

Oklahoma Association of Youth Services, Inc.
March 31, 2022
Membership Meeting Minutes

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

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1. **Call to order and introduction of guests:** President Rice recognized Constanza Nizza, Laura Broyles, and Amanda Leonhart from the Office of Juvenile Affairs. Dr. Messiah introduced Youth Services of Oklahoma's newest employee, Brandon Sims.
2. **Roll call/establish quorum:** All were present excluding Choctaw, Claremeore, Muskogee, Okmulgee, Ponca City, Shawnee, and Tishomingo. Quorum was established at 1:09 p.m.
3. **Discussion and/or possible action to approve Membership Minutes, February 2, 2022:** A motion was made by Darla Cheek with a second from Brandy Krohn. John Schneider and Lisa Williams abstained. **The motion passes.**
4. **Cluster Meeting Reports**
 - A. **Central Cluster:** A cluster report was given by Darla Cheek discussing activities within the Central cluster including CARF Accreditation.
 - B. **Northeast Cluster:** No report given
 - C. **Northwest Cluster:** No report given
 - D. **Southeast Cluster:** No report given
 - E. **Southwest Cluster:** No report given
5. **Discussion and/or possible action to approve ARPA Committee Report:** Dr. Messiah and Steve Lewis gave updates from the ARPA Committee as well as introducing the opportunity for nonprofit funding for ARPA dollars ranging from up to \$50,000 and up to \$75,000. The OAYS office sent a link to membership for

legislative hearings regarding the new funds to the membership during the presentation.

6. **Discussion and/or possible action to approve Legislative Committee Report:** John Schneider discussed the legislative agenda as well as plans for a Meet at the Capitol Day scheduled for April 19, 2022.
7. **Discussion and/or possible action to approve Programs Committee Report:** Shelia Stinnett discussed the programs committee plans to develop a training repository of YSA opportunities offered across the state. She also discussed plans for CE trainings to be offered at the Annual Meeting.
8. **Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the President's Report:** President Rice Discussed the rates process in relation to the OAYS CERC listening sessions. She also asked for volunteers for the Awards Committee. Courtney Dukes, Kerrie Matthews, and Erin Brooks (Chair) volunteered.
9. **Discussion and/or possible action to approve items on the Nomination Committee report:**

President Rice introduced the nominating committee consisting of Shanna Rice, Courtney Dukes, and Yolanda Cummings. The committee introduced the following ballot:

1. Shanna Rice, Past President
2. John Schneider, President
3. Herb McSpadden, Vice-President
4. Terri Krebs, Secretary
5. Darla Cheek, Treasurer

A motion was made by Shanna Rice to accept the nomination of officers as presented and seconded by Kody Suanny. With no abstentions or no votes, **the motion passes unanimously.**

President Rice introduced the nominations for the following cluster representatives:

1. Brenda Rose, Northwest Cluster Rep
2. Erin Brooks, Northeast Cluster Rep
3. Wendy Swatek, Central Cluster Rep
4. Kody Suanny, Southwest Cluster Rep
5. Courtney Dukes, Southeast Cluster Rep

There were no nominations from the floor. A motion was made by Shanna Rice to accept the nomination of cluster reps as presented and seconded by Lisa Williams. With no abstentions or no votes, **the motion passes unanimously.**

President Rice thanked the Nominating Committee for their tireless work and welcomed the new board of Directors, thanking them for their commitment of service. President also thanked the board members rotating off for giving several years of excellent leadership.

10. **Discussion and/or possible action to approve items as needed on the Executive Director's Report:** Dr. Messiah introduced Amanda Leonhart from the Office of Juvenile Affairs for a Botvin Life Skills update. He then discussed the OJA and DHS claim submissions and introduced the OAYS media project including a video and flipbook.
11. **New business not known at the time of posting this agenda:** No new business brought forth for discussion.
12. **Adjourn:** A motion was made by John Schneider and seconded by Courtney Dukes. With no abstentions or negative votes, the motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 2:18 p.m.