- A. Requesting authorization to pay invoice from Diversified Services Network for consulting services through June 2026. **Invoice of \$880.00.** Expenditures will be paid from the Consulting line item in the budget .

Motion Passed 8-0.

Motion	Sufi
Second	Quinlan
Discussion/Corrections	none
AYES	Costa, Meade, Parks, King, Faheem, Quinlan, McGannon, Sufi
NAY	none
Absent	Centeno

- B. Requesting authorization to pay invoice from Mahoney, Silverman and Cross **invoice of \$ 600.00.** for legal services through June 2026. Expenditures will be paid from the Legal Services line item in the budget.

Motion Passed 8-0.

Motion	Parks
Second	Faheem
Discussion/Corrections	None
AYES	Costa, Meade, Parks, King, Faheem, Quinlan, McGannon, Sufi
NAYS	none
Absent	Centeno

- C. Requesting authorization to pay **invoice of \$ 2,700.00** from Parradice Production for July 2026. Expenditures will be paid from the Consultant Services line item in the budget.

Motion Passed 8-0.

Motion	Sufi
Second	Parks
Discussion/Corrections	None
AYES	Costa, Meade, Parks, King, Faheem, Quinlan, McGannon, Sufi
NAYS	none
Absent	Centeno

- D. Request authorization to spend \$100.00 for a table at the Black Joy Parade to take place in downtown Joliet on Saturday, August 29, 2026.

Motion Passed 8-0.

Motion	Faheem
Second	Parks
Discussion/Corrections	None
Ayes	Costa, Meade, Parks, King, Faheem, Quinlan, McGannon, Sufi
NAYS	none
Absent	Centeno

- E. Presentation by Jimmy O'Connor, Executive Director, the Second Story Foundation. Jimmy presented the WCCMHB with an overview of the services provided at the Second Story Ranch

an equine facility located in Crete. The Second Story Foundation is working with the Recovery Community Center of Joliet to provide work opportunities for folks in recovery. They provide support and support groups as well. The long term plan is a residential facility providing long term support for recovery for men living with a substance use condition. The Second Story Foundation was recently awarded \$2 million dollars toward their capital program. Jimmy stated that brings them halfway toward the \$4 million dollars they need to build a residential building and a building for meetings, meals, common areas, etc.

Jimmy stated that he is grateful for the support of the WCCMHB providing salary options for the operation of the facility.

VI. Old Business

A. Update from the Will County Health Department

- a. Diane Scruggs, Director of the Behavioral Health Division and Dr. Kathleen Burke, Substance Use Initiative at the WCHD provided a report. (please see under separate cover)

VII. New Business

- A. President's Report – Inquired about the possible use of Apple and/or Spotify for posting the podcasts. She explained that she prefers to listen to a podcast rather than sit and watch a video. Elnalyn also inquired about the value of staff attending an upcoming Euna Grants conference for training on the software program we use for grant management.
- B. Vice President's report – no report at this time.
- C. Secretary's Report – no report at this time.
- D. Treasurer's Report –Ms. King reviewed the Financial Balance Sheet outlining revenues and expenditures through June 2026 and entertained any questions about the report. Hearing none Ms. King asked for a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report.

Motion Passed 8-0.

Motion	Meade
Second	Faheem
Discussion/Corrections	None
AYES	Costa, Meade, Parks, King, Faheem, Quinlan, McGannon, Sufi
NAYS	none
Absent	Centeno

VIII. Committee Reports

- A. Personnel Committee – Board Member Faheem indicated that the Personnel Committee will be considering the Annual Evaluation of the Executive Director whose anniversary date is July 29, 2026.

IX. Public Comment

1. Emily Ballard from the Affirming Minds Institute presented information about their Grand Opening Event on Tuesday, July 21.

XI. Motion to Adjourn – Secretary Jessica Parks had to depart the meeting a few minutes early.

Motion Passed 7-0.

Motion	Sufi
Second	Meade
Discussion/Corrections	None
AYES	Costa, Meade, King, Faheem, Quinlan, McGannon, Sufi
NAYS	none
Absent	Centeno, Parks

- X.** Next Monthly Board Meeting Date – Monday, August 10, 2026 @ 3:30p at the Will County Health Department Community Room, 501 Ella Avenue, Joliet.