Community Mental Health Board of Oak Park Township
Meeting Minutes
June 16, 2026, 7:00 pm

CALL TO ORDER
President Ann Schreiner called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present:	Richard Carroll☒	Liz Raleigh ☒
	Trustee Eric Davis ☒	Jaimee Reggio ☒
	Brian Humphrey ☒	Nancy Staples ☒
	Janet Graf ☒	Ann Schreiner ☒
	Bruce McNulty ☒	

Staff Present: Laura Brookes, Associate Director of Contracts & Partnerships
Melissa Lobring, Office Administrator

Also Present: N/A

AGENDA APPROVAL
Motion: Nancy Staples moved to approve the agenda as presented and Jaimee Reggio seconded.
Vote: A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
None

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL
Motion: Bruce McNulty moved to approve the consent agenda as presented and Jaimee Reggio seconded.
Vote: A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS
Term Limits
Ann led a discussion on term limit considerations for CMHB members. Prompted by the number of strong candidates who recently applied for an open Board seat (which has not been the case historically), the Executive Committee recently discussed it being current best practice to have some rules around limits and wanted to bring the discussion to the full Board. A former member had shared his experience on another board in which there was a 3-term limit, the option of coming back to the Board later, as well as offering emeritus status for outgoing members. Given the value of institutional knowledge, CMHB also adapted a board member emeritus provision to the Bylaws a few years ago.

Board members agreed that is best practice to have some type of term limits. They discussed there being more community interest in mental health than in the past (due to visibility/success of CMHB as well as changing times of mental health awareness). The Board discussed finding the right balance of fresh ideas and experience and agreed that it takes a new board member several

years to learn the role fully. There could be caveats to modify limits, if desired. Ann mentioned that several board member terms expire over the next few years, and this would need to be considered so that several people are not leaving at once; terms are currently staggered.

The Board agreed on creating an amendment that brings term limits—specifically, three terms with the option of rejoining after taking one term off, if there is interest/need, and all current members would be grandfathered for one more term after their current term expires. Term limits will be brought forth for a vote in July.

Living Room Program Update

Laura shared statistics on NAMI's Oak Park Living Room since opening on 4/8/26. Monthly statistics are required by the Village, and NAMI is also sharing the data with CMHB. During April 2026 (the first month of data), 32 individuals were served (initial goal was 100 for the year). There was 1 voluntary hospitalization, a 44% return rate for continued services, various referrals made, and 29 diversion events. The Board inquired how diversion events are measured, who performs SUDS screenings, and what is the capacity for the Living Room (given the greater than anticipated utilization); CMHB staff will follow up. Trustee Davis also suggested monetizing diversions to share cost savings (from ER visits, etc.) with the community and expressed interest in touring the Living Room space. Board members who would like to tour the Living Room should contact CMHB staff to help arrange. Overall, the Board was impressed by the program's utilization within the short time frame and grateful for the data provided.

ACTION ITEMS

Bylaws Revision – Executive Director Performance Evaluation

Ann presented an addendum to the CMHB Bylaws to add an annual performance evaluation for the executive director under Article VIII, Section 1(a), which discusses duties of the Executive Committee. The Board proposed amending the new language to state: "…and annually conduct the performance evaluation of the executive director *with input from the Board and constituents*."

Motion: Nancy Staples moved that CMHB approve the change to the Bylaws as amended and Janet Graf seconded.

Vote: A voice vote was taken the motion was approved unanimously.

Discussion: The Board discussed adding wording to explicitly state that other board members, partners, and staff will also provide feedback on the executive director's performance.

I**NFORMATION**

- **Associate Director's Report (Brookes)**
  - CMHB will be taking an annual Board photo in July; Jaimee noted that she will not be in attendance.
  - Suicide Awareness Summit planning is in full swing, including the addition of two new partners (Cook County Public Health and Proviso Township) and promotion just starting. The event is scheduled for Friday, 9/25/26, at the Hyatt in Oak Brook.

- Village staff are presenting Phase 2 of their alternative response model during the Village Trustee meeting tonight. Cheryl is attending the meeting, as co-leader of the Alternative Calls Taskforce.
- For Mental Health Awareness Month in May, the Wednesday Journal featured two articles with Chery as well as weekly full-page ads for CMHB and partner agencies. CMHB also promoted the "Someone to Call/Someone to Respond/Somewhere to Go" campaign; this information was provided to the Oak Park Festival Theatre, who reached out to CMHB seeking resources to provide to their Hamlet audience, given the suicide subject matter in the play.

- **President's Report (Schreiner)**
  - A Day in Our Village was very well attended, and the CMHB booth had a lot of activity and engaging discussions with the community and partners. Thanks to all who attended.
  - Ann thanked board members for their open discussion on term limits.

- **Township Report (Davis)**
  Trustee Davis shared updates from the last Oak Park Township Trustee meeting on 5/26:
  - There was a proclamation recognizing Older Americans Month in May.
  - Revisions to transportation services were discussed, including types of vehicles needed (Janet requested copy of plan).
  - Trustee Davis shared an update on a project he is working on—an enhanced visitation center at Cook County Jail, which will be breaking ground next month and allow contact visits with family in a more welcoming environment.

ADJOURN
Motion: Ann Schreiner moved that CMHB adjourn the meeting and Richard Carroll seconded.
Vote: A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved.
The meeting was adjourned at 7:49 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jaimee Reggio, Secretary/Treasurer