MINUTES
LISLE TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, September 23, 2026 at 6:45 p.m.
Lisle Library, 777 Front Street, Lisle – Meeting Room A

1. The meeting was called to order by Chair Davis at 6:45 p.m.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited
3. Roll was called by Secretary Yamanaka. **Members Present**: Alex Zubenko, Audrey Burris, Gina Sharp, Nancy Heath, Stephen Davis, Yosh Yamanaka, constituting quorum. **Members Absent**: Alexis Trocki, Ashley Kallas, Christine Carlsson. Others Present: Karen Rosenberg.

4. The Minutes of August 26, 2026 were reviewed. Member Zubenko **moved** to accept the Minutes as presented. Member Burris seconded; motion carried unanimously.
5. The Agenda was accepted as previously presented.
6. The Financials/Balance Sheet as of August 31, 2026 were presented by Chair Davis. Member Sharp questioned why the "unspent grant funds" seemed to have increase by $100,000 from the budget estimate. Member Yamanaka suggested that the acceptance of the Balance Sheet be postponed until Chair Davis obtained some clarification.

7. Public Comment: Karen Rosenberg announced that NAMI's Living Room in Wheaton is now open 24/7 year-around staffed with a CRSS and RSS since Sept. 1st. The public is invited to their Grand Opening on Wednesday, September 30th from noon until 2 p.m.

8a. We discussed the acceptance and publication of the Annual Report (FY 25-26). Member Sharp **moved** to accept the Annual Report for publication. Chair Davis seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

8b. We discussed accepting the Annual Budget for publication. Several members suggested replacing "Annual Budget" with "Year-End Financial Report." Member Zubenko **moved** to accept the Year-End Financial Report. Motion seconded by Chair Davis; the motion carried unanimously.

9. We discussed the one-year and three-year Strategic Plans; Member Zubenko felt that the documents needed reworking. Members Heath, Sharp and Yamanaka will work with Member Carlsson to re-write the Strategic Plans.

10. The Committee on Agency Reporting Guidelines presented examples of what Alive Center and BenU would be required to file each reporting period. Member Burris pointed out that such guidelines will streamline the process for both the agencies and our Grant Administrator. The Board agreed that we should proceed with such reporting formats.
11. After discussion, Member Zubenko **moved** that we purchase a one-year license from Perplexity.ai for $200. Member Heath agreed to purchase the license and compare the output with that of ChatGPT. She will be reimbursed $200 for purchase of the license.

12. Old business:
    a) Chair Davis encountered problems posting the 708 Board vacancy notice on the FB page set up by Lisa Rose. Member Burris suggested alternatives such as Pathfinder. Another possibility is coordinating with Nina Menis to reach out to the schools. Chair Davis suggesting posting in the Daily Herald. Member Burris suggested hiring an Operations Administrator to handle
    b) Member Zubenko interviewed intern Christoper Reynoso at BenU. Chris has admirable ideals of preferring to help others rather than chasing the money.

13. New business: We need to submit a Budget for ’26-’27. We need to submit a tax levy request to the Township in December. We need to discuss changing our Fiscal Year.
14. New candidates to serve on our 708 Board, none. The terms for Members Burris, Sharp, Yamanaka, and Zubenko will be ending in December. It is also likely that Member Carlsson will be leaving the Board this year. Thus, we are in a quandry about having sufficient members on the 708 Board when we convene in January.
15. Public Comment & Board Member Comment:
    The Kids Matter Gala will be this Saturday.
    Pinkey Stewart participated in DuPage Pads’ “Rock & Bowl” and her team came in second place.
    Karen Rosenberg cautioned the Board about using the term “Preventive Care” because MH problems usually involve brain chemistry, not “prevention.”
    Member Yamanaka urged that the Board change its fiscal year to July 1.

16. No Executive Session.
17. Member Burris **moved** to Adjourn at 8:20. Chair Davis seconded and the motion carried unanimously.