

JO DAVIESS COUNTY
708 MENTAL HEALTH BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 10, 2025

I. Call to Order

Committee Chairperson Wiecking called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM on Wednesday, December 10, 2025 in the Jo Daviess County Board Room, Jo Daviess County Courthouse in Galena, Illinois.

II. Roll Call

Roll Call was answered as follows: Present – Lynn Gallagher, Tracy Wiecking, Gail Gabbert, Jan Kitazaki, Hollie Werner. Present: 5. Present electronically: 0. Absent – Joann Robinson, Bill Hermann. Absent: 2.

III. Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2025 708 Mental Health Board meeting was made by Lynn Gallagher and seconded by Jan Kitazaki. The motion carried by voice vote.

IV. Citizens' Comments

There were no citizens' comments.

V. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report: The October 31, 2025 Financial reports were presented for the Mental Health Fund (014). Ending fund balance was \$189,906.27.

VI. President's Report

Tracy Weicking reported that he attended the Ad-Hoc Mental Health roundtable meetings and appreciated the valuable feedback received. He also attended the Rosecrance Open House, which he described as an excellent event.

VII. Unfinished Business

None.

VIII. New Business

A motion to approve the 708 Mental Health Board meeting schedule for 2026 as corrected was made by Jan Kitazaki and seconded by Gail Gabbert. The motion carried by voice vote.

A motion to approve the FY2026 Service Provider Contract for Midwest Medical Center in the amount of \$155,000.00 was made by Hollie Werner and seconded by Gail Gabbert. The motion carried by voice vote.

A motion to approve the FY2026 Service Provider Contract for Riverview Center in the amount of \$62,000.00 was made by Jan Kitazaki and seconded by Gail Gabbert. The motion carried by voice vote.

A motion to approve the FY2026 Service Provider Contract for The Workshop in the amount of \$65,000.00 was made by Hollie Werner and seconded by Gail Gabbert. The motion carried by voice

vote.

A motion to approve the FY2026 Service Provider Contract for Tyler's Justice Center for Children in the amount of \$16,000.00 was made by Hollie Werner and seconded by Gail Gabbert. The motion carried by voice vote.

A motion to approve the FY2026 Service Provider Contract for Kreider Services in the amount of \$40,000.00 was made by Lynn Gallagher and seconded by Hollie Werner. The motion carried by voice vote.

A motion to approve the FY2026 Service Provider Contract for Sinnissippi Centers in the amount of \$10,000.00 was made by Jan Kitazaki and seconded by Gail Gabbert. The motion carried by voice vote.

A motion to approve the FY2026 Service Provider Contract for Rosecrance, Inc. in the amount of \$46,000.00 was made by Hollie Werner and seconded by Gail Gabbert. The motion carried by voice vote.

Katie Meusel, Clinic Manager at Midwest Medical Center, reviewed the quarterly reports and announced the addition of a new Nurse Practitioner now seeing patients in Galena. She noted several recent events, including a golf outing and an auxiliary tree lighting, and offered a tour of the Mental Health Clinic. Tracy Weicking will coordinate the tour with her.

Renee Dieschbourg, Clinical Director at Riverview Center, provided the quarterly update and highlighted the rollout of a new "Darkness to Light" curriculum aimed at educating adults who work with children while continuing direct work with K-12 students. She noted that Domestic Violence Awareness Month took place in October and reported ongoing efforts including the 911 cell phone bank program and the Annual Duck Derby fundraiser.

Emma Hoftender, Program Supervisor at The Workshop, presented the quarterly report and noted that the well at the Scenic Overlook Tower has failed and is awaiting replacement by the State. She reported that adventure trips have been active, with visits to locations such as the Field of Dreams and Mississippi Palisades State Park, and upcoming trips to Capri College and the movies. She added that the program is looking forward to upcoming holiday activities, including the Christmas Party, Gift Exchange, Spirit Week, and the Elks Queen of Hearts fundraiser.

Jasmine Stoewer, Executive Director and Forensic Interviewer at Tyler's Justice Center for Children, presented her quarterly report and noted that more than half of the children and families they serve are from Jo Daviess County. She highlighted current programs, including transportation assistance, gas cards, and participation in the Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault Task Force in Stephenson County. She also announced their upcoming Holiday Business After Hours event next week.

Alicia Fleege, Assistant Program Manager at Kreider Services, presented her quarterly report and noted that the organization was honored to be this year's recipient of the Galena Charity Race, raising \$4,000. She highlighted upcoming events, including Meaningful Day activities in Dixon and trips to Madison and the Quad Cities, and shared that they have applied for a \$10,000 grant from the Elks Lodge. She reported strong success with a new Sensory Bingo Night attended by over 250 people, which led to the formation of several social clubs for the deaf and blind community. Additional upcoming initiatives include the Antler Program with the Jo Daviess County Elks and a Holiday Appeal with matching Secret Santa donations.

Connie Davis of Sinnissippi Center, Inc., reported that service hours have increased over the past quarter. She noted that there were no additional updates to report at this time.

Kari Fager, Regional Director for Rosecrance Behavioral Health, reported that their new Galena location is now officially open, with an Open House held on December 4, 2025, and tours available for anyone who could not attend. She outlined the services offered, including adult and adolescent behavioral health, individual and family sessions, DUI evaluations, on-site school counseling, an intensive outpatient substance abuse program, and telepsychiatry. Rosecrance provided services to 364 individuals this past quarter.

A motion to approve the Q3 FY2025 Service Provider Reimbursement Request for Midwest Medical Center in the amount of **\$45,710.41** was made by Hollie Werner and seconded by Jan Kitazaki. The motion carried by voice vote.

A motion to approve the Q4 FY2025 Service Provider Reimbursement Request for Midwest Medical Center in the amount of **\$45,710.40** was made by Lynn Gallagher and seconded by Gail Gabbert. The motion carried by voice vote.

A motion to approve the Q4 FY2025 Service Provider Reimbursement Request for Riverview Center in the amount of **\$25,000.00** was made by Hollie Werner and seconded by Gail Gabbert. The motion carried by voice vote.

A motion to approve the Q4 FY2025 Service Provider Reimbursement Request for The Workshop in the amount of **\$25,000.00** was made by Hollie Werner and seconded by Jan Kitazaki. The motion carried by voice vote.

A motion to approve the Q4 FY2025 Service Provider Reimbursement Request for Tyler's Justice Center for Children in the amount of **\$4,000.00** was made by Gail Gabbert and seconded by Hollie Werner. The motion carried by voice vote.

A motion to approve the Q4 FY2025 Service Provider Reimbursement Request for Kreider Services, Inc. in the amount of **\$40,000.00** was made by Jan Kitazaki and seconded by Hollie Werner. The motion carried by voice vote.

A motion to approve the Q4 FY2025 Service Provider Reimbursement Request for Sinnissippi Centers, Inc. in the amount of **\$1,550.00** was made by Hollie Werner and seconded by Gail Gabbert. The motion carried by voice vote.

A motion to approve the Q4 FY2025 Service Provider Reimbursement Request for Rosecrance in the amount of **\$9,424.34** was made by Jan Kitazaki and seconded by Gail Gabbert. The motion carried by voice vote.

IX. Citizens' Comments

There were no citizens' comments.

X. Board Member Concerns

Lynn Gallagher reported attending the Rosecrance Open House and meeting representatives from Marshmallows Hope, an organization that will provide additional mental health services in the county. She also attended a four-day Mental Health America Conference in Washington, D.C., which she found highly valuable. She noted that the final Ad-Hoc Mental Health Committee meeting will be

held on December 18, 2025, at 2:00 PM, and stated her goal of completing the White Paper for presentation to the Social & Environmental Committee in January.

XI. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made at 6:22 PM by Jan Kitazaki and seconded by Gail Gabbert. Motion carried by voice vote.

Next 708 Mental Health Board meeting: Wednesday, March 11, 2026, at 5:30 PM