



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

**April 1, 2026**

**10:00 a.m.**

**Membership Meeting Immediately Following**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85805131240>

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Board of Directors' Meeting Agenda  
April 1, 2026  
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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 March 4, 2026
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.**  
**Board of Directors' Meeting Agenda**  
**March 4, 2026**  
**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.  
No guests present.

2. Roll call/establish quorum

- a. Kody Suanny, Courtney Dukes, Kerrie Mathews, Darla Cheek, Herb McSpadden, Brenda Rose, Jana Emerson, Yolanda Cummings, and Wendy Swatek were present. Shanna Rice was absent.

**Quorum Established**

3. Discussion or possible action to approve Board Meeting Minutes for February 4, 2026

- a. Motion to approve Board Meeting Minutes for January 7, 2026.  
Motion made by Darla Cheek. Second by Yolanda Cummings.

**The motion passed.**

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

- a. Current financials were presented and reviewed.
- b. A motion to approve the current financials was made by Brenda Rose. A second was made by Janna Emerson.

**The motion passed.**

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

Kody gave a report during the membership meeting. No new updates.

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

- i. Peter Messiah reported on his work with YFS boards and agencies that requested assistance with website updates and enhancement.
- ii. Peer Review Submitted for (1) Shawnee YS (2) Norman YS  
Motion made to accept by Courtney Dukes. Second by Janna Emerson.

**The motion passed.**

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

No new business.

8. Adjourn - The meeting adjourned at 11:28 am





**Oklahoma Association of Youth Services, Inc.  
Membership Meeting Agenda  
April 1, 2026**

**Immediately Following**

**The Board of Directors Meeting Scheduled for 10:00 a.m. that Same Day**

A meeting has been scheduled for the Membership of the Oklahoma Association of Youth Services and is being held in accordance with the Oklahoma Association of Youth Services Bylaws. The meeting can be virtually accessed by joining the following Zoom link:

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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 February 4, 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
    - i. Discussion Regarding SB1570
  - 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
    - v. Southwest

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



**Oklahoma Association of Youth Services,  
Inc.**

**Membership Meeting Minutes  
March 4, 2026**

A hybrid Membership Meeting was held for the membership of the Oklahoma Association of Youth Services and was being held in accordance with the Oklahoma Association of Youth Services Bylaws.

1. Call to order and introduction of guests

- a. The meeting was called to order by Kody Suanny at 10:01 a.m.  
Guests present were Katy Fever, OJA Legislative Liaison and Jennifer Francis, OJA Deputy Chief of Operations

2. Roll call/establish quorum.

- a. 27 members present.

**Quorum Established**

3. Discussion and/or possible action to approve the February 4, 2026 Membership Meeting minutes

- a. Courtney Dukes made a motion to approve the Membership Meeting minutes from February 4, 2026. Yolanda Cummings second.

**Motion passed.**

4. Committee Reports

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

Continuing to work in conjunction with the Legislative Committee.

- b. Discussion or possible action regarding the Legislative Committee Report  
John Schneider reported that the legislative and strategic development committee continue to work together. Time was taken for membership to discuss bills to follow, ways to strengthen collaboration, and be seen as leaders in prevention work.

- c. Discussion or possible action regarding the Programs Committee Report  
Continuing to work on the training schedule for all YSA's.

- d. Discussion or possible action regarding the Counselor Call Report  
Last Counselor call offered 2 CEU's through online training and the committee is looking to expand for more opportunities.

- e. Discussion or possible action regarding the Shelter Committee Report  
Shelters discussed Safe Places, DHS workers, and gave feedback over updated hotline process.

- f. Discussion or possible action regarding the Cluster Committee Report
  - i. Central - rates discussion, survey questions and set next meeting
  - ii. Northwest - completion of survey, Senate Bills, and agency updates

- iii. Northeast - Met in Vinita, discussed the survey and collaboration
- iv. Southeast - discussed OAYS ED upcoming evaluation
- v. Southwest - fundraising events, impact of clients success, and ARPA project completion dates

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

- i. Nomination of Officers (Executive Committee and Cluster Reps)
- ii. No additional nominations were made and the slate of officers presented were as follows:

**Past President**-Kody Suanny, **President**- Courtney Dukes, **Vice President** - Jim Harris, **Secretary** - Kerrie Mathews, **Treasurer** - Shanna Rice, **SE Cluster Rep**- Yolanda Cummings, **Central Cluster Rep**- Amara Letts, **SW Cluster Rep**-Mindy Bellack, **NE Cluster Rep**-Jana Emerson, **NW Cluster Rep** - Brenda Rose  
Motion made by John Schnieder to accept the slate as presented. Second by Sheila. **Motion Passed**

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

Kody Suanny reported there are four months left in the OJA contract and how times are busy with agencies and accreditations. She reminded everyone to send any training requests for the June Annual Meeting.

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

Peter Messiah took the time to thank the past board and welcome the new FY27 board members. He reported on the upcoming June Annual meeting.

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

Amara Letts made the suggestion for a data and outcomes committee.

9. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 11:17 am