



STATE OF OKLAHOMA
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LAWS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE ABLE COMMISSION MEETING
August 15, 2025

The filing of the meeting and posting of the agenda were in accordance with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act. The notice of the meeting was filed with the Secretary of State on October 18, 2024. The agenda was posted on August 13, 2025, on the front and back doors of the 50 Northeast 23rd Street building in Oklahoma City, the door of the ABLE Commission's office reception area, and the ABLE Commission website.

Vice Chairman Andrew Revelis started the meeting with agenda Item #1 and called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. at the office of the Alcoholic Beverage Laws Enforcement (ABLE) Commission at 50 Northeast 23rd Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73105.

Vice Chairman Andrew Revelis directed Executive Secretary Shae Isaacs to move forward with agenda Item #2, and a roll call of the following ABLE Commissioners were announced: Vice Chairman Andrew Revelis; Commissioner H. Robert "Bob" Usry; Commissioner Keith Mitchell; Commissioner A. Ainslie Stanford II; Commissioner Austin Benton; and Commissioner C. Alex Stodghill II.

Assistant Attorney General, Bailey Warren, addressed agenda Item #3 and acknowledged that the ABLE Commission is compliant with the Open Meeting Act. She also stated that there were enough Commissioners present to complete a quorum for the current meeting. A quorum was then established for the ABLE Commission meeting on August 15, 2025. A notice of the meeting and agenda were posted 48 hours prior to the meeting and in accordance with Oklahoma statute 25 O.S. §311.

Agenda Item #4, recognition of visitors with possible discussion. The visitors that were in attendance were: Lauren Kidwell and Bianca Juarez, Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services; Justin Naifah, Republic National Distributing Company (RNDC); Samantha Davidson, Institute for Responsible Alcohol Policy (IRAP); J.B. Jarboe, Southern Glaziers Wine and Spirits; Alex Adkins, Beer Distributors of Oklahoma; Robert Jernigan and Dirk Van Veen, Retail Liquor Association of Oklahoma; Tyler Talley, Quorum Call; and David Oakley and Derek Parker, LegisOK.

The following ABLE Commission employees in attendance were: Executive Director Brandon Clabes; Assistant Director/General Counsel/Public Information Officer Lori Carter; Chief Operating Officer Andrea Fielding; Assistant Attorney General Bailey Warren, from the Office of the Attorney General for the State of Oklahoma; Chief Law Enforcement Agent Todd Peck; Prosecuting Attorney Kate Springer; Licensing Supervisor Jessica Brence, Administrative Assistant Deana Gary, Captain Erik Smoot; Captain Kent James; Captain Scott Smith; Captain Mike Randol; and Executive Secretary Shae Isaacs.

Vice Chairman Revelis moved to agenda item #5, review, discussion and possible action to approve, amend or reject the minutes from the July 18, 2025, regular meeting of the ABLE Commission. Commissioner Stodghill made a motion to approve the minutes of July 18, 2025, regular commission meeting. Commissioner Usry seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Vice Chairman Andrew Revelis – Abstain
Commissioner H. Robert "Bob" Usry – Yes
Commissioner Keith Mitchell – Abstain
Commissioner A. Ainslie Stanford II – Yes
Commissioner Austin Benton – Yes
Commissioner C. Alex Stodghill II – Yes

Vice Chairman Revelis moved on to Item #6, introduction of new ABLE Commission Administrative Assistant, Deana Gary. A brief overview of her expected duties was provided by Chief Operating Officer Andrea Fielding. Deana was welcomed by the ABLE Commission.

Vice Chairman Revelis moved on to Item #7, review, discussion and possible action on the following employee training to program applicants' curriculum of instruction pursuant to Oklahoma Administrative Code 45:15-3-1. Commissioner Benton made a motion to approve the following applicants: Course Academy LLC – Oklahoma ABLE Alcohol Seller Server Course (New Certification) and Foodservice Operators Training Achievement Programs, LLC dba TAP Series - Alcohol Server Training (New Certification). Commissioner Mitchell seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Vice Chairman Andrew Revelis – Yes
Commissioner H. Robert “Bob” Usry – Yes
Commissioner Keith Mitchell – Yes
Commissioner A. Ainslie Stanford II – Yes
Commissioner Austin Benton – Yes
Commissioner C. Alex Stodghill II – Yes

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT FOR JULY 2025:

Vice Chairman Revelis moved on to Item #8 on the agenda, presentation of Executive Director’s report with possible discussion. The reports are a review of administrative and operational activities for July 2025. Executive Director Brandon Clabes provided the following information to the ABLE Commission:

- Director Clabes met with many different entities, committees, agencies and conferences including: meetings with Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (ODMHSAS); Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigations (OSBI); attended the Rose State College Regents meeting; attended the meeting with Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs (OBNDD); meeting with Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust (TSET); meeting with Food and Drug Administration (FDA); meeting with representatives from Oklahoma Restaurant Association (ORA); attended the Metro Executive Law Enforcement Networking meeting; meeting with Oklahoma State Department of Health; meeting with Office of Management and Enterprise Services (OMES); meeting with Oklahoma Department of Public Safety (DPS); met with Senators and Representatives as well as met with members of the media, several constituents and concerned citizens of the public.
- Director Clabes and Assistant Director Carter met with Comptroller Jennifer Treadwell and HR Director Christine Chalmers on finance and human resource related issues.
- Director Clabes provided an update regarding a question that was asked by Chairman Brooks at the previous meeting regarding proof of an employee completing their required training in order to be within compliance with their employee license.
- Director Clabes attended a meeting with Oklahoma Restaurant Association Director James Leewright and their lobbyist Julia Jernigan.
- Director Clabes, Assistant Director Carter, Chief Peck, COO Fielding and Captain Smoot met in Tulsa with Chief Brooks and Retail Liquor Association of Oklahoma leadership.
- The ABLE Commission continues to be in communication with OMES regarding the compliance of Automatic Vehicle Location (AVL) equipment installed in state-owned vehicles.
- Chief Todd Peck and Chief Operating Officer, Andrea Fielding continues to review, update and disseminate new policy and procedures.
- ABLE staff continues to meet with lobbyists and wholesalers to discuss better communication between the agency and industry.
- Director Clabes will be sworn in by Supreme Court Justice Travis Jett as a member of the Oklahoma Supreme Court Dispute Resolution Advisory Board.
- The next regular ABLE Commission meeting will be in 4 weeks on September 19, 2025.

Vice Chairman Revelis moved to agenda item #9, the enforcement report by Chief Law Enforcement Agent Todd Peck with possible discussion. Chief Peck presented an overview of completed and ongoing enforcement activities since the last Commission meeting.

Vice Chairman Andrew Revelis moved on to Item #10 on the agenda, Assistant Director’s operational, docket and legislation report with possible discussion. Assistant Director/General Counsel/Public Information Officer Lori Carter presented the following legislative and legal report to the Commission:

- Assistant Director Carter's docket report consists of 89 cases settled for the month of July 2025. For the month of August 2025, there have been 49 cases resolved and 13 cases pending. There are 77 cases set for the month of September 2025.
- Assistant Director Carter addressed the request from Chairman Brooks in regard to adding a "frequently asked questions" section to the ABLE website.
- A status report was provided regarding the Open Records Requests that are processed by the legal department.
- Assistant Director Carter updated the Commission with her research about "hemp infused" beverages.
- The ABLE Commission is preparing for the vape enforcement meeting to take place on October 23, 2025.
- Assistant Director Carter reminded the public to follow the ABLE Commission's social media pages: Facebook, Instagram and X (formerly known as Twitter).

Vice Chairman Revelis moved on to Item #11 on the agenda, licensing report with possible discussion. Licensing Supervisor, Jessica Brence, presented information on the following topics: recruiting, retention, and hiring; daily operations; MAS cases/IT; brand registration; and process improvement. She also provided a PowerPoint presentation that displayed information regarding the latest number of active ABLE licenses.

Vice Chairman Revelis moved on to item #12, presentation of the Chief Operating Officer's report with possible discussion:

- COO Fielding provided a synopsis of the ongoing duties and updates with the licensing department.
- A status update was given regarding the agency's FDA grant application and also the grant from TSET.
- She advised that the agency received funding for new storage and also funding for a legal research assistant to help support the legal division.
- COO Fielding continues to assist Chief Peck with reviewing and updating agency-wide policies.
- COO Fielding also provided an update on miscellaneous projects which include: the status of the recruitment process; updates to the ABLE Commission website; and a schedule of events for the next quarter.

Vice Chairman Revelis moved to Item #13 on the agenda, comments from the public limited to items on the agenda for meeting date August 15, 2025:

- Justin Naifah with Republic National Distributing Company made a statement regarding encouraging the ABLE Commission's continued dialogue with the public and industry members.

Vice Chairman Revelis moved to Item #14 on the agenda, new business in any matter not known about or, which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the time of the posting of the agenda. There was no new business to discuss.

Vice Chairman Revelis moved on to Item #15 on the agenda, discussion and possible action to enter into Executive Session as authorized by 25 O.S. §307(B)(1), Discussing the employment, hiring, appointment, promotion, demotion, disciplining or resignation of any individual salaried public officer or employee. Also, 25 O.S. § 307 (B)(4), Discussion of confidential communication between a public body and its attorney concerning pending investigations, claims, and actions, the disclosure of which would seriously impair the public body's ability to process the claims or conduct investigations, litigation, or proceedings in the public interest. Commissioner Stanford made a motion to move into Executive Session. Commissioner Usry seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Vice Chairman Andrew Revelis – Yes
 Commissioner H. Robert "Bob" Usry – Yes
 Commissioner Keith Mitchell – Yes
 Commissioner A. Ainslie Stanford II – Yes
 Commissioner Austin Benton – Yes
 Commissioner C. Alex Stodghill II – Yes

Commissioners entered Executive Session at 11:05 a.m.

Commissioners exited Executive Session at 11:27 a.m.

Vice Chairman Revelis called the meeting to order at 11:27 a.m. and called for a motion to return from Executive Session. Commissioner Stanford made the motion to return from Executive Session. Commissioner Mitchell seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Vice Chairman Andrew Revelis – Yes
Commissioner H. Robert “Bob” Usry – Yes
Commissioner Keith Mitchell – Yes
Commissioner A. Ainslie Stanford II – Yes
Commissioner Austin Benton – Yes
Commissioner C. Alex Stodghill II – Yes

No action was taken during Executive Session

Vice Chairman Andrew Revelis moved on to Item #16 on the agenda, adjournment. Commissioner Benton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Stodghill seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

Vice Chairman Andrew Revelis – Yes
Commissioner H. Robert “Bob” Usry – Yes
Commissioner Keith Mitchell – Yes
Commissioner A. Ainslie Stanford II – Yes
Commissioner Austin Benton – Yes
Commissioner C. Alex Stodghill II – Yes

The meeting was then adjourned at 11:28 a.m.


Jonathan Brooks, Chairman