

**MINUTES
OFFICE OF JUVENILE AFFAIRS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

March 17, 2006

BOARD MEMBERS

Present: Ray Don Jackson
Jay Keel
George Lindley
Charlie Nobles
Gary Taylor
Lonelia Simmons

Absent: Charlie Jackson

PRESENT FROM THE OFFICE OF JUVENILE AFFAIRS

Gary Bolin, Cindy Braun, Don Bray, Dorothy Brown, Jeff Gifford, Donna Glandon, Aric Holloway, Wayne Johnson, Anna Kelly, Tammy Kelly, Gregory Lee, Dennis Luman, Charlotte McKey, Linda McLennan, Amber Miller, Robert Morey, Rick Olderbak, Marla Parish, Richard Parish, Mike Phillips, Tom Ray, Kim Sardis, Elizabeth Stewart, Shantha Varahan

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OTHERS PRESENT

Heather Arndt, Shawn Black, Stella K. Church, Lee Johnson, Gary Jones, Myron D. Mayberry, Susan Morris, Angela Riggs, Scott Williams, Pam Wise, Brent Wolfe, Brent Wright, Ken Young

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Lonelia Simmons called the March 17, 2006 Regularly scheduled Board Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Office of Juvenile Affairs to order at 10:05 a.m. at State Office, 3812 N. Santa Fe, Suite 400, Oklahoma City, OK.

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STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETING ACT

Linda McLennan, Board Secretary, confirmed the Board of Juvenile Affairs is in compliance with the Open Meeting Act.

Chairman Lonelia Simmons read the Office of Juvenile Affairs Mission Statement.

Ms. Simmons recognized special attendees: Col. Brent Wright and Heather Arndt from the Oklahoma Military Department of Thunderbird; Shawn Black, Executive Director, OAYS; Lee Johnson from the Department of Central Purchasing and Gary Jones, Executive Director of OPEA.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

Gary Bolin, Interim Director presented. Mr. Bolin gave an update of events since the last regularly scheduled Board Meeting of February 17, 2006. Executive staff has had several meetings with Gary Jones, OPEA Executive Director, regarding the OJA Pay Parity issues. Meetings with OAYS are on-going working to establish rates for upcoming contracts. A Press Event was held at the L.E. Rader Center highlighting the new security fence. Several Legislators attended the event.

On March 6, the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee Budget Meeting was held. On March 7, OJA employees participated in the OPEA State Lobby Day at the State Capitol.

Mr. Bolin and Executive Staff attended a combined District meeting in El Reno and visited with Judge Gary Miller regarding his facility. OJA sponsored five (5) employees to attend a Blueprint Training Conference on Prevention in Colorado. Documentation will be prepared with a brief outline of training and classes attended by the staff and will be mailed to all Board Members. Next week on March 22, OJA will present the budget request to the Senate Appropriations Committee at the State Capitol.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no Public Comments presented.

Jay Keel arrived at the meeting at 10:12 a.m.

REPORTS**FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

Charlie Nobles presented. The Finance Committee met this morning prior to this Board Meeting and discussed the financial statement with Shantha Varahan. She will be giving the financial report to the Board.

FINANCE REPORT

Shantha Varahan, Financial Services Division Administrator, presented the Finance Report for the Month Ended February 28, 2006.

FY-06 Budget Projections as of February 28, 2006

Description	Totals
FY-2006 Budget Work Program	\$114,849,951
Year-to-Date Expenditures	(66,653,339)
Encumbrances	(30,064,383)
Balance as of February 28, 2006	18,132,229
Less: Remaining Payroll Costs (Est.)	(14,987,182)
Less: Remaining Travel Budget	(255,875)
Less: OJJDP/JAIBG/Other Adjustments	(1,305,931)
Budget Available for Unfunded Mandates	1,583,241

FY-06 Budget to Actual for Payroll as of March 9, 2006

	State Office	Residential Services	JSU	Totals
YTD BWP	4,220,667	16,017,972	9,830,020	30,068,659
YTD Exp	3,895,207	15,856,942	9,630,669	29,382,818
YTD Vary	325,460	161,030	199,351	685,841

Comparison of FY-06 Travel Costs to Budget

FY-2006 Budget	FY-2006 Actual	Total Variance	FY-2005 Actual
358,345	346,703	11,642	296,444

FY-06 Revolving Fund Revenues as of February 28, 2006

	FY-2006 Budget	FY-2006 Receipts	Variance from Budget	FY-2006 Expenditures	FY-2005 Receipts
Sub-Total	552,542	530,808	(21,734)	536,060	510,108

FY-06 Title XIX and IV-E Combined as of February 28, 2006

	FY-06 Budget	FY-06 Receipts	Variance from Budget	FY-05 Receipts
Sub-Total	6,186,360	5,383,973	(802,387)	5,623,033

Accounts Receivable –
 Title IV-E Jan 14,461
 Title IV-E Apr 605,710
 Title XIX Admin 153,729
 Adjusted Variance (28,487)

FY-06 Title IV-E as of February 28, 2006

	FY-06 Budget	FY-06 Receipts	Variance from Budget	FY-05 Receipts
Sub-Total	419,496	-	(419,496)	-

FY-06 Targeted Case Management as of February 28, 2006

	FY-06 Budget	FY-06 Receipts	Variance from Budget	FY-05 Receipts
Sub-Total	2,000,000	1,999,542	(458)	2,112,288

Residential Behavior Management Services as of February 28, 2006 for FY-06

	FY-06 Budget	FY-06 Receipts	Variance from Budget	FY-05 Receipts
Sub-Total	3,553,528	3,384,432	(169,096)	3,413,649

Note: Revenue budget includes \$264,333 for 12-bed Level E+ that will not open before FY-2007.

FY-06 Title XIX – Admin as of February 28, 2006

	FY-06 Budget	FY-06 Receipts	Variance from Budget	FY-05 Receipts
Sub-Total	213,336	-	(213,336)	-

Note: Claims totaling \$153,529 has been prepared and payment is in process.

Sole Source

Control #	Vendor	Date	Cost	Requestor	Division/Purpose
No New Sole Source Contracts Since Last Board Meeting.					

Emergency Purchases

Date	Location	Description	Repair Cost
02/28/06	L.E. Rader Center	Repair of fire alarm panel	\$1,168.12

Gary Taylor raised questions regarding the freeze on the federal monies for budget year 07 as indicated by OJJDP as a result of the audit. Ms. Varahan explained that OJA is in the process of sending the requested documentation to Washington, D.C. and are hoping these audit questions will be documented and answered. Washington has 120 days for a final opinion. Ms. Varahan will keep the board updated.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Marla Parish, Legislative Liaison, presented. Ms. Parish reviewed the Legislative Bills of major impact to the Office of Juvenile Affairs, the author of the bill, the cost effect to OJA, and status of the bill to-date.

SB 1633 (Johnson, C) Subject to appropriation of funds, the salaries for classified employees of the Office of Juvenile Affairs shall increase by the difference between each such employee's pay band midpoint and the hiring rate, or

\$3,200 annually, whichever is greater. Effective 11-01-06.

Cost \$4,688,326

03-02-06 Dormant pursuant to the rules

SB 1746 (Riley, N) Increases time frame from 6 hours to 24 hours that a child can be held in detention if that child has been arrested for a crime that would constitute a felony if committed by an adult, or who is an escapee from OJA custody.

Cost \$1,197,984

03-02-06 Dormant pursuant to the rules

SB 1756 (Riley, N) Requires that records related to Youthful Offenders clearly identify them as such.

Cost \$0.00

S-Judiciary: Passed Senate 46/0

SB 1758 (Hobson, C) Creates the Office of Citizen Concerns for Criminal and Juvenile Justice to respond to concerns and inquires of elected officials, state agencies, families and friends of offenders and the general public.

Cost Unknown

03-02-06 Dormant pursuant to the rules

SB 1760 (Riley, N) Modifies ages/crimes under Youthful Offender Act. Allows persons 13 or 14 charged with murder to be certified as a youthful offender or a juvenile, but provides that any person 15, 16 or 17 charged with murder in the first degree shall be tried as an adult.

Cost \$0.00

03/02/06 H Received in the House Not Referred

S-Full Approp: Passed Senate 39/6

SB 1764 (Riley, N) Requires identification of the educational needs of any child under 18 who is detained, regardless of status, within 72 hours of arrest or detention, and requires that the child be afforded educational opportunities without delay.

Cost \$0.00

03-02-06 Dormant pursuant to the rules

SB 1765 (Riley, N) Enacts recommendations of the Youthful Offender Task Force: Directs court to commence a preliminary hearing within 90 days of filing, or show cause why not. Directs court, when ruling on a motion for certification as a youthful offender or juvenile delinquent to place greater weight on level of violence, degree of personal injury, and past history. Removes 10-year cap on sentencing. States intent that youthful offenders be held separate from juvenile delinquent population.

Cost \$0.00

2/23/06 S voted from the committee – Do Pass Senate Health and Human Resources

S-Health/Human Resources: Passed Senate 33/10

SB 1799 (Riley, N) FLOOR AMENDMENT. Provides for OJA to retain custody of a youthful offender through age ~~25~~ 21, if ordered by the court. Provides that at such time as separate youthful offender facilities are constructed and operational, OJA shall be authorized to retain a youthful offender until age ~~25~~ 21 without a court order.

Cost FY 07 \$ 1,094,060

FY 08 \$11,000,000

03/06/06 H Received in the House – Not Referred

S-Full Approp: Passed Senate 44/0

SB 1839 (Johnson, C) Provides for reintegration services to commence within 2 months for youth released from an institution or other designated place. Provides for services to be rendered by community service provider for 6 months, to ensure a successful transfer into the community and home.

Cost \$296,730

03-02-06 Dormant pursuant to the rules

SB 1844 (Corn, K) Transfers responsibility for planning and coordination for statewide juvenile justice and delinquency prevention services from the Office of Juvenile Affairs to the Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth (OCCY). Authorizes OCCY to establish and maintain the Office of Community-Based Youth Services, and to enter into contracts with Youth Services Agencies for the provision of services. Modifies membership of the OCCY Commission to exclude state agency directors and the chair of the SJR 13 Oversight Committee.

Cost \$19,461,494

03-02-06 Dormant pursuant to the rules

SB 1893 (Riley, N) Authorizes court to extend OJA custody of a youthful offender to age 25. Removes 10-year cap on sentencing; prohibits the death penalty.

Cost FY 07 \$1,094,000

FY 08 \$21,000,000

03-02-06 Dormant pursuant to the rules

SB 1952 (Riley, N) Provides for mandatory minimum sentence of four years for youthful offenders, who would not be eligible for a deferred or suspended sentence, probation, or any delay of the imposition of the sentence.

Cost FY 07 \$1,094,000

FY 08 \$11,000,000

03-02-06 Dormant pursuant to the rules

HB 2105 (Balkman, T) Reduces income eligibility for Medicaid from 185% of the federal poverty level to 175%.

Cost \$28,000

03-02-06 Dormant pursuant to the rules

HB 2366 (Jett, S) Permits OJA to contract with former employees. Permits facilities to open and read mail addressed to a child or sent by a child. Abolishes regimented training programs AND MILITARY MENTOR PROGRAM. Prohibits child taken into custody for truancy violation from being placed in a jail, lockup or detention facility. AMENDMENT; MODIFIES APPOINTMENT PROCESS FOR POST-ADJUDICATORY REVIEW BOARD IN THE EVENT OF A CONFLICT OF INTEREST. PROVIDES FOR APPEAL TO MAKE TO THE OKLAHOMA COMMISSION ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Cost \$0.00

HB 2366 is OJA's request bill for this legislative session.

H-Corrections: CS Passed Unanimously

HB 2374 (Newport, J) Increases time frame from 6 hours to 24 hours that a child can be held in detention if that child has been arrested for a crime that would constitute a felony if committed by an adult, or who is an escapee from OJA custody.

Cost \$1,197,984

If passed, this bill would violate the 1974 Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Act.

H-Corrections: Passed

Dormant

HB 2860 (Harrison, T) Modifies lists of crimes by which a person 15, 16, or 17 shall be considered a Youthful Offender to include additional weapons charges. Requires District Attorney to notify OJA upon filing of Youthful Offender charges. Requires court to commence preliminary hearing within 90 days, or forfeit its right to seek an adult sentence.

Cost \$0.00

H-Corrections: Passed Unanimously

HB 2915 (Morgan, D) Directs Office of Juvenile Affairs to conduct a study focused on the cost of building four separate secure facilities to house a maximum of 50 offenders each.

Cost \$15,000 to \$1,094,060

This bill came from the Youthful Offender Task Force and is for housing Youthful Offenders only.

Not heard in House Committee on House Appropriations and Budget

H-A&B

Plans are to melt with another bill and would cause OJA to do a study for facilities for Youthful Offenders.

HB 2999 (Winchester, S) Transfers responsibility for planning and coordination for statewide juvenile justice and delinquency prevention services from the Office of Juvenile Affairs to the ~~Oklahoma Commission on Children and Youth (OCY)~~ DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES (DHS). Authorizes ~~OCY~~ DHS to establish and maintain the Office of Community-Based Youth Services, and to enter into contracts with Youth Services Agencies for the provision of services. ~~Modifies membership of the OCY Commission to exclude state agency directors and the chair of the SJR 13 Oversight Committee.~~

03/06/06 H Not heard in committee

H-Appropriations Sub on Human Services

H-A&B: CS Passed

Passed House with stricken title

Ms. Parish said she is tracking and following additional bills that would have some effect on OJA. One particular bill would require a complete recodification or rewrite of the Oklahoma Juvenile Code over the summer. Another bill would require OJA to report to the Immigration and Naturalization Service any clients not proven to be citizens of the United States.

Ms. Parish repeated that OJA has the Senate Appropriations Committee hearing next Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. and invited the Board Members to attend.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNITY OUT-REACH COMMITTEE REPORT

Charlie Nobles presented. The committee of Ray Don Jackson, Charlie Jackson and myself has met weekly with employees of OAYS. The last meetings have seen some progress. Mr. Nobles stated it was his opinion that the Board will certainly support efforts to work the Youth Services. The Committee has charged OJA and OAYS to establish service rates by the end of next week. The rates will be submitted to DCS who has promised a two-day turn around approval. The plan is to continue to develop additional rates until all services has established rates.

Gary Taylor expressed his concern about the Pay Parity issues facing OJA and the establishment of the Youth Services Agencies rates. Mr. Taylor asked if there was any coalition between the two issues. Mr. Nobles assured him there was not.

Ms. Susan Morris, Shawnee Youth and Family Resource Center, expressed her concern that the smaller Youth Services Agencies in the rural areas will not be able to operate under the new rates system.

CORE Mandates of the JJDP Act, Disproportionate Minority Contact and Mandates of the JJDP Act, Muskogee County

Ms. Susan Morris, Chairman of the State Advisory Group (SAG) Board of Directors presented. In 1983 Oklahoma came into the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act. (Public Law 93-415) 42 U.S.C. 5601 et seq Established in 1974. As a result, Oklahoma agrees to:

Deinstitutionalization of Status Offenders

Juveniles who are charged with or who have committed an offense that would not be criminal if committed by an adult. . .
Shall not be placed in secure detention facilities or secure correctional facilities

Sight and Sound Separation

(12) provide that –

(A) Juveniles alleged to be or found to be delinquent or juveniles within the purview of paragraph (11) will not be detained or confined in any institution in which they have contact with adult inmates. . .

(13) provide that no juvenile shall be detained or confined in any jail or lockup for adults except –

(A) Juveniles who are accused of nonstatus offenses who are detained in such jail or lock-up for a period not to exceed 6 hours –

- (i) for processing or release
- (ii) while awaiting transfer to a juvenile facility
- (iii) in which period such juveniles make a court appearance

(B) Juveniles who are accused of nonstatus offenses, who are awaiting an initial court appearance that will occur within 48 hours after being taken into custody (excluding Saturday, Sunday, and legal holidays), and who are detained in a jail or lockup –

- (i) in which –
 - (l) such juveniles do not have contact with adult inmates
 - (m)

Jail Removal

(13) provide that no juvenile shall be detained or confined in any jail or lockup for adults

Disproportionate Minority Confinement

(22) address juvenile delinquency prevention efforts and system improvement efforts designed to reduce, without establishing or requiring numerical standards or quotas, the disproportionate number of juvenile members of minority groups, who come into contact with the juvenile justice system:

It is Oklahoma Law, as well.

Deinstitutionalization of Status Offenders

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Jail Removal

In order to receive formula grants, a State shall submit a plan for carrying out its purposes applicable to a 3-year period. Such plan shall be amended annually to include new programs, projects and activities. The State shall submit annual performance reports to the Administrator, which shall describe progress in implementing programs, contained in the original plan, and shall describe the status of compliance with State plan requirements. In accordance with regulations which the Administrator shall prescribe, such plan shall –

(14) provide for an adequate system of monitoring jails, detention facilities, correctional facilities and non-secure facilities to insure that the requirements of paragraph (11), paragraph (12) and paragraph (13) are met, and for annual reporting of the results of such monitoring to the Administrator, except that such reporting requirement shall not apply in the case of a State which is in compliance with the other requirements of this paragraph, which is in compliance with the requirements in paragraph (11) and Paragraph (13), and which has enacted legislation which conforms to such requirements and which contains in the opinion of the Administrator, sufficient enforcement mechanisms to ensure that such legislation will be administered effectively.

OJJD Rate Requirements:

Jail Removal – less than 9 per 100,000 youth

DSO – less than 5.8 per 100,000 youth

Failure to Comply:

For subsequent fiscal year. . . reduced by not less than 20% for each failure to comply and

Ineligible to receive any allocation under such section for such fiscal year unless

Agree to expend 50% of the amount to. . .comply. . .with requirements

What it means . . .

Oklahoma received	\$1,093,761.77
20%	\$ 218,752.35
DSO & Jail Removal	\$ 437,504.71
Oklahoma then receives	\$ 656,257.06
50% to comply with requirements	\$ 328,128.53
For grants	\$ 328,128.53

This amount would not even cover the continuation grants for the year.

County DSO Rates:

County	Total Juvenile Population	DSO Violations	Rate (Should be less than 5.8)
Oklahoma	171167	5	2.92
Muskogee	17193	5	29.08
Caddo	7997	1	12.50
Custer	5554	1	18.01

County Jail Removal Rates:

County	Total Juvenile Population	Jail Removal Violations	Rate (Should be less than 9)
Oklahoma	171167	8	4.67
Tulsa	145852	2	1.37
Muskogee	17193	46	267.55
Caddo	7997	1	12.50
Lincoln	7896	1	12.66
Adair	6213	9	144.86
Custer	5554	1	18.01
Beckham	4462	2	44.82
Pushmataha	2731	2	73.23
Tillman	2159	2	92.64

Actual Violations – 2002 - 2004

	2002			2003			2004		
	State	Muskogee	%	State	Muskogee	%	State	Muskogee	%
Jail Removal	80	43	54%	70	19	27%	74	41	55%
DSO	50	2	4%	42	10	24%	40	5	13%

Thus far OJJDP Compliance Monitoring Field Audit recommendation is that SAG work with Muskogee to develop an alternative to jailing plan for Muskogee County (April 2004). The SAG met in Muskogee in January, 05 and has developed the following solution ideas for Muskogee:

- SAG help through Challenge and Formula grant funds
- OJA divert unused JAIBG funds to Muskogee county
- Certification of new jail space as a co-located facility.
(Note that the jail did not qualify for certification.)
- Increasing bed space for Muskogee County in the regional facility.
- Placing status offenders in the local McCoys Shelter
- Implementing Alternatives to Detention.

Ms. Morris stressed to the Board that this is a problem that must be dealt with and solved. She will keep the Board updated on the progress.

DELINQUENCY AND YOUTH GANG INTERVENTION AND PREVENTION ACT; INVITATION TO BID FOR SOCIAL

SERVICE AND ADVOCACY PROGRAMS FOR PARENTS AND GUARDIANS OF CERTAIN DELINQUENT AND GANG INVOLVED YOUTH

Ms. Kim Sardis, Division Administration, Community Services Division, presented. The Delinquency and Young Gang Intervention and Prevention Act is found in O.S. 10 7302-7.1 through 7.5. OJA enhanced contracts to provide a social services and advocacy program for OJA reintegration youth with a history of gang involvement. On July 22, 2005 the OJA Board of Directors approved an allocation methodology for all five (5) Gang Intervention and Deterrence contracts that included \$173,500.00 for a "Social Services and Advocacy Program" to serve Comanche, Muskogee, Oklahoma, and Tulsa counties. Since March 8, 2001, the Oklahoma Health Care Project. Parents Guardian Support Network has been the contractor providing these services. The contract expired on February 28, 2006.

The description of services provided:

Transportation for parents to visit youth placed out of the home and to attend family therapy sessions.

- Court advocacy/grand staffing support
- Individual educational planning
- Family support and encouragement
- Employment advocacy
- Educational advocacy
- Parental assistance
- Community resource referrals
- Focus/support groups
- Non-clinical counseling and crisis intervention
- Summer and after school care
- Recreational activities
- Tutoring
- Food assistance

Facilitators travel to parent/guardian homes to conduct intake/assessments and assist in the development of service plans and to provide families with program and OJA system information.

A February 2006 snapshot of services provided by PGSN contract

In Oklahoma and Tulsa counties, 203 individual clients (56 families) received services
Service hours per client as 22.

On January 9, 2006 an Invitation to Bid was advertised to the public. OHCP/PGSN contract was first extended through January 31, 2006 and again through February 28, 2006 to allow time for a new contract award. On February 1, 2006 the Invitation to Bid was closed. NO BIDS WERE RECEIVED FROM ANY PARTIES INCLUDING PGSN CONTRACTOR.

OJA has decided to publish two (2) Invitations to Bid for the enhanced contract with total funding of \$173,500.00 for:

Oklahoma County	\$86,750.00
Tulsa County	\$86,750.00

These proposed ITB's would reduce coverage from four to two counties. Ms. Sardis will keep the board updated as to the award of the ITB's.

ACTION ITEMS

DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE VOTE TO APPROVE THE BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 17, 2006.

MOTION BY CHARLIE NOBLES WITH SECOND BY RAY DON JACKSON TO APPROVE THE BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 17, 2006 AS PRESENTED.

MOTION PASSED

Voting Aye: Ray Don Jackson
Jay Keel
George Lindley
Charlie Nobles
Gary Taylor
Lonelia Simmons

DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE VOTE TO APPROVE THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 24, 2006.

MOTION BY JAY KEEL WITH SECOND BY GARY TAYLOR TO APPROVE THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 24, 2006 AS PRESENTED.

MOTION PASSED

Voting Aye: Ray Don Jackson
 Jay Keel
 Charlie Nobles
 Gary Taylor
 Lonelia Simmons

Abstain: George Lindley

DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE VOTE TO APPROVE THE UPDATES AND REVISIONS TO RULES TITLE 377, OFFICE OF JUVENILE AFFAIRS.

Robert Morey, Policy Manager, presented.

1. **Chapter 3. Administrative Services**
 - Subchapter 13. Office of Public Integrity
 - Part 3. Requirements for Secure Juvenile Detention Centers
 - 377:3-13-42. Juvenile Rights [Amended]
 - 377:3-13-43. Staff Requirements [Amended]

MOTION BY GEORGE LINDLEY WITH SECOND BY LONELIA SIMMONS TO APPROVE THE REVISIONS TO CHAPTER 3. SUBCHAPTER 13, 377:3-13-42 AND 3-13-43 AS PRESENTED WITH THE FOLLOWING CHANGES:

Page 5 (2) (A) addition – governing body of the facility

Page 6 (2) (B) governing body of the facility

MOTION PASSED

Voting Aye: Ray Don Jackson
 Jay Keel
 George Lindley
 Charlie Nobles
 Gary Taylor
 Lonelia Simmons

DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE VOTE TO AMEND THE FY-07 BUDGET TO INCLUDE INCREASED FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY-BASED YOUTH SERVICES AGENCIES

Mr. Shawn Black, Executive Director, Oklahoma Association of Youth Services, presented. Mr. Black asked for an increase in the community based youth services program in the amount of \$6,000,000. Following is a description of the monies.

1. Agency Support Funding \$2,050,000
 Summary: The funding would be used to provide \$50,000 to each of the 41 designated Youth Services Agencies throughout Oklahoma.

Purpose: In FY07, youth services agency contracts will be converted from reimbursement to rate based. Rate based contracts require an actual service be provided before payment is received. This funding will be used to provide each agency with funding for community outreach, capacity building and administrative support.

2. Youth Services Agency Program Increases \$3,950,000
 Summary: The funds would be allocated to agencies based on a formula using each Youth Services Agency services area youth population.

Purpose: The funding will be used to increase children's services in the state through funding increases to the following programs: first time offender, counseling, emergency youth shelter, community outreach, and etc.

Up to 5,000 additional children will be served with this funding.

Total \$6,000,000

Notes: There has been no increase in the community based youth services program for more than 15 years. There has been no increase in the first offender program since it was created in 1995. There has been a \$2.6 million increase in shelter services since 1993. Of the shelter increase, \$250,000 was provided to cover increased operations costs. The other was provided to address increased staffing requirements.

MOTION BY CHARLIE NOBLES WITH SECOND BY GEORGE LINDLEY TO AMEND THE FY-07 BUDGET TO INCLUDE \$6 MILLION INCREASED FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY-BASED YOUTH SERVICES AGENCIES WITH OJA STAFF DECIDING ON THE ORDER OF PLACEMENT WITHIN OJA'S TOP PRIORITIES.

MOTION PASSED

Voting Aye: Ray Don Jackson
 Jay Keel
 George Lindley
 Charlie Nobles
 Gary Taylor
 Lonelia Simmons

VOTE TO CONVENE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION BY CHARLIE NOBLES WITH SECOND BY RAY DON JACKSON TO CONVENE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION
 MOTION PASSED

Voting Aye: Ray Don Jackson
 Jay Keel
 George Lindley
 Charlie Nobles
 Gary Taylor
 Lonelia Simmons

VOTE TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

MOTION BY CHARLIE NOBLES WITH SECOND BY JAY KEEL TO CONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION
 MOTION PASSED

Voting Aye: Ray Don Jackson
 Jay Keel
 George Lindley
 Charlie Nobles
 Gary Taylor
 Lonelia Simmons

VOTE ON ITEMS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

No Items requiring a vote.

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ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Lonelia Simmons adjourned the meeting at 12:20 p.m.

Minutes approved in regular session on the 28th day of April, 2006.

Lonelia Simmons

Lonelia Simmons, Chairman

PREPARED BY:

Linda McLennan

Linda McLennan
Secretary to the Board of Directors