

**Committee on Rural Health
Meeting Minutes
10/21/2025 10:00 – 11:00 AM CST**

Attendees:

- **APA Staff:** Maddie Boening, Connie Galietti (absent), Aliza Epstein, Andrew Strickland
- **CRH Committee:** Tess Kilwein, Douglas Knutson, Christianne Connelly, Mary Louise Cashel, Ashley Norwood, Reed Maxwell, Christine McKibbin, Royleen Ross, Calista Kern-Lyons
- **Guests:** Mary Ann McCabe (BOD Liaison), Emily Selby-Nelson (Division 31 Rural Health Section Liaison)

NEW BUSINESS:

- (Exciting!) APA Staffing Update – Maddie is our formal staff liaison!
- Needs Assessment Final Report – Douglas
 - Feedback received from APA's Office of General Counsel. CRH has one outstanding question for OGC regarding their feedback.
- CRH Elections
 - 2026 election results
 - I: Tess M. Kilwein
 - II: Ashley Norwood Strickland
 - III: Chelsea R. Wallen – to be invited to December meeting
 - CRH executive officer elections to be held in November
 - Maddie will send a call for nominations for 2026 Chair and Vice Chair. Maddie will confirm nominees and send a ballot for voting to CRH members on 11/13.
 - 2027 slates – applications open December 1st
 - Mary Louise joining BOD as CLT in January
- 2026 Workplan was finalized and submitted by November deadline.
 - Monitor on Psychology (Tess)
 - Rural Health Competency
 - School-Based Services
 - APA COR Rural Health Caucus NBI – anticipated lead referral group (All)
 - Education Subcommittee Item – Liveable toolkit
- APA Consolidated Meeting in D.C. – March 13-14
- Billing (Christianne) - Deferred

ONGOING BUSINESS:

- [APA Washington Update highlighting factsheet](#)
- Subcommittees/Liaison Updates
 - [Healthcare Financing Advisory Group](#) (Christianne)
 - Rural Mental Health Needs Assessment (Douglas, Mary Louise, Calista)
 - Education Subcommittee (Ashley, Christianne, Reed, Christine, Royleen, Calista, Emily)

Next CRH Full Committee Meeting: 11/18/2025 at 10:00 AM CST