
NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING

The Ethics Commission of the State of Oklahoma will hold a regular meeting November 8, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. The Commission will meet at the Oklahoma State Capitol, 2300 N. Lincoln Blvd., Room G-3, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105.

AGENDA

1. Call to order and determination of quorum present. Chair Fields
2. Open Meeting Act Compliance. Chair Fields
3. Introductions and Announcements. Chair Fields
4. Announcements, consideration, discussion, and possible action on the disqualification or recusal of any Commissioner or Commissioners pursuant to Ethics Rule 1.6 for any item listed herein, other than those items listed for Executive Session. Margaret Kerr, General Counsel to Commission
5. Consideration, discussion, and possible action on minutes for the regular meeting and executive session held October 11, 2024. Chair Fields
6. Executive Director's Report. Director Bruce Boone
 - a. Quarterly Budget and Fees Update and Budget Request FY 26
 - i. Consideration, discussion and possible action to approve Budget Request FY 26.
 - b. Compliance Update
 - c. LOFT Update
 - d. Rulemaking Notice and Consideration
 - e. Complaint and Investigation Confidentiality
 - f. RFP Update
 - i. Consideration, discussion, and possible action to approve contract to successful bidder on contract to replace Guardian software.
7. Proposed Executive Session. Consideration, discussion, and possible action to enter Executive Session, as authorized by 25 O.S. 2021, § 307 (B)(1, 4, & 7), regarding numbers i-v below, for the purpose of having confidential communications between the Commission and its counsel about pending investigations, claims, or actions; and to discuss matters for which disclosure would violate confidentiality under Ethics Rules 6.5 and 6.9. Chair Fields
 - i. Case No. 2024-12, alleging violations of Ethics Rule 2, Campaign Finance;
 - ii. Case No. 2023-27, alleging violations of Ethics Rule 4, Conflicts of Interest;
 - iii. Case No. 2022-25, alleging violations of Ethics Rule 2, Campaign Finance;
 - iv. Case No. 2024-26, alleging violations of Ethics Rule 2, Campaign Finance; and

v. Complaint Numbers:

C-23-4
C-23-25
C-23-26
C-24-4
C-24-5
C-24-14
C-24-16
C-24-28
C-24-37

Statement by Attorney: The information to be discussed in Executive Session requires confidential communications between the Ethics Commission and its attorney(s) concerning pending investigations, claims, or actions, the disclosure of which would seriously impair the ability of the Ethics Commission to process the claim or conduct a pending investigation, litigation, or proceeding in the public interest or violate confidentially requirements under Ethics Rules 6.5 and 6.9.

a. Vote to enter Executive Session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION pursuant to 25 O.S. 2021, § 307(B) (1, 4 & 7); *Chairman directs all other persons in attendance to the public meeting to exit the room until the Commission returns to regular session, and Commissioners will enter Executive Session; Chairman invites the public back into the room and waits for them to re-enter and be seated.*

b. Vote to Exit Executive Session; and

c. Possible action on the numbered matters above discussed in Executive Session.

Prior to taking action, the Commissioners may consider, discuss, and act on the disqualification or recusal of a Commissioner or Commissioners pursuant to Ethics Rule 1.6 for any item listed in this agenda for Executive Session. Margaret Kerr, General Counsel

8. Consideration, discussion, and possible action on registration and administration fees for The Guardian System for FY 2025 for the following entities. Chair Fields

a. Annual fee for lobbyists, legislative liaisons, and lobbyist principals

9. Chair Election. Nomination, consideration, and possible action on election of Commission Chair beginning the adjournment of this meeting.

10. Vice Chair Election. Nomination, consideration, and possible action on election of Commission Vice-Chair beginning the adjournment of this meeting.

11. Consideration, discussion, and possible action on dates, times, and locations for meetings of regularly scheduled Commission meetings for calendar year 2025 in accordance with Title 25 O.S. §311. Director Bruce Boone

The Commission historically meets the 2nd Friday of each month at 10:00 a.m. at the State Capitol. The Commission has indicated interest in shifting dates from Fridays to Thursdays next calendar year. The dates below are the second Thursdays of the month, except for December due to conflict with COGEL Conference. Other dates, times, and locations for meetings during calendar year 2025 may be considered.

Thursday, January 9, 2025

Thursday, February 13, 2025

Thursday, March 13, 2025

Thursday, April 10, 2025

Thursday, May 8, 2025

Thursday, June 12, 2025

Thursday, July 10, 2025

Thursday, August 14, 2025

Thursday, September 11, 2025

Thursday, October 9, 2025

Thursday, November 13, 2025

Thursday, December 4, 2025

12. New Business. This business, in accordance with Oklahoma Statutes, Title 25, § 311(A)(10) is limited to any matter not known about or which could have not been reasonably foreseen prior to the time of posting of this agenda. Chair Fields

13. Adjournment. Chair Fields

-NEXT REGULAR MEETING-

December 6, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

Oklahoma State Capitol, Rm. G-3

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73013

NOTICE: The Ethics Commission may decide not to discuss any item listed on the agenda. As used herein, "possible action" includes, but is not limited to, approval, authorization, adoption, amendment, rejection, dismissal, denial, no action, or tabling of an item for disposition at a later date. To submit comments about open-session agenda items or proposed agenda items for a later Commission meeting date, email ethics@ethics.ok.gov.