

Agenda

Oklahoma Arts Council Meeting

Monday, October 5, 2026 | 9:30 a.m.

Quartz Mountain State Park Lodge
22469 Lodge Road
Lone Wolf, OK 73655

1. Call to Order and Determination of Quorum
Barbara Braught, Chair **Action**
2. Welcome
Emily Claudé, Vice President and Artistic Director, Oklahoma Arts Institute
3. Discussion and Possible Action on June 18, 2026 Meeting Minutes
Barbara Braught **Action**
4. Presentation and Discussion of Chair Report
Barbara Braught
5. Discussion and Possible Action on the
Election of FY2027 Slate of Officers **Action**
6. Discussion and Possible Action on the
Election of FY2027 Executive Committee **Action**
7. Discussion and Possible Action on FY2027 Arts in Alternative Education
Community Partnership Grant application: Twisted Arts: Girls Rock! Tulsa
(Grant A28-2603-14932)
Barbara Braught **Action**
8. Update and Discussion of the Friends of the Oklahoma Arts Council
John Kennedy, Vice-Chair
9. Discussion and Possible Action on the Memorandum of Understanding
Between the Oklahoma Arts Council (OAC) and Friends of OAC
John Kennedy **Action**
10. Presentation and Discussion of Executive Director Report
Amber Sharples, Executive Director
11. Discussion and Possible Action on FY2026 Carryover Funds
Amber Sharples
April Kowardy, Finance Director **Action**
12. Discussion and Possible Action on Insurance Premium Increase
April Kowardy **Action**

13. Discussion and Possible Action on FY2027 Budget Update
April Kowardy **Action**
14. Discussion and Possible Action on Audit and Findings
April Kowardy
15. Lunch/Break
16. Report Update: The Economic Role of the Oklahoma Arts Council
Joel Gavin, Director of Marketing and Communications
17. Arts and Health Report Presentation and Discussion
Erika Wilhite, Arts Learning in Communities Director
18. Visual and Public Art Update and Discussion
Jarica Walsh, Director of Visual and Public Art
19. Public Art Project Updates and Discussion
Erin Latham, Director of Art in Public Places
20. Collections Manager Report and Discussion
Liam Larson, Collections Manager
21. Discussion and Possible Action on the
American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Grant Final Reallocation Awards
Thomas Tran, Grants Director **Action**
22. ARPA Grant Program: Reflections as the Program Nears Completion
Amber Sharples
23. Discussion and Possible Action on 2027 Council Meeting Dates
Barbara Braught
March 11, 2027
June 17, 2027
October 21, 2027 **Action**
24. Staff Anniversary and Milestone Recognitions
Amber Sharples
25. New Business: Any matter not known about or which could not
have been reasonably foreseen prior to the time of posting the
agenda (25 O.S. Section 311.9)
26. Adjourn **Action**

Optional: View Lodge collection on your own

Note: The Council may discuss, table, defer, or vote to approve or disapprove or take appropriate action with respect to any agenda item. The sequence of the agenda may be changed at the Council's discretion.