PUBLIC NOTICE

TO:	Trustees & Other Interested Persons
FROM:	Cassandra Kaufman, Executive Director
DATE:	June 12, 2026
SUBJECT:	**Board Meeting on Thursday, June 18, 2026, at 5:45 PM, St. Louis Mental Health Board Office, 701 Market St., Suite 200, St. Louis, MO 63101 and via Zoom** https://stlmhb.zoom.us/j/86129183378?pwd=kV2wU8xtHXnSKaZJWptXxyqwyBSFQP.1 Meeting ID: 861 2918 3378 / Passcode: 859047 / One tap mobile +1(646) 558-8656

CITY OF ST. LOUIS MENTAL HEALTH BOARD OF TRUSTEES' MEETING
TENTATIVE AGENDA
June 18, 2026

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1. **Community Comments**
   Opportunity for individuals from the St. Louis community to comment on issues concerning the Community Children's Services Fund and the Community Mental Health Fund or other issues related to behavioral health needs of children and/or adults. Speakers must sign up in advance and limit comments to three minutes.

2. **Approval of the May 2026 Board Meeting Minutes**
   Trustees will vote whether to approve the meeting minutes from the last meeting held May 21, 2026. Minutes are distributed to all recipients on the MHB contact list.

3. **Resolution to Approve Code of Ethics Policy**
   Board Chair Rob Poirier will present the Resolution to approve the bi-annual Code of Ethics Policy to be filed with Missouri Ethics Commission.

4. **Resolution to Approve FY2027 Budget**
   Secretary/Treasurer and Finance – Investment Committee Chair Vander Corliss will present the resolution to approve the FY27 annual operating budget.

5. **Resolution to Approve Behavioral Health Care Team Establishment and Implementation**
   Vice Chair and Program Committee Member Julia López will present the resolution to approve the establishment and implementation of a local Behavioral Health Care Team

The Tentative Agenda was posted at the office and on the website of the MHB prior to 24 hours before the meeting of the Board of Trustees and has also been posted on the website of the City of St. Louis, MO. Agenda items may be withdrawn or modified before or during the public meeting at the discretion of the Board.

(similar in concept to MO DMH's Behavioral Health Strike Team) which can be deployed to address the behavioral health needs of city residents when disasters occur.

6. **Resolution to Approve Funding Award Transfers to Newly Merged Entity**
   Executive Director Cassandra Kaufman will present the resolution to transfer funding for the Behavioral Health Urgent Care South program from Places for People to Burrell Behavioral Health d/b/a/ Centerstone of Missouri, as a result of the merger effective July 1, 2026.

7. **Resolution to Approve No Cost Extension to Wind Down Parent Education Program**
   Vice Chair and Program Committee Member Julia López will present the resolution to approve a no cost extension for Centerstone of Missouri (Places for People) to wind down the program in FY27 after 20 years.

8. **Systems Change Proposal Status Update**
   Clinical Partnerships Director Dave Haasis, LCSW, will update Trustees on the status of the Systems Change Implementation Plan development by the Behavioral Health Network and Casa de Salud. Implementation plans will be presented to Trustees at the August 20, 2026 Board Meeting. Trustees will vote to approve implementation funding awards for both, either, or none of the plans presented at the September 17 Board Meeting.

9. **Staff Report**
   A written update on major activities and accomplishments of the staff since the last meeting of the Trustees will be distributed.

10. **Tentative Closed Session**
    Notice is hereby given that the Board of Trustees may, subject to a motion duly made and adopted, conduct a closed session, for the purpose of considering one or more of the following matters pursuant to Section 610.021(1), Revised Statutes of Missouri, and engage in proceedings to:

    (1) discuss legal actions, causes of action, litigation or privileged communications between the Board's representatives and its attorneys or auditors pursuant to Sections 610.021(1) and/or 610.021(17);
    (2) discuss matters involving the leasing, purchase, or sale of real estate, pursuant to Section 610.021(2);
    (3) discuss sealed bids and proposals, and related documents, or documents related to a negotiated contract, pursuant to Section 610.021(12); and/or
    (4) discuss hiring, firing, disciplining, or promoting particular employees pursuant to Section 610.021(3) and 610.021(13).

11. **Adjournment**
    The next meeting will be Thursday, August 20, 2026, at 5:45 PM Peabody Plaza 15th Floor Conference Room, 701 Market St., St. Louis, MO 63101.

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City of St. Louis Mental Health Board of Trustees
Minutes of the June 18, 2026 Hybrid Board Meeting

Trustee	Attendance	Trustee	Attendance
Rob Poirier, Chair	In person	Marcia Hayes-Harris	In person
Julia López, Vice Chair	Zoom	Carolyn Jackson	In person
Vander Corliss, Sec./Treas.	In person	Brian Phillips	In person
Andi Blaylock	Absent	Cassandra Pinkston	Zoom
Evanna Burkett	Zoom	Donna Schmitt	Zoom
Ronald Griffin	Zoom	Janice Thomas	Zoom
Mario Hamell	Absent		

Others Attending:
Matt McBride, General Counsel, Lashly & Baer
Cassandra Kaufman, Executive Director
Serena Muhammad, Deputy Director
MHB Staff

1a. **Call to Order** – The regular meeting of the City of St. Louis Mental Health Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:45 p.m. by Chair Rob Poirier.

1b. **Community Comments** – James Turner of STEM on Wheels addressed the board and thanked Prevention Partnership Director Lisa Potts and Early Childhood Program Director Denise Carter for providing a Mental Health First Aid training in which he participated. Andrew Shaughnessy, owner of Limitless Horizons, LLC thanked the board for their partnership over the past two years on capacity building and evaluation support projects with grantees.

2. **Approval of the May 2026 Board Minutes** – The motion to approve the May 21, 2026, meeting minutes was made by Brian Phillips, seconded by Carolyn Jackson, and passed unanimously.

3. **Resolution to Approve Code of Ethics Policy** – Board Chair Rob Poirier presented the resolution and made the motion to approve the bi-annual Code of Ethics Policy to be filed with Missouri Ethics Commission. The motion was seconded by Marcia Hayes-Harris and passed unanimously.

4. **Resolution to Approve FY2027 Budget** – Secretary/Treasurer and Finance – Investment Committee Chair Vander Corliss presented the resolution and made the motion to approve the FY27 annual operating budget. The motion was seconded by Marcia Hayes Harris with Julia López abstaining. The motion passed.

5. **Resolution to Approve Behavioral Health Care Team Establishment and Implementation** – Vice Chair and Program Committee Member Julia López presented the resolution and made the motion to approve the establishment and implementation of a local Behavioral Health Care Team (similar in concept to the Missouri Department of Mental Health's Behavioral Health Strike Team) which can be deployed to address the behavioral health needs of city residents when disasters occur. The motion was seconded by Brian Phillips and passed unanimously.

6. **Resolution to Approve Funding Award Transfers to Newly Merged Entity** – Executive Director Cassandra Kaufman presented the resolution to transfer funding for the Behavioral Health Urgent Care South program from Places for People to Burrell Behavioral Health d/b/a/ Centerstone of Missouri, as a result of the merger effective July 1, 2026. Rob Poirier made the motion which was seconded by Donna Schmitt. The motion passed unanimously.

7. **Resolution to Approve No Cost Extension to Wind Down Parent Education Program** – Vice Chair and Program Committee Member Julia López presented the resolution and made the motion to approve a no cost extension for Centerstone of Missouri (formerly Places for People) to wind down the program in FY27 after 20 years. The motion was seconded by Vander Corliss and passed unanimously.

8. **Systems Change Proposal Status Update** – Clinical Partnership Director Dave Haasis, LCSW, provided an update for the trustees on the status of the Systems Change Implementation Plan development by the Behavioral Health Network and Casa de Salud. Implementation plans will be presented to trustees at the August 20, 2026 board meeting. Trustees will vote to approve implementation funding awards for both, either, or none of the plans presented at the September 17 board meeting.

9. **Staff Report** – Executive Director Cassandra Kaufman provided a written report on the major activities and accomplishments of the staff covering the period from May 22, 2026 – June 18, 2026. The report was posted to the Trustee Portal following the meeting.

10. **Closed Session** – There was no closed session.

11. **Adjournment** – There being no further business before the board, Carolyn Jackson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Marcia Hayes-Harris. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting of the City of St. Louis Mental Health Board of Trustees adjourned at 7:01 p.m.