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CITY OF ST. LOUIS MENTAL HEALTH BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes of the June 9, 2026 Virtual Executive Committee Meeting

Board Officers	Attendance
Rob Poirier, Chair	Zoom
Julia López, Vice-Chair	Zoom
Vander Corliss, Secretary/Treasurer	Zoom

Others Attending:
Cassandra Kaufman, Executive Director
Matt McBride, General Counsel, Lashly & Baer

1. **Call to Order**
   The virtual meeting of the MHB Executive Committee was called to order at 2:01 p.m. by Board Chair Rob Poirier.

2. **Approve minutes from April 14, 2026 Executive Committee Meeting**
   Secretary/Treasurer Vander Corliss moved and Vice Chair Julia López seconded the motion to approve the April 14, 2026 meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

3. **Approve minutes from May 4, 2026 Special Executive Committee Meeting**
   Vander moved and Julia seconded the motion to approve the May 4. 2026 Special Executive Committee Meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

4. **Preview June 18, 2026 Board Meeting Tentative Agenda**
   Executive Director Cassandra Kaufman informed the committee that Dr. Jason Purnell, President and CEO of the James S. McDonnel Foundation, who was scheduled to deliver a presentation on the foundation's Inclusive Prosperity Partnership with the St. Louis Community Foundation, would be postponed until the August 20 meeting due to Dr. Purnell's scheduling conflict.

   Julia agreed to present the resolution for the establishment and implementation of the Behavioral Health Care Team (BHCT). Cassandra clarified for the committee that funded partnership participation was opt-in and that MHB General Counsel Matt McBride had reviewed the BCHT MOU. Rob recommended that the BHCT "Policies" to be adopted as part of the BCHT approval should be "Guidelines" rather than "Policies." This change would be reflected in the resolution and materials to be shared in the June Board Packet. Funded partners who opt-in to participate in the BCHT would be required to participate in additional training, most of which is free. Costs for trainings with fees would be covered by a budgeted line item in the FY27 proposed operating budget, as would stipends to offset funded partner staffing costs when an activation occurs.

   Julia also agreed to present the resolution to approve carryover funding for Places for People's (Centerstone of Missouri as of July 1, 2026) Incredible Years parent education program which was not awarded CCSF funding for the FY27 – 29 grant cycle. The agency announced its intention to close out the program in the first quarter of FY27 due to the loss of MHB funding.

   Clinical Partnerships Director Dave Haasis will present an update on the Systems Change Planning Grants to prepare the Board for in-depth presentations by Casa de Salud and Behavioral Health Network at the August 20 Board meeting. Rob requested that Trustees receive hard copies of the proposed plans in advance of the August meeting. Cassandra clarified that staff will review the proposed plans prior to sending them to the Board. The vote on whether to fund either, both, or neither of the proposed systems change plans is scheduled for the September 17 Board meeting.

5. **Discuss appointment of committee chairs following restructuring approved in revised bylaws**
   Due to time limitations, this agenda item was deferred until the July 14 Executive Committee meeting. *Please note that the committee does not typically meet in the months in which no board meeting is scheduled, which are July and December. The July 14 meeting was scheduled specifically to address this deferred agenda item.*

6. **Other business**
   The following updates were provided:

   - An **Ice Cream Social is planned for August 10 from 1:00 – 3:00 PM** for all FY27 funded partner organizations at **Rung for Women in Fox Park**. The Mayor and Aldermen have been invited. Rob will be available to offer remarks but will need to leave before 3:00 p.m.

   - Julia shared that she would like to **see staff "spotlight programs" by providing more in-depth information about MHB funded programs they oversee to foster increased Board knowledge and more cohesiveness between the Board and staff**. She suggested that 1 – 2 staff could spend between 5 – 10 minutes presenting each month. Julia noted that the Board has different positions and that **an increased understanding of MHB's funding portfolio would enable them to ask more informed questions**. Cassandra indicated that this request will be reflected in upcoming Board agenda. Trustees are interested in learning what MHB Program Staff are working on.

7. **Adjourn**
   There being no further business before the committee, Julia López made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Rob Poirier, which passed unanimously. Matt McBride noted that a vote to adjourn the meeting is not required by Roberts' Rule of Order if all agenda items are addressed. The MHB Executive Committee meeting was adjourned at 2:37 p.m.