

Oklahoma Association of Youth Services, Inc.
Membership Meeting Minutes
May 4, 2022
1:00 p.m. (Board Meeting Immediately Followed)

A virtual meeting was scheduled for the Membership of the Oklahoma Association of Youth Services and held in accordance with the Oklahoma Association of Youth Services Bylaws.

The agenda from this meeting is available on the OAYS website (www.oays.org)

1. Call to order and introduction of guests: President Rice called the meeting to order at 1:14p.m. and recognized Laura Broyles and Amanda Leonhart from the Office of Juvenile Affairs.
2. Roll call/establish quorum. Agencies representatives present included: John Schneider (Youth and Family, Inc.), Kody Suanny (Great Plains Youth and Family Services, Inc.), Wendy Swatek (Crossroads Youth and Family Services, Inc.), Jerry Beech(Multi-County Youth Services Center, Inc.), Terri Krebs (LeFlore County Youth Services, Inc.), Greg Contreras (Youth Emergency Shelter, Inc.), Kerrie Matthews (Marie Detty Youth and Family Services Center, Inc.), David Grewe (Youth Services of Tulsa, Inc.), Lisa Williams (Moore Youth and Family Services, Inc.), Brenda Rose (Northwest Family Services, Inc.), Jennifer Goodrich (Pivot, Inc.), Kristy Cusher (Youth Emergency Shelter, Inc.), Darla Cheek (Mid-Del Youth and Family Center Inc.), Beverly Washington(Youth & Family Services for Hughes/Seminole Counties, Inc.), William Alexander (Logan Community Services, Inc.), Janet Fultz (Payne County Youth Services), Jessica Martinez (Panhandle Services for Children, Inc.), Brandy Krohn (Choctaw/Pushmataha County Youth Services, Inc.), Herb McSpadden (Rogers County Youth Services, Inc.), Katie Wilson (Youth and Family Services of Washington County, Inc.), Lori McGinnis (Street School, Inc.), Crystal Stimac (People, Inc.), Shanna Rice (Southwest Youth and Family Services, Inc.), Courtney Dukes (Youth Services of Bryan County, Inc.). **Quorum was established.**
3. Discussion and/or possible action to approve Membership Minutes, March 31, 2022. Motion: Kody Suanny Second: Tree Kelley. Abstentions: John Schneider. Nays: None. **Motion passes.**
4. Cluster Meeting Reports
 - A. Central Cluster: Darla cheek discussed the Central Cluster's meeting successes including CARF. They discussed the need for counselors as well as having questions regarding CATS expectations.
 - B. Northeast Cluster: Erin Brooks reported that she would set up a meeting in June.
 - C. Northwest Cluster: Brenda Rose discussed CARF accreditation schedules and successes throughout agencies.

- D. Southeast Cluster: Terri Krebs discussed that there was not an official meeting, but that CARF was discussed through phone calls and that CATS expectations were questioned.
 - E. Southwest Cluster: Kody Suanny discussed the cluster's CARF accreditation and that Mindy Bellack's agency received their first-time accreditation. She also discussed legislative Day at the Capitol. She also discussed Managed Care workforce issues (not enough counselors). They also questioned CATS and OJA proposed rates.
5. Discussion and/or possible action to approve ARPA Committee Report. Herb discussed that there was no new movement regarding ARPA requests. He will keep membership updated as new information arises.
 6. Discussion and/or possible action to approve Legislative Committee Report. John Schneider reported that the committee has been busy meeting on a weekly basis. He recognized OAYS staff for the development of materials to use at the Capitol. Attendees were greeted by Representative Lawson and Senator Rosino. Talked about having more than one Day at the Capitol. Possibly meeting in person for membership and board meetings during session, and possibly moving from there to the Capitol to increase attendance. Asked Cluster Reps to discuss legislative agenda. Draft language to add Youth Services into managed care language. Steve discussed reviewing federal rulings to address whether YSAs can be added to that language.

Steve Lewis and John Schneider discussed the OAYS Legislative Committee was closely following the latest versions of SB 1337 and SB 1396. The committee submitted suggested language to include designated Youth Services Agencies in the SB language. The committee also met with Senator McCortney and he seemed very positive about the OAYS request. John Also reported that the legislative committee was following a framework for the legislative agenda as well as an organic document on possible action items that will be continuously updated.

The OAYS Legislative Committee also reported following SB 1055 that includes the Office of Juvenile Affairs budget recommendation of an additional \$2.5 million dollars for Children's Emergency Resource Center funding.

7. Discussion and/or possible action to approve Programs Committee Report. Sheila Stinnett discussed upcoming CE offerings at annual meeting and discussed that the committee has brainstormed creating a centralized repository of trainings and services for better tracking and intra-agency partnerships/collaborations.
8. Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the President's Report. President Rice discussed interactions between OAYS rates committee and OJA. President Rice also presented and requested Membership feedback on:
 1. OJA's YSA Funding Allocation Framework
 2. Prosocial Youth Activity Rate (potential 90% cut). OJA's committee passed, but it has not been presented to their board

3. OAYS plans to meet with OJA to discuss needs assessment components

President Rice discussed how these items could impact member agencies. She also mentioned that OJA is welcome to make a presentation at a future Membership meeting.

9. Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the Executive Director's Report. Dr. Messiah discussed the upcoming annual meeting. He also discussed making site visits to several agencies and his upcoming plans to visit more.
10. New business not known at the time of posting this agenda. **No new business at time of meeting.**
11. Adjournment at 2:58 p.m.: Shanna Rice: No abstentions, **motion passes.**