

## Community Services Committee Meeting Minutes

Productive Living Board

April 29, 2026

### Attendance

#### Present:

Members: Jasmine Chen, Curt Ittner, Lou Brock, Dave Herman, Lauri Koster

Staff: Becky Herschbach – Executive Director; Don Kaufmann – Director of Finance and Administration; Amy Meyer – Director of Agency and Community Relations

#### I. Call to Order

A quorum was present and due notice had been published.

Ms. Chen called the meeting to order at approximately 2:30 p.m.

#### II. Board Action Items

##### A. FY'27 Proposed Funds and Community Services Overview

Ms. Herschbach discussed the annual processes and activities that are used in preparing the funding recommendations. Ms. Meyer reviewed the proposed investments, including the FY'27 service updates. Ms. Meyer and agency representatives answered questions from the Committee. Mr. Kaufmann reviewed the PLB Fiscal Policy, which guides how funds are allocated.

##### B. Community Services FY'27 Funding Recommendations

###### 1. Community Living FY'27 Services

Mr. Ittner moved that the Community Services Committee approve the FY'27 appropriations and associated conditions for the Community Living services, from the Unassigned Fund for a total amount not to exceed \$5,500,212. Mr. Herman seconded the motion.

Ms. Meyer provided an overview of the Community Living services and answered questions from the Committee.

The motion passed unanimously.

###### 2. Community Integration FY'27 Services

Mr. Brock moved that the Community Services Committee approve the FY'27 appropriations and associated conditions for the Community Integration services, from the Unassigned Fund for a total amount not to exceed \$2,897,634. Ms. Koster seconded the motion.

Ms. Meyer provided an overview of the Community Integration services. Ms. Meyer and agency representatives answered questions from the Committee.

The motion passed unanimously.

###### 3. Professional Services FY'27 Services

Mr. Herman moved that the Community Services Committee approve the FY'27 appropriations and associated conditions for Professional Services, from the Unassigned Fund for a total amount not to exceed \$910,639. Ms. Koster seconded the motion.

Ms. Meyer provided an overview of Professional Services.

The motion passed unanimously.

4. Support Systems FY'27 Services

Ms. Koster moved that the Community Services Committee approve the FY'27 appropriations and associated conditions for the Support Systems services, from the Unassigned Fund for a total amount not to exceed \$7,719,735. Mr. Herman seconded the motion.

Ms. Meyer provided an overview of the Support Systems services.

The motion passed unanimously.

5. Community Transportation FY'27 Services

Mr. Brock moved that the Community Services Committee approve the FY'27 appropriations and associated conditions for the Community Transportation services, from the Unassigned Fund for a total amount not to exceed \$188,914. Mr. Herman seconded the motion.

Ms. Meyer provided an overview of the Community Transportation services. Ms. Meyer and agency representatives answered questions from the Committee.

The motion passed unanimously.

6. Agency Supports FY'27 Services

Mr. Ittner moved that the Community Services Committee approve the FY'27 appropriations and associated conditions for the Agency Supports services, from the Unassigned Fund for a total amount not to exceed \$2,536,221. Mr. Brock seconded the motion.

Ms. Meyer provided an overview of the Agency Supports services. Ms. Meyer and agency representatives answered questions from the Committee.

The motion passed unanimously.

C. Independent Supported Living Assistance (ISLA) Request for Additional FY'27 Funding

1. Sunnyhill Request for Assigned Funds

Mr. Herman moved that the Community Services Committee approve an additional appropriation for Sunnyhill PLB Service #1086/36 in an amount not to exceed \$16,539 for FY'26 from the ISLA Assigned Fund

for a revised FY'26 total appropriation of \$2,019,934. Mr. Brock seconded the motion.

Ms. Meyer discussed the funding request.

The motion passed unanimously.

2. Bridges Request for Assigned Funds

Ms. Koster moved that the Community Services Committee approve an additional appropriation for Bridges PLB Service #1320/36 in an amount not to exceed \$34,717 for FY'26 from the ISLA Assigned Fund for a revised FY'26 total appropriation of \$109,379. Mr. Herman seconded the motion.

Ms. Meyer discussed the funding request.

The motion passed unanimously.

D. Easterseals Midwest Funds Transfer

Mr. Brock moved that the Community Services Committee approve a transfer of funds from Autism Groups, PLB Service #4048/10 in an amount not to exceed \$66,888 to In-Home Supports, PLB Service #2003/12 for FY'26. The revised FY'26 appropriations for Autism Groups will be \$167,220 and In-Home Supports will be \$410,322. Ms. Koster seconded the request.

Ms. Meyer discussed the funding request.

The motion passed unanimously.

III. New Business

There being no further business before the Committee, the Community Services Committee adjourned at approximately 3:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Becky Herschbach  
Executive Director

As recorded by Jill Zeller, Manager of Executive Projects and Board Relations.

The above minutes were reviewed and approved by Jasmine Chen, Community Services Committee Chairperson.