



**PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY
COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES BOARD**

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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT FOR THE BOARD MEETING:

James Keller, Alisa Thornton, Lisa Climer, William Carr, Bradley Marshall, Vicky Castro, Voneka Bennett, John O’Leary, Patrick Sowers

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BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT FROM THE BOARD MEETING:

Deanna Bayer

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STAFF PRESENT:

Georgia Bachman, Sherry Bowman, Gina Tamayo - Office of the Executive Director

Division Managers:

Valerie Patton – Quality Improvement; Elise Madison – Emergency Services; Tanya Odell – Youth Services; Virginia Heuple – Early Intervention Services; Michael Goodrich – Admin Services, Katanya Goswell – Community Support; Sara Wheeler – Adult Services; Robyn Fontaine – Finance; Kanchan Clark – Medical Services.

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CS Staff:

Leslie Quinteros, Antwan Evans, Tina Kavarligos, Jill Parker

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GUESTS PRESENT

Pat Victorson, NAMI
Elijah Johnson, Deputy County Executive

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PRESS PRESENT:

None

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Opening: The Regular meeting of the Community Services Board was convened on November 20, 2025, at 6:32 p.m. in the Powell’s Creek Conference Room, James J. McCoart Government Center, 1 County Complex Court, Prince William, VA.

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CITIZEN'S TIME

Ms. Pat Victorson emphasized that physical and mental health are interconnected. She noted that the county is implementing several wellness initiatives, including the Walk and Talk Wellness program. She also shared that NAMI PW plans to launch its NAMI Hearts and Minds program in January.

STAFF TIME

Sara Wheeler announced that one of the Program Managers, Tina Kavarligos graduated from the Commonwealth System Leadership Development Program, a rigorous nine-month program offered by DBHDS, and recognized this as a significant accomplishment for her.

Katanya Goswell announced that this is her last board meeting as she transitions out of her acting role after two years. She expressed her appreciation to the board members for their continued support.

Elise Madison provided an update on the CRC at Connections, noting that the program has been highly successful and has served 78 individuals to date. Of those served, 73% were referred by law enforcement, 20% were self-referrals, and 7% fell into others. Current occupancy rates are 85% for beds and 46% for recliners. The CRC is still primarily receiving first responder drop-offs and referrals from other jurisdictions.

Mr. Bradley Marshall recognized and thanked Kristin Durbin for her participation in the panel discussion at the 7th Annual Virginia Behavioral Health Criminal Law Symposium.

Mike Goodrich reported that the doors to the CS side of Worth Avenue will open on Monday, December 1, 2025.

Sherry Bowman recognized Elise Madison and the Emergency Services team for their collaboration with Connections in working to open the CS side of the CRC.

APPROVE REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE REMOTELY THROUGH ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION MEANS

RESOLUTION 25-11R1-01

MOTION: Marshall

SECOND: Carr

WHEREAS, the Community Services Board adopted a policy pursuant to § 2.2-3708.2 VA CODE ANN to allow for remote participation by Members of the Board; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Board’s policy, Mr. Patrick Sowers notified the Vice Chair that the Member is requesting permission from the Board to electronically participate at the Board’s November 20, 2025, meeting; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Patrick Sowers certified that he is unable to attend the meeting due an identified personal matter that prevents his physical presence; and

WHEREAS, the remote location from which the above member plans to electronically participate is his private home and the remote location will not be open to the public; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Patrick Sowers verified that his participation in any closed session of the meeting shall remain confidential and not be disclosed to any unauthorized persons or entities; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Board’s policy, a request for electronic participation from a remote location shall be approved unless participation violates the Board’s policy or any provision of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Community Services Board hereby approves the request to participate in the meeting through electronic communication means in accordance with the Board’s policy and a quorum of the Board was physically assembled at one primary or central location and arrangements were made for the voice of Mr. Patrick Sowers to be heard by all persons via Webex at the primary or central meeting location.

Vote:

Ayes-- Keller, Thornton, Climer, Carr, Marshall, Castro, Bennett, O’Leary

Nays--0

Abstained--

Absent During Vote--0

Absent From Meeting-- Bayer

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION 25-11R1-02

MOTION: O’Leary

SECOND: Marshall

The Prince William County Community Services Board does hereby approve the minutes of October 16, 2025.

Vote:

Ayes--Thornton, Climer, Bennett, O’Leary, Sowers
Nays--0
Abstained--Castro, Keller, Marshall, Carr
Absent During Vote--Bayer

PRESENTATION: Specialty Case Management – Tina Kavarligos

Tina Kavarligos presented an overview of the Clinical Behavioral Health Program (CBHP) Specialty Case Management services. The program serves adults 18+ with serious mental illness and/or substance use disorders and includes 32 direct providers and one peer support specialist. In FY 2025, CBHP served 1,096 unduplicated individuals. She highlighted specialized teams within CBHP, including Older Adults Mental Health, Substance Use Case Management, and Forensic Case Management, each addressing complex needs within their respective populations. Tina also noted that the team supports individuals transitioning to lower-intensity services or medication-only services as their case management needs decrease.

ACTION ITEMS

- A. RECOMMEND BOARD OF COUNTY SUPERVISORS ACCEPT, BUDGET, AND APPROPRIATE \$617,851 ONE-TIME FISCAL YEAR 2025 REVENUE AND \$565,114 ONGOING AND \$213,661 ONE-TIME FISCAL YEAR 2026 REVENUE TO RECONCILE THE COMMUNITY SERVICES BUDGET**

RESOLUTION 25-11R1-03

MOTION: Castro
SECOND: Bennett

Vote:

Ayes-- Keller, Thornton, Climer, Carr, Marshall, Castro, Bennett, O’Leary, Sowers
Nays--0
Abstained--
Absent During Vote--0
Absent From Meeting-- Bayer

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026

RESOLUTION 25-11R1-04

MOTION: Carr

SECOND: Thornton

WHEREAS, the following slate of officers for 2026 were presented by the Nominating Committee at the November 20, 2025, meeting of the Community Services Board:

John O'Leary-Chairman
Voneka Bennett-Vice Chairman
Vicky Castro-Secretary

WHEREAS, there were no nominations from the floor;

WHEREAS, the Community Services Board Members accepted the slate of officers;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Prince William County Community Services Board does hereby elect the following officers for 2026:

John O'Leary-Chairman
Voneka Bennett-Vice Chairman
Vicky Castro-Secretary

Vote:

Ayes-- Keller, Thornton, Climer, Carr, Marshall, Castro, Bennett, O'Leary

Nays--0

Abstained--

Absent During Vote--0

Absent From Meeting-- Bayer

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. The 1st Quarter Accounts Receivable Report was provided
 - B. The 1st Quarter Services Report was provided
 - C. The 1st Quarter Financial Report was provided
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OPEN ITEMS:

Mr. Bradley Marshall and Ms. Voneka Bennett will attend the January 2026 VACSB Legislative Conference.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S TIME

Ms. Bachman shared that CS continues to hear from external partners that we have set a very high bar for grand openings. She also mentioned that last week Sherry and she hosted the milestone service awards for all of CS staff, reaching a milestone this year. Additionally, she shared that CS had a very successful Fentanyl Exposed campaign and there is a new ad campaign in the works that focuses on educating parents on how to speak to their children about the dangers of opioids.

DEPUTY DIRECTOR'S TIME

Ms. Bowman shared that it has been an honor and pleasure to work with the CS Board for the past two years in her acting role and is looking forward to their continued collaboration.

BOARD MEMBERS' TIME

PATRICK SOWERS

Mr. Sowers shared that he is in Roanoke attending a housing conference and is learning and has given and received great input. He gave a kudos to Region 2 as we lead the state in placement for individuals to live independently. He thanked Katanya Goswell, Georgia Bachman, and Sherry Bowman for their hard work and collaboration for the last two years.

JAMES KELLER

Mr. Keller shared that he manages DSS for Manassas Park, he is happy to be here and looking forward to getting acclimated with the board.

ALISA THORNTON

Ms. Thornton expressed her gratitude to Pat Victorson. Additionally, she shared that she is now the Executive Director of Tavares Taylor Charities and is working closely with a CS therapist that reached out to her to obtain toys for children in her program.

LISA CLIMER

Ms. Climer thanked Sherry and Georgia for their leadership. Additionally, she shared that she and Alisa worked on the CS Holiday letter. Ms. Climer shared that each month she continues to be impressed by the CS presentations.

WILLIAM CARR

Dr. Carr thanked the presenters and Georgia and Sherry for the past two years. He congratulated them on a job that was very well done. Additionally, he welcomed Mr. James Keller and wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

BRADLEY MARSHALL

Mr. Marshall shared that the CRC Ribbon cutting was fantastic and the “A New Dawn” theme was very compelling. Additionally, he requested name tags or tee shirts for each board member so that the board members can market the agency better. Lastly, he expressed his appreciation for the presentation and welcomed Mr. James Keller to the board.

VICKY CASTRO

Ms. Castro expressed her gratitude for the presentations the board receives each month. She thanked Mike for a wonderful CRC ribbon cutting and thanked Georgia and Sherry for their time in the acting roles.

VONEKA BENNETT

Ms. Bennett welcomed Mr. James Keller. She expressed her gratitude for tonight’s presentation on the specialty case management and thanked Georgia and Sherry for the work they have done to make this a model CSB. Lastly, she wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

JOHN O’Leary

Mr. O’Leary encouraged board members to sign the CS holiday letter. He reminded the board that the Friends of Horticultural therapy will have their raffle at the December board meeting. Lastly, he thanked Georgia Bachman and Sherry Bowman for stepping up.

DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE ELIJAH JOHNSON

Mr. Johnson reported that the review team has successfully completed their evaluation on Georgia Bachman.

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION 25-11R1-05

MOTION: Sowers

SECOND: Climer

Vote:

Ayes-- Keller, Thornton, Climer, Carr, Marshall, Castro, Bennett, O’Leary, Sowers

Nays--0

Abstained--

Absent During Vote--0

Absent From Meeting-- Bayer

Adjourn time: 8:34 PM
