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## Oklahoma Association of Youth Services Board Agenda

May 7, 2025

10:00 a.m.

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1. Call to order and introduction of guests
2. Roll call/establish quorum
3. Discussion or possible action to approve Board Meeting Minutes for April 26, 2025
4. Discussion or possible action to approve items on the Treasurer's Report
  - i. March Financials
  - ii. YE2024 Audit
5. Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the President's Report
  - i. Board Retreat/Strategic Plan
6. Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the Executive Director's Report
7. Discussion or possible action to approve Peer Reviews
  - i. Hobart
  - ii. Guthrie
  - iii. Street School

- iv. Claremore
- v. Bartlesville
- vi. El Reno
- vii. Okmulgee/Okfuskee
- viii. Pivot
- ix. Woodward
- x. Youth Services of Tulsa
- xi. Edmond
- xii. Norman
- xiii. Choctaw
- xiv. Alva
- xv. Ponca City
- xvi. Moore
- xvii. Clinton
- xviii. Wewoka
- xix. Vinita

8. New business not known at the time of posting this agenda

9. Adjourn



**Oklahoma Association of Youth Services, Inc.  
Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes  
April 2, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.**

A virtual meeting was held for the Board of Directors of the Oklahoma Association of Youth Services and is being held in accordance with the Oklahoma Association of Youth Services Bylaws

1. Call to order and introduction of guests

The meeting was called to order by President Herb McSpadden at 10:11 a.m.

- a. Guest Greg Delaney, Deputy Director of Juvenile Services for the Office of Juvenile Affairs joined the meeting. Mr. Delaney discussed his desire for collaborations with YSA's to provide juveniles in detention with services, during and after care.

2. Roll call/establish quorum

- a. Roll call / establish quorum: Herb McSpadden, John Schneider, Courtney Dukes, Jana Emerson, Brenda Rose, Shanna Rice, Yolanda Cummings, Darla Cheek, Wendy Swatek, and Kody Suanny were present.

**Quorum Established**

3. Discussion or possible action to approve Board Meeting Minutes for March 5, 2025

- a. A motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes for March 5, 2025 was made by John Schneider. A second motion made by Brenda Rose. **Motion passed unanimously.**

4. Discussion or possible action to approve items on the Treasurer's Report

i. February Financials

- a. Kody Suanny made a motion to approve the February financials as presented. A second motion made by Brenda Rose.

**Motion passed unanimously.**

5. Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the President's Report

- a. Herb McSpadden declined to report and stated it would be included in the Executive Director's report that Dr. Messiah would present.

6. Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the Executive Director's Report

- a. Dr. Messiah reported himself and the identified committee met with OJA to discuss the State Plan and provide feedback as discussed in the March membership meeting. Dr. Messiah provided the talking points that were addressed.
- b. Dr. Messiah provided an update regarding the DHS funding used for In-Step supplemental payments.
- c. Wendy Swatek made a motion to authorize Dr. Messiah to move forward with communication with DHS and OJA leadership as necessary, regarding the DHS supplemental funding. Shanna Rice seconded the motion.  
**Motion passed unanimously.**

7. Discussion and/or possible action to approve Peer Reviews

- i. Sallisaw
- ii. Poteau
- iii. Durant

- a. Shanna Rice made a motion to approve the presented Peer Reviews. Darla Cheek seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

8. New business not known at the time of posting this agenda

- a. No new business to report

9. Adjourn

- a. Meeting adjourned at 11:13 a.m.



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## Oklahoma Association of Youth Services Membership Meeting Agenda

**May 7, 2025**

Immediately following the Board of Director's meeting scheduled for 10:00 a.m.  
that same day

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1. Call to order and introduction of guests
2. Roll call/establish quorum
3. Discussion and/or possible action to approve April 2, 2025, special membership meeting minutes
4. Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the Legislative Committee report
5. Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the Strategic Development Committee report
6. Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the proposed State Plan
7. Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the Program Committee's report
8. Cluster Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the Coordinator Report
9. Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the cluster reports
10. Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the President's report

11. Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the Executive Director's report
12. New business not known at the time of posting this agenda
13. Adjourn





**Oklahoma Association of Youth Services, Inc.**  
**Membership Meeting Minutes**  
**April 2, 2025**  
**Immediately following the Board of Directors meeting**  
**scheduled for 10:00 a.m**

A virtual meeting was held for the membership of the Oklahoma Association of Youth Services and is being held in accordance with the Oklahoma Association of Youth Services Bylaws

1. Call to order and introduction of guests

The meeting was called to order by Herb McSpadden at 11:26 a.m.

- a. Shari Thurman, Prevention Specialist with Rogers County Youth Services, presented information on the DBT Skills program.

2. Roll call/establish quorum

- a. 25 members present. **Quorum Established**

3. Discussion and/or possible action to approve March 12, 2025 special membership meeting minutes.

- a. Shanna Rice made a motion to approve the Membership Meeting minutes from March 12, 2025. John Schneider made a second motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

4. Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the Legislative Committee report

- a. Dr. Messiah reported due to the State Plan negotiations, the Legislative Reception was postponed to a later date. Dr. Messiah expressed the importance of engaging with local legislators during this time of state and federal changes.

5. Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on Strategic Development Committee report

- a. Herb McSpadden reported the committee had not met due to the focus primarily on the State Plan at this time.

6. Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the Program Committee's report

- a. Sheila Stinnett reported the committee has worked to provide great training opportunities at the June Annual meeting and a schedule of the training opportunities will be out soon. The committee discussed how the State Plan could affect YSA programs.

7. Cluster Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the Coordinator Report

- a. Kody Suanny thanked the Cluster Reps for their efficient work on communicating with their clusters and receiving feedback on the state plan.

8. Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the cluster reports

- a. Jana Emerson reported the Northeast cluster did not meet in March but would be visiting Creek County YS for the April meeting.
- b. Ryan Esselstrom reported the Southeast cluster met twice and discussed the State Plan.
- c. Shanna Rice reported the Southwest cluster has a meeting scheduled in April.
- d. Brenda Rose reported the cluster met and discussed the state plan and sent cluster feedback to Herb and Kody.
- e. Central cluster did not have a report.

9. Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the President's report

- a. Herb McSpadden had no further report

10. Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the Executive Director's report

- a. Dr. Messiah reported he is excited about the learning opportunities offered in June and presented the training schedule.

11. New business not known at the time of posting this agenda

- a. No business to report

12. Adjourn

- a. The meeting was adjourned at 12:21 p.m.