

ROSS COUNTY BOARD OF DD FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

05/02/2025 at 8:30AM

Meeting Location – Pioneer Center 167 W. Main St.

RCBDD Mission Statement:

Improving lives by supporting choices of people through community partnerships and quality services.

Agenda Topics

- Call to Order 8:30

Roll Call:

_____Randi Uhrig _____ Katie Guba

New Business

- A.** Operating Budget
- B.** 10-Year Cost Projection and Cash Estimate
- C.** Salary by Program with COLA Projection
- D.** Residential Fund Budget

Motion to Adjourn.

**ROSS COUNTY BOARD OF
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**
Finance Committee Meeting

May 2, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL: Board members in attendance were Randi Uhrig, Katie Guba, and Dan Riddle.

A. Operating Budget –

- The Finance Committee was informed that we will receive our first payment in lieu of taxes from the solar farm, totaling \$230,000. These funds will be allocated to the levy fund.
- It was also noted that the OHMAS Youth Resiliency Funding, which is one-time revenue of \$750,000, will fall off the revenue schedule in 2026.
- Additionally, personnel costs are projected to rise, with an estimated 8% increase in insurance expenses and a 3% cost-of-living adjustment.
- The Finance Committee reviewed the significant increase in waiver matches, which rose from \$2.6 million in 2023 to \$4.1 million in 2024. This increase is a result of the Statehouse-approved budget supporting Direct Support Professional (DSP) rate increases and is not expected to recur annually. Jared Halm and Greg Williamson are currently exploring alternative strategies to reduce waiver-related expenses.
- Contracted service fees will see a reduction, specifically due to the discontinuation of payments to adult day service providers for compliance and training. This change will not impact services delivered by adult day providers.
- The Finance Committee will recommend approving the operating budget as presented to the board for approval.

B. 10-Year Cost Projection and Cash Estimate – The Finance Committee discussed the strategic use of planned deficit spending to responsibly draw down the current large cash reserve. Projections indicate that, if current conditions persist, the cash balance will be approximately \$8.7 million by 2026. At that point, the goal is to begin increasing revenue through levy funding to ensure long-term financial sustainability.

C. Salary by Program with COLA Projection – Occupational therapy figures have been updated to reflect recent staffing adjustments. The Finance Committee also reviewed cost-of-living (COLA) increases for the period of 2018–2022. The Finance Committee will recommend approving the salary by program with COLA projection as presented to the board for approval.

- D. Residential Fund Budget** – Operating cash is transferred into this budget on an as-needed basis, with efforts made to maintain a consistent balance over time. The Finance Committee will recommend approving the residential fund budget as presented to the board for approval.
- E. Additional New Business** – Jared Halm presented the departmental budget breakdown for 2026 and reviewed key details with the Finance Committee.