



**The Oklahoma Association of Youth Services  
Board of Directors and Membership Meetings**

**August 6, 2025**

**10:00 a.m.**

**Membership Meeting Immediately Following**

**The Oklahoma Center for Nonprofits  
701 N Lindsay Ave  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
73104**

A meeting has been scheduled 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.



**Oklahoma Association of Youth Services, Inc.  
Board of Directors' Meeting Agenda  
September 3, 2025  
10:00 a.m.**

**The Oklahoma Center for Nonprofits  
701 N Lindsay Ave  
Oklahoma City, OK 73104**

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Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85805131240>

Both the agenda and minutes from this meeting will be available on the OAYS website ([www.oays.org](http://www.oays.org)) following the meeting.

1. Call to order and introduction of guests
2. Roll call/establish quorum
3. Discussion or possible action to approve Board Meeting Minutes for August 6, 2025
4. Discussion or possible action regarding the Treasurer's Report
5. Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the President's Report
6. Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the Executive Director's Report
7. New business not known at the time of posting this agenda
8. Adjourn



**Oklahoma Association of Youth Services, Inc.  
Membership Meeting Agenda  
September 3, 2025**

**Immediately Following**

**The Oklahoma Association of Youth Services Board of Directors' 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 the June 23, 2025, Membership Meeting minutes
4. Committee Reports
  - a. Discussion or possible action regarding the Strategic Development Committee Report
  - b. Discussion or possible action regarding the Legislative Committee Report
  - c. Discussion or possible action regarding the Programs Committee Report
  - d. Discussion or possible action regarding the Counselor Call Report
  - e. Discussion or possible action regarding the Shelter Committee Report
  - f. Discussion or possible action regarding the Cluster Committee Report

- i. Central
- ii. Northwest
- iii. Northeast
- iv. Southeast

- 5. Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the President's Report
- 6. Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the Executive Director's Report
- 7. New business not known at the time of posting this agenda
- 8. Adjourn



**Oklahoma Association of Youth Services, Inc.  
Board of Directors' Meeting Agenda  
August 6, 2025 @ 10:00 a.m.**

**The Archdiocese of Oklahoma City  
1232 North Classen Boulevard  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 73106  
Chickasaw Rooms A&B**

A 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 Kody Suanny at 10:05 a.m.

Guest in attendance was Timothy Tardibono, OJA Executive Director

- a. Director Tardibono spoke about good working relationships between OJA and OAYS. Jennifer Francis will be the point of contact for YSA's.

**2. Roll call/establish quorum**

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

**Quorum Established**

**3. Discussion or possible action to approve Board Meeting Minutes for the special board meeting held on July 23, 2025**

- a. Motion to approve Board Meeting Minutes for July 23, 2025  
Motion made by Darla Cheek. Second by Yolanda Cummings. Wendy Swatek, Shanna Rice, and Jana Emerson abstained due to not being in attendance.

**The motion passed.**

**4. Special agency spotlight presentation: ROCMND**

- a. Rusty Rankin spoke about the Welch Skill Center and all the improvements that have been made to the group home to include painting, flooring, and landscaping. The boys were part of the renovation process and learned life skills and trades they can use in the future.

**5. Special ARPA Spotlight: Marie Detty**

- a. Kerrie Mathews presented the new Shelter and Marie Detty Headquarters being built in Lawton with the ARPA funds they were awarded.

6. Discussion or possible action regarding the Treasurer's Report

a. Darla Cheek presented the July financials.

A motion to approve the July financials was made by Herb McSpadden. A second motion was made by Courtney Dukes.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

7. Committee Reports

a. Discussion or possible action regarding the Strategic Development Committee Report

i. OAYS Strategic Planning Retreat Update

Herb McSpadden spoke about community assessments and data collection to assist all YSA's with future funding requests.

b. Discussion or possible action regarding the Legislative Committee Report

i. John Schnieder talked about planning a Legislative Forum for the September meeting and creating an agenda to focus on during the upcoming legislative session.

c. Discussion or possible action regarding the Programs Committee Report

i. Sheila Stinnet spoke on the importance of quality and beneficial training for quarterly meetings and utilizing agency staff that are experts on subject matter as trainers.

d. Discussion or possible action regarding the Counselor Call Report

i. Shanna Rice will continue providing content during counselor calls that is relevant to current needs, provides CEU's, and offers Therapeutic Tools.

e. Discussion or possible action regarding the Shelter Committee Report

i. John Schnieder, Yolanda Cummings, and Kerrie Mathews will offer support during shelter calls.

f. Discussion or possible action regarding the Cluster Committee Report

Courtney Dukes shared how she will support Clusters Reps moving forward.

i. Central

Wendy Swatek reported on challenges with funding and how immigration status is a barrier for access to services.

ii. Northwest

Brenda Rose reported that agencies in the Northwest Cluster have completed CARF accreditation.

iii. Northeast

Jana Emerson reported that they will continue visiting agencies in their cluster throughout the next year.

iv. Southeast

Yolanda Cummings reported on the recent ribbon cutting in Poteau.

v. Southwest

Shanna Rice reported on successful summer programming and back to school activities in the Southwest Cluster. ElReno will be having a ribbon cutting for their completed ARPA project in the next few months.

8. Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the President's Report
- a. Kody Suanny talked about the importance and value of being a member of OAYS.

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

- a. Dr. Messiah spoke about partnerships and funding.
- b. He gave updates and presented changes on the OAYS website.
- c. He outlined the TSET Successful Future workplan and new requirements for FY26.
- d. He reported on tours of venues for the 50th Anniversary Celebration in December.

A motion for Peter to make the decision on the venue for the December Quarterly meeting was made by Wendy Swatek. Second by Shanna Rice.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

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

- a. None

12. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 12:21 p.m.