

**Strengthening Youth Custody & Transition Services  
Advisory Committee**

**Regular Meeting  
Wednesday, May 25, 2022  
10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

**Attendees:** Jason Charles, Ariel Moore, James (Tony) Willis, Angie Rogers, James Boykin, Kathy Taylor, Triton Mayberry, Erica Robinson, Tammy Smith, Amy Martin, Bel Smith, Penny Sanders, Jonathan Stoll, Nicole George, Isabel Rodriguez, Ellen Lohrenz

**I. Welcome and Introductions**

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 by Chair Jason Charles

**II. Partner Presentation**

**Ariel Moore, Senior Director, Center for Social Innovation, OSU-OKC**

- CFSI's mission: To transform lives through education, support, and professional development
- Program started in 2020, grant funded through the Gaylord Foundation
- Program Overview:
  - i. 2 semesters on campus (August through May)
  - ii. 25-35 students per cohort
  - iii. Students must have GED/H.S. diploma
  - iv. Student must have overcome social barrier (including but not limited to incarceration, foster care, OJA involvement, addiction, etc.)
  - v. Have long term proven resilience
  - vi. Demonstrate college readiness
- Program provides laptops, school supplies, daily lunches, connection to community resources, tutoring, tuition, image consulting, life coaching and a monthly stipend of \$1000.
- Provides internship program, based on student interest. (Ex: Student has a good job, but not in a career they like or want to remain in long-term.)
- Limited enrollment for individuals 20 years or older, students may apply thru this weblink: [www.osuokc.edu/cfsi/apply](http://www.osuokc.edu/cfsi/apply)
- Website and YouTube links: [www.osuokc.edu/cfsi](http://www.osuokc.edu/cfsi)  
[www.osuokc.edu/cfsihttps://youtu.be/AWCtL4Rjin8](https://youtu.be/AWCtL4Rjin8)

**III. Workgroup Updates**

- **Resources Workgroup:** Jonathan Stoll reported that progress has been made in ensuring that youth exiting custody/care will have their birth certificates and state ID physically stored in the Sequoia Building. Jonathan is building connections at the federal level working with Sixto Consulting to ensure that federal ID such as Social Security cards are accessible for youth.
- **Policy Workgroup:** Nicole George reported no progress on financial accounts for youth exiting custody/care. Jason Charles suggested that workers contact local banking institutions where relationships are already established and work directly with them.
- **Mentoring Workgroup:** Nicole reported on updates from the Institute for Research and Training to create online mentor training. She is working with OMES to determine next steps to get approval for using an online platform and RFP process.

#### IV. Partner Announcements & updates

- **Triton Mayberry:** COJC's transition is complete and ribbon cutting will be on June 17<sup>th</sup>. The career tech teachers have been hired and classes will begin at the fall semester.
- **James Boykin:** James is the Employment Programs Coordinator for Goodwill Industries of Central Oklahoma. The Career Pathways Institute offers skill-based training through certificate programs. Programs for youth, formerly incarcerated and veterans are available, including 12-week apprenticeships and a youth employment camp for students this summer. All programs are no cost for participants. <https://okgoodwill.org/youth-employment-preparation-program/> [jboykin@okgoodwill.org](mailto:jboykin@okgoodwill.org)
- **OKSA Teen Conference (Registration ends May 30th) June 15<sup>th</sup> – June 17<sup>th</sup>, sponsors are needed.** [NRCYS :: Teen Conference \(ou.edu\)](#) Questions: [oksaevents@ou.edu](mailto:oksaevents@ou.edu)
- **Erica Robinson (Youth Villages):** Intercept services have expanded into the lobby area, they are working with DHS's Enhanced Foster Care to stabilize placements and permanency.

#### V. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 11:22

Next meeting date: July 27, 2022 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.  
Hybrid Format