



**Indiana Protection & Advocacy Services Commission  
Indiana Disability Rights  
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**Mental Health Advisory Council – MHAC**

**Public Meeting Date: Wednesday, May 14, 2025 –  
12:30pm (ET)  
Meeting Minutes**

**MHAC Member Attendees:** R. Vilensky, M. McGuire, L. Rhody, S. Moore, T. Oakerson, N. Beeman-Cadwallader, J. Albeiz-Dobranksy, J. Loop-Miller, R. Wilson. **MHAC Members Absent:** A. Musters, C. Thomas.

**IDR Attendees:** M. Keyes, E. Munson, S. Adams, J. Heinz, M. Wickham, D. Morris. **IDR Legal Interns:** M. Trivedi, A. Gaisser.

- I. Call to Order – R. Vilensky, MHAC Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:32pm (ET).
- II. Introductions – Introductions were made by meeting attendees.
- III. Changes to Agenda, if any – No changes to the agenda were noted.
- IV. Approval of Minutes from: February 19, 2025 Meeting – R. Vilensky asked if there were any questions/comments or changes to the minutes. None noted. She asked for a motion to approve minutes. R. Wilson motioned that the February 19, 2025 minutes be approved; L. Rhody seconded the motion. Motion carried approving minutes from 2/19/25 meeting by unanimous voice vote.
- V. Reports:
  - A. Membership\*
    - a. Both R. Vilensky and T. Oakerson MHAC terms expire in August 2025.
    - b. There are currently three vacancies on the Council which includes N. Beeman-Cadwallader, who is moving out of state. Today is her last Council meeting.
    - c. Molly McGuire – R. Vilensky asked for a motion to appoint Molly McGuire to the Council. R. Wilson motioned to appoint Molly McGuire to the Council; T. Oakerson seconded the motion. Motion carried appointing Molly McGuire to the MHAC, effective immediately. Members agreed to wait until the August meeting to vote on the appointment of A. Westerfield.
  - B. ED Report/Quarterly Report (M. Keyes) – M. Keyes shared highlights from the Quarterly Report.
- VI. Old Business:
  - A. Legislative Session Wrap-up (E. Munson) – E. Munson referred members to the packet she distributed which contained highlighted updates on various bills of interest to the Commission. E. Munson stated she will provide L. Rhody a copy of SB2, as requested.

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VII. New Business:

- A. Officer Elections (Chair, Vice Chair) (R. Vilensky) – R. Vilensky stated that elections will be held at the August meeting and anyone interested should contact either her or M. Keyes.
- B. Purple Book Update (M. Wickham) – M. Wickham reviewed with members the revisions to the Purple Book. T. Frayer shared some responses she has received on the Purple Book.
- C. Texas v. Kennedy Update (S. Adams) – S. Adams gave an overview on the details of this lawsuit.

VIII. Comments, other business, announcements: N/A

IX. Next Meeting Date: **Wednesday, August 20, 2025**

X. Meeting Adjournment: R. Vilensky motioned to adjourn the meeting; L. Rhody seconded the motion. Motion carried to adjourn meeting by unanimous voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 1:57pm (ET).

\*Voting Items

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