Board of Juvenile Affairs Meeting





Proposed minutes for the January 21, 2023 board meeting

Meeting Minutes January 17, 2023

Board Members Present

Bart Bouse
Amy Emerson
Janet Foss
Stephen Grissom
Timothy Tardibono (arrived 10:44 a.m.)
Jenna Worthen
Karen Youngblood

Absent

Colleen Johnson Mautra Jones

Call to Order

Secretary Rockwell called the January 17, 2023 Board of Juvenile Affairs and Board of Oklahoma Youth Academy Charter School meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. and requested a roll call.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Mental and behavioral health challenges and treatment for juvenile justice-involved youth

Ms. Shel Millington, LPC-S, Director of Behavioral Health; and Dr. Yemi Adeyiga, Ph.D., Lead Psychologist; discussed the attached presentation.

Dr. Grissom: We bought the MAYSI for every detention center and group home in the state, it is a screener, are we not doing the MAYSI?

Ms. Millington: I believe we are conducting the MAYSI, the direction of this screener is to be more in depth.

Dr. Grissom: So, this is a follow-up, a bigger screener?

Ms. Millington: Correct.

Mr. Bouse: How is this any different from Systems of Care/Comprehensive Home-Based Services (CHBS), which have been in use for years. Be very specific because I don't see any difference? We have been doing If you look at the definitions of the two, they are almost identical.

Ms. Millington: I am thinking, and correct me, you are meaning the similarities between FFT and Systems of Care/CHBS?

Mr. Bouse: Yes.

Ms. Millington: Systems of Care (SSC)/CHBS is not across every county so access to in-home SSC/CHBS is not across the state. There is always a utility of Systems of Care. The difference of terms of treatment outcomes. Systems of Care does not have the same outcomes as FFT. If you look at the reduction in funding, reduction in substance use, and the maintaining within the community FFT has better outcomes to show the utility compared to CHBS/Systems of Care.

Mr. Bouse: It still doesn't tell me the difference. What drives that difference in outcomes? What are we providing that is different than Systems of Care?

Dr. Adeyiga: If I may, I think what FFT also brings to the table that is different, is the cultural outcomes. There are cultures that are diverse, and we need treatment from that aspect, which FFT brings to the table. This separates FFT from Systems of Care.

Mr. Bouse: I guess I still don't see it. Systems of Care is individual plan, we take the family situation, the school, and the family. I appreciate that and you added to that, but you still didn't tell me how it is different.

Dr. Grissom: FFT is a separate model and when we implement FFT, it is that same model happening everywhere. Systems of Care is fooled with, it depends on who is at the table, what county, and what things they do. Systems of Care is not a model, it is a process of bringing people to the table. FFT is a set model that is followed. You've got greater consistency; I like the word fidelity.

Ms. Millington: Correct.

Mr. Bouse: You are still going to have those same problems, correct?

Dr. Grissom: You have some variability between providers but unlike Systems of Care, they are all FFT. The stuff we saw on the presentation about outcome data showing reduced offending and increased engagement school that comes from a model being consistently modeled across sites. If we were doing MST, they would show the same consistencies. We don't do MST because they don't want to work with a lot of the families we have, FFT will take them. Both of those are specific models. Systems of Care is a general process.

Ms. Millington: Right.

Mr. Bouse: I think I would like to see more data. Systems of Care still implements the counseling, the situation, the cultural. I don't know this model, if you are not using the same people, how do you have the same system. I have a lot of questions.

Dr. Grissom: Systems of Care is not an evidence-based model.

Ms. Millington and Dr. Adeyiga: Right. It is not.

Dr. Grissom: There is not outcome data showing it produces the outcomes that we want.

Mr. Bouse: I am not sure that is true, but I don't have that in front of me. I think it has been successful.

Dr. Grissom: Being successful and being evidenced-based program are by definition not the same thing.

Dr. Adeyiga: I think that is what we are actually doing, letting research and science inform what we do as an agency. There is a difference of a success rate of 60% v. 90%, and 90% is better than 60%. This is what FFT provides is a higher success rate.

Mr. Bouse: How will we track outcome when we don't even have recidivism data?

Ms. Millington: I would say, we want to do that exactly that. What we have done, is tracking referrals, and following up with the family. We are in the infancy in showing true outcomes. We are doing exactly that. To highlight what Dr. Grissom was saying, to me, FFT is an intervention. This is particularly looking at particular domains, Systems of Care and CHBS have a lot of utility, whereas FFT is an intervention. Happy to look at Systems of Care/CHBS data is available, if they will share it with us, what outcomes they have and compare it to FFT.

Judge Foss: I'm a former judge out of Cleveland County. Systems of Care/CHBS, what I saw, are programs that are primarily used in deprived cases as opposed delinquent or even youthful offender. The program we are talking about now can be used for prevention or even community once you release. Is this program also something for children adjudicated as deprived or something directed toward our population?

Ms. Millington: Thank you for that question. Initially, we want it to impact OJA, the funding is to OJA for OJA involved families. But we do not want a family to be involved with OJA to get FFT, for what we have done for every non-Bureau County, how can a school make a referral to OJA so that it is still in the funding stream? Bureau counties are different.

Dr. Grissom: There is a youth, but there is a question of competency. Youth is found not competent; they can still be adjudicated as In Need of Supervision and access FFT?

Ms. Millington: Yes sir.

Dr. Grissom: That is important. As we do competency cases, which is a passion of mine, when youth are found not competent, there are a lot of what do we do questions. They can access FFT, in non-bureau counties?

Ms. Millington: Correct. We are working on access in bureau counties. For example, Tulsa County, saw a need in wanting to serve bureau and non-bureau cases. There was a separate funding stream that got awarded to Apple Seed. We consulted with them on how to provide FFT to those bureau families to the preventive cases and work in tandem with Tulsa County. Trying to be very inclusive and creative but be responsible to the funding mechanism and reporting back that it does affect OJA families. Does that answer your question?

Judge Foss: It does. In Need of Supervision as a category is almost extinct. I don't know how that fits into this scheme. That is just an observation.

Dr. Grissom: I see that as a part of the notion of prevention. I think you and I are on the same page.

Ms. Millington: I think we are to and as we went to those other counties, we talked about how do you open up a JOLTS case but not have to have a formal judicial action. This is how you can click the right boxes to have access, but you don't have to have a family further penetrating the juvenile justice system. So being very creative in checking all those boxes.

Presentation continued.

Mr. Bouse: When are you going to be online in these 3 locations?

Ms. Millington: We are.

Mr. Bouse: How long have you been online?

Ms. Millington: Since July of 2022.

Mr. Bouse: What is the plan for the remaining counties? What agencies will you utilize? Is there funding? What is the intended rollout?

Ms. Millington: Yes. So currently, I hope Kevin Clagg is on, we have a continuous Request for Proposal open for any agency that wants to apply when they are ready. When you talk about an evidence-based treatment you have to think of agency readiness, you have to have time for training, consultation. FFT is a different type of model because you have to be in the family's home 6 times a week. That is the goal for 2023 instead of 29 counties, 77 counties.

Mr. Bouse: How do we roll that out in no man's land?

Ms. Millington: One thing, I want to applaud the district supervisors for doing, we've talked to the district supervisors and said you all know your geographic area far better than we do please talk to who is serving and doing a good job about this funding and this application and encourage them to apply. That is truly why we were able to connect with the Jetty agency that is serving a lot of rural areas. Because local workers said Jetty does a great job with our families. They don't have the financial ability to get an evidence-based training, let alone provide an EBT. So, that is what is happening. In the northeast pocket, you see Tracie Goad knocking on people's doors saying we want FFT, she convinced CREOKS to expand their catchment area. In terms of rollout, it is relying on those community experts speaking to those different agencies about this real funding, apply, and you will be able to have a way serve families that you haven't had before. That is what we have heard from a lot of agencies is, this is something I feel so successful in implementing that has been different than other services we have had before.

Director Holt: Also, in the rates, there is a transportation rate, so we do compensate them to travel to multiple counties. Also, within that funding is the possibility that to get to 77 counties, is that OJA itself can employ clinicians and house them in the community or deploy them as needed.

Ms. Millington: Correct.

Mr. Bouse: When we were talking detention supports, the other thing that strikes me is if we are trying to incorporate the community and everything is if you have a Tulsa County youth in a Woodward County detention center, how does that work?

Director Holt: During that interim study, DMH was in the room, that is when they heard some of these struggles. In addition to the MAYSI screening, DMH is working to create a screener for DMH staff/contractor giving that screener to all kids knowing their home county and sometimes those kids are released without charges or on deferred. DMH would assess their needs and the need for a community plan.

Ms. Millington: I would also add, I had the privilege of Twyla Snider asking me to come to the last OJDA meeting. I talked at length about FFT and gave them information about where FFT is available, so that they can flag we need FFT for this family. Trying to get the message out to ensure that everyone that needs FFT can have access to FFT.

Judge Foss: I really appreciate you all being here, and I am glad that you are telling us what we're doing and what programs are being developed. I sometimes feel when I am sitting here, I am in this void of what are we really doing. You are probably well aware we received a letter from OIDS about a child. Just looking at it, it raised a lot of concerns for me. I am talking strictly about secure placement. That letter raised a lot of issues for me. One of them was, we are trying to move towards a treatment model rather than a corrections model. Yet, you have two different types of populations, delinquent, and a youthful offenders. From a treatment standpoint do you a see difference between those two?

Ms. Millington: So, clinically, no. If I were to look at a young person's evaluation, psychologically and diagnostic information for a juvenile delinquent or youthful offender I can create very similar treatment

plans, diagnostically. The differences to me, is maturity level, our juvenile delinquents might be younger. You are talking about a 15-year-old compared to a 17–18-year-old.

Dr. Adeyiga: You nailed it. It is really difficult, sometimes you cannot separate treatment. You are looking at the needs, to come up with treatment interventions.

Judge Foss: How much weight do you give to the offense that the juvenile is charged with. For me, that kind of from a legal standpoint differentiates out, youthful offenders tend to be more serious where delinquents are more incorrigibles.

Ms. Millington: I would say clinically, in my individual and family therapy service delivery I would not vary a lot by offense. Where I will vary a lot is programming. Clinically, I'll speak about a case I had at COJC; I was serving a young person adjudicated manslaughter. Clinically, this young person had PTSD, my clinical work and intervention was reducing active trauma symptoms. When I would do family and psycho education that was his clinical need. When it comes to not leaving the offense without any dialogue, that was a huge component of treatment. It was very heavy on that young person on what had occurred. For me programming is quite different based on offense. Service clinical delivery is going to be based on what they need diagnostically what do they need.

Dr. Adeyiga: In addition to what Shel said, we have a kid that came in with serve psychotic symptoms, those are severe. This kid is a youthful offender, we have to deal with treatment based on clinical needs rather than the crime. If we just focus on the charges, we will not meet clinical needs.

Dr. Grissom: There is a fundamental difference we have to acknowledge, an offense is a thing that has happened, we don't treat things that have happen. We treat the people that have done them and have been impacted by them. When you are looking at the clinical treatment, what deficits need to be remedied. When it comes to the offenses themselves, as part of the clinical treatment is there an empathy deficit can be addressed. If it can't, the prognosis is poor. If it can, then we can talk restorative justice and there are specific things you can add as interventions to address those restorative things. Sometimes, the nature of the crime prevents that from some aspects from happening. I tried to get a community together where there were numerous families were impacted by the crime, and the boy who had done a really bad thing was at the point where ownership and responsibility, he was there but the families were not there. We could not do some of those interactions that is sometimes beneficial. That is how we work crimes into it, we don't treat the crimes we look at the impact of the crime.

Ms. Millington: That is very well said.

Judge Foss: I think, in the difficulty in the system, is that you have a legal system that you have to deal with on top of the treatment or therapy that you are trying to provide. They are not voluntarily there, they are court ordered, and there is all kinds of conflict about that. The thing that hit me about the case that brought us here, with YOs is that there is a DOC element and if you don't comply with the program, whoever is defining that, were going to bridge you over and you are going to have to go back, and the judge will have to sentence you. Is the agency recommending motions to bridge, this is a problem? If

you have a kid in treatment and you are trying to work with them, but they are not complying, being difficult, assaulting staff doing whatever it becomes punitive. We are going to file a motion to bridge, apparently this is happening, and it is not being filed by the DAs it is being filed by our attorney. Now, we have a law effective Nov. 1 that says we have standing to do that.

Director Holt: For clarification, with all cases, when we have these higher level, aggressive, assaultive kids, if they are youthful offenders, we immediately staff with the home county staff to make them aware, allow them to communicate the district attorney in their home county to know this child is not behaving appropriately for what the expectations of youthful offender or any child. With that DA, having that information, that DA can make a decision on whether to proceed with a bridge, ask for more information or reviews/staffings. There are some instances where the local district attorney either chooses not to or doesn't know how to file a motion to bridge, if that youthful offender is a true disruption to the facility, assaultive to staff or other residents to the point where our staff are or we don't have staff left, where the rest of the children in the milieu are not receiving any treatment because they are constantly in chaos we have chosen to file a motion to bridge. It was in the youthful offender act, prior to the November 1 re-writes and remained in it after that.

Judge Foss: I think that is debatable from a legal standpoint. I think there is argument to be made regarding the statute that existed at the time when some of these motions were filed.

Director Holt: Currently, OJA is not actively involved in any motions to bridge. Again, we would only do that in these extreme cases when the youthful offender is causing disruption to the facility. The district attorney is unwilling or unable to file. We do that sparingly, and we are currently on none, and we don't plan on being on any in the future. But, the youthful offender re-write, gave us continued authority to do that when necessary.

Ms. Millington: Clinically, we are doing everything we can to help that young person engage in therapeutic intervention and programming. That is when we flag that intensive treatment plan meeting, we are talking specific to COJC, we talk the unit manager, the juvenile justice specialist, the assigned behavioral health clinician and talk overall what is happening and what, individually, do we need to do to help this young person engage and get that treatment, the coping skills, and awareness on how to change behaviors. Like, the youth we talked about at the ER, the conversations digging in clinically to help this person.

Judge Foss: It is like you were saying, we can now go do your own psychological evaluation, they already had one, right through a certification?

Ms. Millington and Dr. Adeyiga: Possibly.

Judge Foss: I thought those were mandatory?

Director Holt: Not if there is not a certification study, if the court, the child, and the DA agree that the youth is going to plea to a youthful offender, then they just plea without a certification study.

Judge Foss: Can they stipulate without any specific findings?

Director Holt: This is even more clear in the November 1 re-writes, if you are charged as a youthful offender, then you are presumed to be a youthful offender.

Judge Foss: Right.

Director Holt: Those 7 elements only come into play if the state is trying to make you an adult or if the youthful offender is trying to become a juvenile. If you are charged as a youthful offender, you are presumed to be a youthful offender. The vast majority of youthful offender cases plea as youthful offenders.

Judge Foss: Then they can stipulate to treatment in the juvenile system.

Director Holt: If they are adjudicated as a youthful offender, they come into OJA custody or supervision.

Judge Foss: So, there may not be an amenability finding.

Director Holt: Right.

Judge Foss: That is a problem.

Mr. Tardibono: Madam Chair, we are going a little over, wearing my lawyer hat, that is a topic that needs to be put on a different agenda.

Dr. Grissom: For the sake of presentation, when you make the observation that when youth are in youthful offender status, the fact of the matter is, they have the opportunity to work within the treatments provided so that the get out from under adult consequences. That is the big carrot for the youthful offender program. If they will not or cannot for whatever reason, engage or improve then they have an adult sentence hanging over them. While none of us want it to go there, sometimes it needs to because they cannot or will not.

Judge Foss: My concern is why should OJA be doing that when they are supposed to be providing treatment as opposed to just letting the DA just do it.

Dr. Grissom: It is an imperfect world, and when there are DAs who cannot or will not do their job.

Mr. Tardibono: We're overreaching.

Director Holt: We are getting beyond the scope of the topic.

Mr. Tardibono: You mentioned 77 counties, are we standardizing criteria for someone to be eligible to provide these services, are we helping people get functional ready to serve?

Ms. Millington: O, yes.

Mr. Tardibono: How are we doing that?

Ms. Millington: A few things, if there is ever an inquiry or a desire to apply for the funding, we have to make sure every applicant, and Laura can correct me, gets the same answers to the same questions. We had a virtual meeting, and it is posted on the website, and answered all the FAQs. Also, an applying agency has the ability to meet with FFT themselves, which we are not a part of. Lots of different ways for an agency to get the necessary information.

Mr. Tardibono: In Bart's example, of no man's land, do we just say go swim on your own, or are we helpful on how to swim?

Ms. Millington: We've been helpful on how to swim. In rural areas there are provider shortage, FFT would prefer a full-time FFT clinician, but in times of creativity, there are part-time or contract providers that could step in to fill a need. FFT has input on how, but we have flexibility.

Mr. Tardibono: On the back end, how are we monitoring performance and standards?

Ms. Millington: Thank you for that question. First, OJA is tracking every referral for FFT. FFT, has a system called CSS, where the FFT assigned consultant is tracking that particular provider's adherence to the model. It is an online platform, for the clinicians providing FFT have to essentially report on progress, what phase they are at, how quickly a family is moving through the phases. That is where FFT can assist a provider, who may not be effective in the model yet, get the consultation to improve. This is a new skillset for a lot of clinicians. We are tracking FFT tracks. We also have provider meetings every couple month with each agency and FFT to talk about how this is going, answer agency questions, have our agency questions. We have also set up quarterly, with the districts and counties currently being served about how it is going. Trying to be very hands on how this is going.

Director Holt: Fidelity.

Ms. Millington: Fidelity.

Mr. Tardibono: From our end, I know that we have done rates and standards, do we have the funding?

Director Holt: Yes, we have the OMMA funding, that we may be able to expand. Also, this is so important to OJA, we would ask for appropriations.

Ms. Worthen: The Governor, announced in his earliest days, that focus on families is his top priority. So, I would imagine there would be political will there to meet our appropriation. You said that we are already in 29 of 77 counties, I just want to applaud you that a state provided program went from July of 2022 to now in 29 counties is an insurmountable feat that I am so impressed and blown away by. So,

congratulations, that is an incredible, incredible achievement. I look forward to the other 77 counties. It is just so clear by your knowledge and expertise that these kids are at the center of this treatment. I just really enjoyed that. 29 of 77 I am just blown away.

Chair Youngblood: Absolutely.

Dr. Grissom: Two things, the utilization of district supervisors, you mentioned Tracie Goad, that is northeast, part of getting to 29 is getting an agency like CREOKS, and they have active clinicians. Grand, which used to be Grand Lake, they are building and growing, I hope we are going there as well. I don't know how receptive they are.

Ms. Millington: Every time, we have this list serve of each agency, each agency is made aware of when each RFP is announced. What we did is get with each district supervisor and assistant district supervisors to make sure we have accurate email addresses.

Dr. Grissom: In addition to FFT, once we talk DBT, it is a smaller set of folks.

Ms. Millington: It is on my list.

Dr. Grissom: It is the same network, but smaller. DBT was originally created to diagnosis suicidality, and then there was a wave of studies, it has been expanded to borderline personality and substance abuse disorders. It is very powerful, probably requires a higher level of training but still the group of kids that causes us the most difficulty.

Ms. Millington: Hence, the let's get it into secure care.

Dr. Adeyiga: If you randomly select, 7 out of 10 kids have experienced significant trauma.

Judge Foss: You had indicated, a collaborate effort without other agencies, and you talked about you cannot access treatment beds. What are those denials based on, what do they say?

Ms. Millington: I think a very real, concern and issue is a staffing at many of these facilities, a lot of nursing staff there was a higher rate during Covid, and staffing changed during Covid, and the desire to work with those groups. There is a lack of staffing ratios. What we hear most consistently, is that they are too aggressive, there is an awareness and subsequent denial if they hear OJA is involved. There is a perception that it is not mental health but delinquency. Other denials, if there is illegal sexual behavior, but what we hear most frequently is we can't serve them based on their aggression or legal involvement.

Director Holt: The denials are coming from the providers and DMH and Health Care Authority are actively on those calls with us. It is not a lack of collaboration.

Ms. Millington: Correct. Not at all they are very helpful.

Dr. Adeyiga: Many a times, they will tell us they have beds until they know where the kids are coming from.

Judge Foss: So, they have a label is doing it.

Dr. Grissom: So, historical knowledge, because of this predictability we developed a mental health stabilization unit in house. On one hand, it is very sad but on the other hand, if I was running a mental health treatment program, and I knew, there was a youth that had a high probability of harming other residents or staff, I can't blame them. Some people are more intense about that.

Chair Youngblood: Do we still have the unit that you are talking about?

Director Holt and Dr. Grissom: No.

Ms. Millington: We also have active efforts in our crisis management in secure care.

Judge Foss: In that, you are talking about the male population. What do we with the females that are having difficulties with?

Ms. Millington: I think the active collaboration with Health Care Authority and the Department of Mental Health. I love the thought of DMH to have those URCs. In the secure care for girls, we do have really good, small census numbers to ensure they are getting a lot of dosages of treatment from the provider. Programmatically, doing a lot of impressive stuff, I am sure you have been but if you haven't it would be awesome to walk through Scissortail Landing and look at their VoTech and CareerTech programs. At COJC, we have a higher population a lot of different needs, the creation of the anger management unit, crisis management unit is able to help us with the census of 61 better to address that high number. Compared to 6 at Landing, and Point is a co-ed facility.

Dr. Emerson: I have a quick question about the data, I am just curious in working with FFT, LLC, who owns that data? Is it a shared ownership, would we look long term, what can they do with that data? Is it deidentified?

Ms. Millington: Early on, everyone knows the wonderful Len Morris, we had a sit down with FFT, LLC to talk specifically about data sharing. He was exposed to their tracking system and making sure they are exposed to our tracking system, but they do not have access to JOLTS. It is an active, and what parental consents that must be obtained but it is a work in progress.

Mr. Bouse: This may have been obvious, let's say you have an Oklahoma/Tulsa County youth in a Garfield County detention center, you don't have FFT in Garfield County. Can the detention enter contact the home county to say we need FFT services? I think, the most component, in my mind, is getting mental health services for those youth in secure detention. We have a real problem with that and problems there. I do think youth outside of detention are getting counseling, but those in detention, I think it is a

neat component, and I am excited about that. Can they go through their home county and get those services started there?

Ms. Millington: Yes, we are in Garfield County.

Mr. Bouse: I didn't see that on the list, I may have missed it.

Ms. Millington: Yes, what FFT has the duty of doing, especially with re-entry, which is similar to detention, is starting that support to the youth and the family at the same time. Let's say there is not active FFT services in Craig County, what we would do, is ask the provider that is most geographically close, to see if your clinician, have the ability to serve this case? That is what we were able to with CREOKS to move into Washington and Nowata County. It is just being creative to accomplish that until we are in all 77 counties.

Chair Youngblood: Are there any other questions? We get a lot of presentations and a lot of information, and I love it when we have different things brought to us. I have learned so much today. I am just impressed with where we are going. I cannot identify enough with your comment, that secure care is not mental health care. Judge Foss and I were talking the other day about how DOC is the largest mental health care facility and we do not want to become the same kind of thing but yet, our kids commit crimes because of their mental health status, it is all interwoven and we have to address it. I am excited about this program. Like Mr. Bouse said, wow, exciting and we need to see this. Of course, there is always room for improvement on our end, on our partners' end, and on collaboration. It's neat to see how much we are working with DHS and the Department of Mental Health. I want to applaud you; this is one of the most informative presentations we have had in quite a while and stop apologizing for standing up here and telling us more.

Ms. Millington: I am so sorry.

Chair Youngblood: No, do not. This was really necessary and informative. I even appreciate the letter that got it started so we could be exposed to the things we are doing. I am glad we have the funding to not only see this start but continue to grow. Thank you very much.

Director's Report

Rachel discussed the attached report.

Election of the 2023 Board of Juvenile Affairs Chair

Dr. Grissom nominated Karen Youngblood, with a second by Judge Foss

No other nominations received.

Aye: Bouse, Emerson, Foss, Grissom, Tardibono, Worthen, and Youngblood

Nay: Abstain: Absent: Johnson and Jones

Ms. Karen Youngblood elected 2023 Board of Juvenile Affairs Chair.

Election of the 2023 Board of Juvenile Affairs Vice Chair

Dr. Grissom nominated Timothy Tardibono with a second by Mr. Bouse

No other nominations received.

Aye: Bouse, Emerson, Foss, Grissom, Tardibono, Worthen, and Youngblood

Nay: Abstain:

Absent: Johnson and Jones

Mr. Timothy Tardibono elected 2023 Board of Juvenile Affairs Vice Chair.

<u>Discussion and/or possible vote to amend and/or approve the proposed minutes for the December 15, 2022 special board meeting</u>

Ms. Worthen moved to approved with a second by Mr. Bouse

Aye: Bouse, Emerson, Foss, Grissom, Tardibono, and Worthen

Nay:

Abstain: Youngblood

Absent: Johnson and Jones

The proposed minutes for the December 15, 2022 special board meeting approved.

<u>Discussion and possible vote to amend and/or adopt the proposed 2023 legislative session agenda</u> Ms. Constanzia Nizza, Chief of Staff, gave a brief synopsis of the OJA legislative agenda.

Mr. Tardibono: How much does one of those studies usually cost?

Director Holt: These are these are the certification studies in youthful offender cases, when they are trying to make the youthful offender either an adult or a juvenile, we do that, OJA does that internally through our assessment team does the psychological evaluation, and then, our local county staff answers the 7 amenability questions. It is a big expense to the agency, and it is something we have absorbed through our budget, it has helped make those reports uniform across the state, and it allows for those accessing the report to have the same information. But, through the youthful offender rewrite, the juvenile section was amended to read may but the part with the state stated shall. It is ordered so rarely; it is no dent to our budget. As Judge Foss pointed out, we then have quality evaluations when those kids come to OJA.

Mr. Bouse: Are we expecting anything else that would affect OJA?

Chief of Staff Nizza: Not that I am aware of, but we will touch base on this next month as well.

Ms. Worthen: There may be bills we need to help with as well, I have asked her to keep us posted on that as well.

Ms. Worthen moved to approve with a second by Judge Foss

Aye: Bouse, Emerson, Foss, Grissom, Tardibono, Worthen, and Youngblood

Nay: Abstain:

Absent: Johnson and Jones

The proposed 2023 legislative session agenda approved.

<u>Discussion and/or possible vote to award, and/or adjust proposed award of Juvenile Detention</u> <u>Improvement Revolving funds to the Woodward County Juvenile Detention Center for security door</u> maintenance in the amount of \$22,542.41

CFO Clagg discussed the attached presentation.

Mr. Tardibono: Do you know, with these locks, is it electronic system if all the doors or individual doors can be opened electronically?

CFO Clagg: Normally that is how it works, but I will have to verify that it is both electronic and mechanical.

Mr. Tardibono: Some adult detention centers don't always have that option. If you will check to see if that it is done.

CFO Clagg: I was under the impression that was a fire marshal requirement. I will verify that is the case.

Mr. Tardibono moved to approve with a second by Dr. Grissom

Aye: Bouse, Emerson, Foss, Grissom, Tardibono, Worthen, and Youngblood

Nay: Abstain:

Absent: Johnson and Jones

The proposed award of Juvenile Detention Improvement Revolving funds to the Woodward County Juvenile Detention Center for security door maintenance in the amount of \$22,542.41 approved.

Update on the Next Generation Campus Project

A quick video of the ongoing project was played, and CFO Clagg discussed the attached presentation.

<u>Discussion and/or possible vote to approve the year-to-date OJA Finance Report</u> CFO Clagg presented the attached finance report.

Judge Foss moved to approve with a second by Ms. Worthen

Aye: Bouse, Emerson, Foss, Grissom, Tardibono, Worthen, and Youngblood

Nay: Abstain:

Absent: Johnson and Jones

The year-to-date OJA Finance Report approved.

<u>Discussion and/or possible vote to amend and/or approve the 2022-23 year-to-date, FY2023, Oklahoma Youth Academy Charter School Finance Report</u>

Ms. Worthen moved to approve with a second by Judge Foss

Aye: Bouse, Emerson, Foss, Grissom, Tardibono, Worthen, and Youngblood

Nay: Abstain:

Absent: Johnson and Jones

The 2022-23 year-to-date, FY2023, Oklahoma Youth Academy Charter School Finance Report approved.

<u>Discussion and/or possible vote to amend and/or approve modifications to the 2022-23, FY2023, encumbrances for the Oklahoma Youth Academy Charter School</u>

Ms. Worthen moved to approve with a second by Judge Foss

Aye: Bouse, Emerson, Foss, Grissom, Tardibono, Worthen, and Youngblood

Nay: Abstain:

Absent: Johnson and Jones

The modifications to the 2022-23, FY2023, encumbrances for the Oklahoma Youth Academy Charter School were approved.

Executive Session

N/A

Discussion and possible vote to return to regular session

N/A

<u>Discussion and/or possible vote on items arising from executive session</u> N/A

Announcements/ comments

Judge Foss: I would just say, thank you to Rachel Holt for putting together this great presentation. Cause Rachel and I don't always agree, but we can talk but I do appreciate it and I appreciate what is going on.

Chair Youngblood: I love that. I love that we don't have a rubber-stamping board. We have a board that jumps into committee work, reviews their packet, and brings forward their opinions, perspectives, beliefs, and passions so thank you for that. As we enter into another year, we do appreciate our executive director and the leadership that you have shown. We look forward to another year of great information and moving things forward in a treatment centered focus.

New business

There was no new business.

Adjournment

Dr. Grissom moved to adjourn with a second by Mr	. Bouse
Aye: Bouse, Emerson, Foss, Grissom, Tardibono, Wo Nay: Abstain: Absent: Johnson and Jones	orthen, and Youngblood
Chair Youngblood adjourned the meeting at 12:14	p.m.
Minutes approved in regular session on the 21st day	y of February, 2023.
Prepared by:	Signed by:
Audrey Rockwell, Secretary	Karen Youngblood, Chair

Director's Report

FEBRUARY 2023 BOARD UPDATE

OJA Operations

- 1. COJC visits
- 2. COJC Music Therapy Presentation Intern Tristan Ryker
- 3. OYACS graduation ceremony
- 4. OYACS IEP meeting
- 5. Juvenile Service Unit District Supervisor / Assistant District Supervisor meeting (TEAMS)
- 6. Ending Isolation in Youth Facilities Certification Program TA meeting
- 7. Attended the Council of Juvenile Justice Administrators Winter Business Conference
- 8. Presented at the American Correctional Association Winter Conference
- 9. Attended shift change meetings at COJC for open staff discussions
- 10. Executive Team Quarterly Recharge Meeting
- 11. Presented OJA's Budget to the OK House of Representatives Children, Youth, and Families Appropriation Subcommittee
- 12. Met with Representative Lawson on 2023 legislation
- 13. Met with Representative John Talley
- 14. Met with Representative Dell Kerbs
- 15. Met with Representative Chris Kannady
- 16. Met with Senator Paul Rosino
- 17. Met with Representative Kevin West and Representative Nick Archer
- 18. Met with Representative Ajay Pittman
- 19. Met with Representative Danny Williams
- 20. Met with Senator Mary Boren

Partner Engagement

- 1. Director Jari Askins, Administrative Office of the Courts
- 2. Participated in OJA's Deputy Greg Delaney presentation to the Interdisciplinary Training Program in Child Abuse & Neglect class presentation (Zoom)
- 3. Met with District Attorney Vicki Behenna, District 7
- 4. Met with the Annie E. Casey and Casey Family Programs representatives
- 5. Dr. Peter Messiah, OAYS
- 6. Steve Lewis, OAYS
- 7. Youth Service Agencies/OJA Rates & Standards Meeting (Zoom)
- 8. Attended the Girl Scouts Western Oklahoma 19th Annual Juliette Low Leadership Society Luncheon



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January 1st to 31st 2023 activity

Releases (5) from Secure Care

January 2023

Intakes (7) for Secure Care

Paroled - 3

Intakes COJC - 5

Step down to Level E - 1

Secure Care Treatment Population as of 02/15/23: 65 residents (6 on pass)

Central Oklahoma Juvenile Center (COJC) facility events

- Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Day was celebrated with facility events of Cornhole and Soccer tournament.
- Kim Baker, Tulsa County Bureau Training Director attended Think Trauma training at the COJC training center and toured the campus.
- Through the generosity of Representative Talley, 4 youth and staff attended a FCA/OSU Gameday wrestling event on the OSU campus against Missouri.
- 14 new volunteers from Kairos Torch attended volunteer training and will begin mentoring COJC youth on Thursday nights. Preparations are underway for Kairos Torch weekend event.
- COMPASS employee support group held a hot soup contest at COJC for staff. Winner received a \$25.00 cash prize.
- Talent show held with guest drummer and Poetry and Chill.
- Music Therapist Joy Yocum delivered McDonalds to participants of the Talent Show.
- The COJC medical team presented a Wellness Event on Infection Control for COJC staff. The event was held to promote helping stop the spread of germs and learning how to keep yourself and family safe, participants received a goody bag with germ control products.
- Resident birthdays were celebrated on site with cakes donated by the St. John Lutheran Church.
- 27 Volunteers donated 65 hours of mentoring and religious services to COJC residents.
- Angel Little facilitated mural paintings sessions for cottages with resident input and assistance.
- Juvenile Council Meeting and Employee Council Meeting held.
- Leadership and Community phase residents enjoyed a special dinner night.
- Man Up and Justice League Basketball continues weekly.
- Religious services and bible studies were offed by community volunteers for all residents.

Division Leadership Activities

- Visited with residents and staff on site at COJC throughout the month. Zoey the therapy dog continues to interact with youth at COJC.
- The Health Department visited COJC food services for the annual health inspection for 2023, no violations were noted.
- Child Nutrition Administrative Review was completed at State Office and COJC. The auditors
 complimented the menu worksheets, production records and the HACCP program, plus the
 overall working environment of the COJC kitchen and food service specialist staff.
- Attended resident graduation at COJC for three residents.
- Arnall Family Foundation Mary Beth Buchanan and Jeff Robins toured COJC with OJA Deputy Director Carol Miller and OJA Executive Director Rachel Holt.

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- Attended Exit meeting from OCCY visit at COJC with Raegan Qualls.
- Attended kickoff to 2023 planning for ARTIC data, HOPE, and Family Engagement.
- Attended OCCY Strengthening Youth Custody & Transition Services Committee Meeting.
- Attended Webinar: Lead, Follow, Or Get Out of The Way.
- Participated in the COJC Care and Custody Management System (CCMS) Executive meeting.
- Participated in the OJA Parent Advisory Committee Meeting.
- Participated in weekly case/placement staffing meeting to assist in least restrictive placement.
- Held weekly TEAMS meetings with Division staff to ensure quality coverage of all liaison and oversight duties to ensure we are working toward division and agency goals.
- Participated in the weekly Personnel Strategy meeting to discuss approach for employee progressive discipline, coaching and retraining issues.
- Met weekly with COJC Superintendent to address goals, facility issues and full implementation of COJC Next Generation Campus upgrades.
- Continued OMMA grant meetings for substance abuse treatment with Shawnee and Norman Public Schools in efforts to support the community with education and treatment for Oklahoma youth and families. Current barriers are hiring qualified Substance Abuse Counselors.
- Attended confinement grant meeting ensuring forward progress in goals. Base of operation is COJC medical for LPNs to support detention centers and group homes with COVID mitigation plans, equipment and to assist in outbreaks.
- Participated in weekly OJA Executive Team meetings with State Office Leadership.
- Attended the January OJA Board Meeting in person.
- Assisted COJC with Juvenile Justice Specialist (JJS) and Behavioral Health Counselor (BHC) Interviews.

Recruitment and Retention Efforts

- Mental Health Supports have been increased by ensuring staff are aware of how to access the remarkable resources obtained through Support Linc the OJA Employee Instant Access Employee Assistance Program phone number and website.
- Employee Council meetings increased to monthly meetings with staff advocates assisting in presenting staff issues to reach solutions.
- COMPASS employee support group will host a meal event every month for staff on all shifts.
- OJA Recruiter continues to reach out to individuals through Indeed, Zip Recruiter and JazzHR for hard to fill positions.
- To assist with staff support following critical incidents, a team of COJC staff will be trained in Critical Incident Staff Management to ensure staff who are involved in traumatic incidents receive the tools which supports the recovery process and assess the need for additional or alternative services.
- The OJA training department is running back-to-back new employee trainings to support increasing the number of new hires and to increase the onboarding time of new hires.

Agency Collaborations

Department of Rehabilitative Services (DRS) – The embedded DRS staff is at COJC one time a
week to get residents enrolled with DRS. Currently 10 residents at COJC are in the paid work
program waiting list.

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- Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse (DMHSAS) Embedded DMH staff is creating reentry plans for youth and family to support mental heath needs upon parole of COJC youth.
- Workforce Innovation Board (COWIB) Workforce Work Study Program has moved forward for residents who have graduated or received their GED. Residents will be working on site at COJC and receiving pay funded under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunities Act (WIOA).
- OCCY/DRS/OYACS/OJA School to Work paid work program The School to work paid work program at COJC is underway. Residents who are currently enrolled in OYACS at COJC will work onsite at COJC and receive pay through DRS reimbursement. Program provides youth with a work resume, birth certificate, State ID and financial support upon parole from COJC.

COVID Update for January 2023

- COVID precautions for staff and residents continue in secure care to mitigate the chance of outbreaks in a congregate care setting.
- During January 2023 there were no juveniles positive for COVID.
- COVID does continue to affect staffing levels.



Janelle Bretten, Director of Strategic Planning and Engagement

Board Report February 2023

Science of Hope Initiative

- Executive Director Holt, Constanzia, Paula C., Kheri and hope navigators contributed to our new Science of Hope updates section in the OJA W.I.N., entitled the "Hope Corner." Kheri provided our first Hope Corner update for the Feb. 7th W.I.N.
- Kheri and I met regarding goals for hope treatment planning goals.
- Joined meeting with Kheri and hope navigator team for employee retention/well-being
- Joined meeting with Kheri and hope navigator team for JSU/secure care intake. The team has been
 working on a brochure for parents, potential language modifications to the intake letter, and getting
 feedback from employees, as well as plan for OJA's Parent Advisory Committee to review.
- Kheri is scheduled to share updates and next steps for hope at District 1, 3, and 7 meetings.

o Attitudes Related to Trauma-Informed Care (ARTIC) Organizational Survey

- Scheduled ARTIC presentations for JSU Districts 1, 3, and 7 to share baseline and timepoint 2 data comparison.
- Met with District 2 leadership team to preview ARTIC results.
- Met with District 1 leadership team to preview ARTIC results.

Family Engagement

- Apryl is working with Dana Masquat at COJC regarding secure care family engagement work and related PbS data.
- Apryl and I attended the Oklahoma Community of Practice (CoP): Developing and Sustaining Effective Parent Advisory Committees provided by OCCY.
- Apryl attended the National Center on Substance Abuse and Child Welfare Policy Academy Convening as part of work related to Thriving Families Safer Children (TFSC)
- Apryl and I attended the Level E Group Home operators meeting to introduce Apryl, as well as begin
 discussion about family engagement work to include strengths/what is working versus barriers and
 challenges to parent/caregiver visits and participation in youth's treatment planning at group
 homes.
- We had monthly meeting at the end of January with OJA's Parent Advisory Committee (PAC).
- Met with Apryl to identify and develop list of parent/caregiver resources that can be included on OJA website.
- Apryl will be presenting at District meetings and in partnership with JSU, develop family engagement goals.

Governor's Interagency Council on Homelessness (GICH)

- Attended GICH executive team meeting and planned agenda for next council meeting at Payne County Youth Services in February. Discussed plans for GICH strategic plan.
- Attended meeting regarding home supports for aging population.
- Attended the GICH housing subcommittee meeting.
- Attended OCCY's Homeless Children and Youth Steering Committee meeting.
- GICH Employment, Education, and Training team conducted the 6th of 8 Homeless Children and Youth Forums in partnership with the HUD Continuum of Care (CoC) in the SW CoC region. JSU included in invite to attend and recording/powerpoints also provided.

Children's State Advisory Workgroup (CSAW)

- Attended OCCY's Parent Partnership Board meeting with Apryl and CSAW's Cross systems
 Coordinator, Tayvon Lewis to present about the new trauma informed care website being built and
 asked for their feedback on content, navigation, and design of website.
- Chaired monthly CSAW meeting. Agenda included selection of two new CSAW co-chairs. Sharing updates on Thriving Families Safer children (TFSC); updates on trauma-informed care website, and presentation on updates with Handle with Care House Bill 2513.
- Attended trauma informed-care website content committee where work continues to develop logo and content for website.
- Attended multiple Thriving Families Safer Children planning meetings, one of which was led by Dan Cowen with Casey Families. Agendas include planning goals for 2023.
- Attended Oklahoma City Systems of Care Behavioral Health coalition meeting.
- Attended Oklahoma Mothers and Newborns Affected by Opioids (OMNO)/ Safely Advocating for Families Engaged in Recovery (SAFER) meeting.
- Attended monthly Systems of Care State Advisory Team meeting.

OJA Standing Meetings

 Executive Team, Executive Team Quarterly Recharge, Rates and Standards, data governance, JJS Support meetings, and Lunch and Learns.

Trainings

• Attended Campaign for Housing and Community Development Funding's webinar, "Funding for Affordable Housing in FY23 & Outlook for FY24".

Juvenile Service Unit Board Report for February 2023 Contacts and Activities for January 2023

Division Statistics

- 2,312 active cases...1,292 court involved including 437 youth in OJA custody
- > 324 new referrals-234 male and 90 female...average age 15.41
- 11,005 individual contact notes documented in JOLTS
- 22 youth activated and/or monitored by GPS
- > 39 new placement referrals received: 34 for Level E, 5 for secure care
- ➤ 20 youth placements made during the month: 20 to Level E, 0 to secure care
- ➤ A total of 20 youth paid \$1,836.30 in restitution and other fees

Deputy Director Activities

- Participated in Executive staff meetings
- Reviewed placement recommendations/participated in executive staffing's for high acuity and/or high-profile cases.
- Participated in meetings with CBS program staff and District Supervisors
- Participated in Personnel Strategy meetings with supervisory staff
- Participated in weekly administrative services meetings
- Met with District Supervisors to discuss updated YO treatment plan
- Met with Mike Lopez from Riverside Indian school to discuss area children services
- Attended a meeting regarding the 2nd ARTIC scoring for JSU and SO staff
- Attended a "restricted registry" meeting regarding abuse/neglect allegations
- Attended a meeting with group home providers regarding new "incentives"
- Participated in youth staffings with DHS personnel
- Attended a meeting regarding new "Workforce" staff for OJA
- Attended a COJC graduation ceremony via TEAMS
- Attended a funeral for a JSU worker's spouse
- Made a visit to the District 1 office
- Made a visit to Oklahoma County and Cleveland County detention centers
- Made a visit to Cornerstone and Lighthouse Group homes
- Attended an OJDA meeting via TEAMS
- Attended a meeting regarding McIntosh County CARS services
- Attended the District 6 staff meeting at Ft. Cobb Tech Center
- Attended the quarterly state PARB advisory board meeting
- Presented placement training on a Monday Morning Meeting
- Attended a meeting regarding new templates for Court reports, et al
- Conducted a statewide DS/CBS staff meeting covering numerous topics
- Attended a CuraLink Lunch and Learn presentation

- Attended a meeting regarding community services to girls at Scissortail Landing
- Attended a Parent Advisory Committee meeting
- Presented to the ITP program at the OU Health Sciences Center

Division Activities

- Jennifer Thatcher, JSD Program Assistant Administrator, had 26 GPS youth activations and monitoring cases for the month. She completed 2 URC Step Down/Extension request and had 1 new restitution application and 3 new claims. Ms. Thatcher also participated in multiple executive case staffings.
- Rex Boutwell, Placement Program Manager, received/processed 59 placement
 worksheets and placement referrals, including 54 for Level E group homes and 5 for
 secure care. He made visits to Oklahoma and Cleveland County detention centers and
 visited Lighthouse and Cornerstone Group homes. He participated in numerous
 executive placement staffings, appeal meetings and a DS/CBS meeting.
- O Jennifer Creecy, JSD Federal Funding Program Field Rep, reviewed 635 Targeted Case Management notes for Title XIX reimbursement. She attended Monday morning meetings and engaged in various calls and emails with field staff regarding TCM questions and needs. Ms. Creecy coordinated a TCM workshop for the Canadian County Juvenile Bureau and JBI. She met with Kheri Smith and Janelle Bretton for Hope treatment planning and attended the statewide DS/CBS meeting. She attended a virtual meeting with the Center of Medicare and Medicaid Services regarding the end of the Public Health Emergency's Continuous Coverage and reviewed a parole request.
- Jeremy Evans, JSD Level E/Detention Program Manager, visited Scissortail Pointe, Lighthouse and Cornerstone Group homes and visited the Oklahoma County and Cleveland County detention centers. Mr. Evans attended the District 6 staff meeting in Ft. Cobb. He chaired a statewide Group home providers meeting regarding Group home incentives and is participating in the Liaison program updates. He participated in multiple executive staffings.

District Activity Highlights from District 2 Supervisor Tracie Goad

Hope Navigator update from Bryan Clump... during the month of January I worked with Kheri Smith to finalize the Hope Contest. So far, I believe we have one story. As Kheri said at the last Monday Morning Meeting we will be continuing to accept stories past the January 31 date. I have also been assisting Kheri review the weekly hope articles that go out to the Hope Navigators and DSs. She has recently asked if I would like to help in designing these articles. I most likely will be starting this in the coming months. David and I also met with Gary's workers in their offices. We received positive feedback from most. As a

district I feel like we are open to the science of hope. I also encouraged them to enter stories of hope and explained it is to promote hope and not a "pat ourselves on the back."

The employee wellbeing and retention group met on 01/30. During this meeting we discussed new employee training regarding the new worker academy. We are wanting to be able to have new worker academy training faster for new workers. This may look like recorded videos, online training, and more assigned trainers. We will also be talking to DSs and ADSs to ask about training needs and possibility of mentors and defining a mentor.

District Activity Highlights from District 3 Supervisor Jaremy Andrews

District 3 has stayed busy with the start of the new year. A supervisor's meeting was held in the beginning of the month to discuss the previous year and plan out goals and benchmarks for the coming year, as well as schedule regular meetings and check-ins. Supervisors also got to start out the year with continued training. Two CE-CERT training meetings were held in January, and three of our ADS were able to present to the group on their supervision and coaching techniques. Our District Secretary, Samantha Parker also hosted a successful refresher training for staff on uploading, and online document storage through our Laserfiche Online Case File System. Select staff throughout the district were also able to join in on the three Monday Morning Meetings hearing from OJA's leadership team and service partners as well as a lunch and learn to hear from Curalinc.

District 3 staff were involved in multiple grand staffings and executive staffings. We had 26 youth referred to placement during the month, three youth were successfully paroled from Secure Care, and we were able to attend a ceremony for one youth who successfully obtained his GED. We also had the opportunity to work through the first youthful offender rehabilitation plan under the new Oklahoma statute.

In addition to internal staffings, we had the opportunity to meet with various community partners. Staff in Oklahoma County met with our partners with Spring Eternal to discuss the progress and referrals through the Family Functional Therapy (FFT) program as well as continued needs. In McClain County, our staff met for their regular staffing with the McClain County Organization for Changing Child Abuse (MCOCCA), and meetings in Pottawatomie County were set with Bridge out of Poverty for the beginning of February.

As a new District Supervisor to the area, I also had the chance to meet with the Juvenile ADAs and staff from the Oklahoma County Juvenile Bureau this month to establish regular meetings to check in and coordinate services, as well as met with some of our Youth Service Agencies in Cleveland County. In addition, along with some of OJA's leadership team, I was able to meet with Crossings Center to develop new resources in Oklahoma County and for our group homes. We were invited to a resource fair hosted by them and other community partners coming in May.

During the month of January, staff in the district were also able to go above and beyond collaborating on two unique cases of youth facing homelessness. Through a coordinated effort between District 3 staff, state office staff, ODMH staff, and our community partners the Homeless Alliance and Pivot, we were able to assist in safe housing situations for both.

District Activity Highlights from District 5 Supervisor Ron Coplan

District 5 added two new employees during January 2023, Rabeka Jennings in Haskell County and Joshua Watkins in Sequoya County. Rabeka is from the area and previously worked for the District Attorney's Office there. Joshua Watkins previously worked for Community Sentencing under the Department of Corrections in Sequoyah County. Both were very familiar with our community partners in their respective counties and were able to, "hit the ground running."

We continue to coordinate leases to address the increasing lease costs, OMES is involved and assisting us with the new leases.

We are currently without a direct CARS or Youth Services provider in McIntosh County. PEOPLE Inc. is currently sending their employee in Adair County to cover Cherokee County. People Inc. is looking to fill the position. I have been discussing these issues with Laura Broyles and Amanda Leonhart and they are trying to help with solutions to the problem.

Muskogee County will have a new Judge hearing juvenile matters starting in the middle of February. Roy Tucker was appointed to fill the vacant Special Judge seat. Mr. Tucker was formerly with the Muskogee City Attorney's office.

On January 17th I attended a meeting at RISE with other community partners. They are changing their focus to community based and seem to be filling a void of needed services to young ladies in Muskogee and the surrounding area. Another meeting is scheduled for February 7th to further organize community support.

Two District 5 staff members, Cory Watson in Muskogee County and Tristan Watson in Cherokee County are members of the Oklahoma National Guard. Starting in the middle of February they will be on active duty in Africa for approximately a year.

Bryson Paden met with his staff from Adair, Cherokee, Sequoyah, and Wagoner Counties on January 18. The meeting covered editing time in Workday, Detention Policy, OJA practices and JSU Policy. Mitch Parker met with his staff from Hughes, McIntosh, Okfuskee, Okmulgee, and Seminole Counties on January 19. Topics covered were caseload reviews, career progressions/new duties, and ACA. Joe Giem met with his staff from Haskell, Leflore, and Muskogee Counties on January 12. Topics covered were case staffings, monthly TCM notes, workday time entries, training hours, and state vehicle maintenance.

District Activity Highlights from District 6 Supervisor Heath Denney

Kristy Rasmusson started Carter County on January 3, 2023 as a JJS. Prior to joining OJA, Kristy worked with the Idaho Court system's corrections unit and then most recently with OKDHS Child Welfare here in Oklahoma.

District Activity Highlights from District 7 Supervisor Rodney McKnight

Greetings OJA from District 7, it is hard to believe that we have completed one month into the new year, time does pass quickly! District 7 is comprised of 13 counties in the southeast corner of the state. Counties include Atoka, Bryan, Choctaw, Coal, Garvin, Johnston, Latimer, Marshall, McCurtain, Murray, Pittsburg, Pontotoc, and Pushmataha.

Of the 13 counties in District 7, 7 counties are comprised of one worker "offices," most of which are veteran caseworkers who over the years have become staples in their communities. Julie Scott serves Marshall and Murray Counties, Debbie Kinsey serves Atoka and Coal Counties, Lys Hulse serves Johnston County, Barbara Walker serves Pushmataha County, and Christy Floyd serves Choctaw County. Together these ladies have over 90 years of combined experience working with youth and families. These dedicated caseworkers are the first and only point of contact within their counties. They are with youth from intake through case closure, whether that be Deferred Filings, Informal Adjustments, Probation and Custody. They make all referrals to service providers, complete all YLSI's, treatment plans, TCM/case notes, court reports, and case management. Most of their Judges, D.A.s, Law Enforcement and Community Officials rely heavily on each of them for their insight in the juvenile system.

Not to be out done, our multi-worker counties, go above and beyond for the youth they serve and the communities where they live. Randy Shepperd (Garvin) serves as a board member for the Noble Public Schools, Stephanie Farley (McCurtain) assists Hayworth schools with their cheer program, Paula Hodges (Pontotoc) keeps a small library for youth, Christy Owens, and Gale Whitson (Pontotoc) speak to students at East Central University about juvenile services, Gale also volunteers with Kairos Prison Ministries where she just returned from a weekend retreat at Mable Bassett Women's Prison. Every summer, Ladonna English (Bryan) volunteers with Amazing Grace Horseback riding where she attends a weeklong horse camp for youth. Rena Miller (Pittsburg) serves with the VFW #1098, they assist families with groceries, gift certificates and basic needs throughout the area. Lindsey House (Pittsburg) is a volunteer with Shared Blessings, where they assist needy families in McAlester with food, clothes, and donations. ADS Bobbi Foster serves as secretary for the PTO at Tushka Public School, ADS Dotti Brandon is not only one of the founding members of the Monday Morning Meeting (MMM) and is a member of Ally for Better Living which develops summer lunch programs and activities, in her school district. Programs Manager/Hybrid worker Allison Humphrey is also a founding member of MMM, along with all her other responsibilities, she is always willing to give a presentation at our district meetings. ADS Timothy Miller volunteers with a local head start with landscaping and assembling playground equipment.

District Secretary Sheila Brent's organizational skills and thoroughness has kept this district running efficiently with little to no issues. Crystal Cross, our admin tech, is always willing to assist caseworkers with Laserfiche scanning and quality control, throughout the district.

RCS/HRT Brett Wilson's dependability and willing to transport at a moment's notice is always greatly appreciated. I appreciate the dedication and commitment of all staff in District 7 in providing quality services for the youth and families that we serve.

Rates and Standards

Timeline of Proposed Rates and Standards

- On January 17, 2023, the Rates and Standards Committee voted to recommend to the Board of Juvenile Affairs the rates and standards proposed in this presentation.
- In accordance with 74 O.S. 85.7(A)(6)(f), the proposed rates and standards were sent to the Office of Management Enterprise Services (OMES) for consideration and approval by Dan Sivard, State Purchasing Director, on February 2, 2023, letter attached in board packet. On February 8, 2023, Director Sivard approved the proposed rates, contingent on the Board's approval, letter attached in board packet.
- This presentation is a brief summary of the proposed new rates and standards. Full descriptions of the proposed rates and standards were attached to the letter sent on February 2, 2023.



Summary of Proposed Rates and Standards

R&S #	Summary of Rate	Amount
RS2024-005-001	Family Assistance/Support Program Services - Paraprofessionals	\$11.00 per 15 minutes per services

Services	Definitions	Requirements & Standards	Rate/Unit
Modification RS2024-005-001 FAMILY ASSISTANCE/SUPPORT PROGRAM SERVICES Required documentation: Indirect Progress Note completed for each assistance event with name of receiving parent or guardian included	Designed to meet the service needs of a family referred because of identified problems in the family or community. Services may be delivered individually, in a family unit, or in a group. Services in this category may also include assisting families with accessing community resources, and/or assisting family with getting basic needs met. This rate does not reflect Parenting programs themselves, but other needed supports that allows families to engage. Examples of Family Assistance that fits beneath this rate include: Serving a family from a food bank or with needed supplies, Aiding a family with accessing community assistance programs, and/or	 Level A Bachelor's degree in a behavioral science and one year of experience in juvenile justice, social work, education, community-based prevention, or diversionary youth service programs; or Bachelor's degree and two years of experience in juvenile justice, social work, education, community-based prevention, or diversionary youth service programs. Level B Master's degree in a behavioral science; or Master's degree and one year of professional 	RS22-003-003 Level A \$ 11.60 per 15 min. per service Level B \$ 12.60 per 15 min. per service
	 Providing childcare for young children during the time that parents are participating in a Parenting program. Provide specialized training to extended family members, such as: Grandparents as Parents, Supporting Children with Anxiety, Understanding and Meeting the Needs of children with Autism Spectrum challenges, and other subject areas as approved by CBS. 	experience in juvenile justice, social work, education, community-based prevention, or diversionary youth service programs. Level C M.D., D.O., Ph.D., LPC, LMFT, LCSW, LBP, LADC or APN: includes individuals under supervision for licensure.	Level C \$ 14.60 per 15 min. per service
	Can be used to support Supervised Visitation services if there is no other pay source for such service regarding	 Paraprofessionals Paraprofessional can provide service if they meet the following criteria: 1. Be at least twenty-one (21) years old, if providing direct services to minors; 2. Possess, at minimum, a high school diploma or its equivalent; and 3. Have successfully completed a background check including check of sex offender registry. 	Paraprofessional \$11.00 per 15 min. per service

Services	Definitions	Requirements & Standards	Rate/Unit
RS2024-005-001 FAMILY ASSISTANCE/SUPPORT PROGRAM SERVICES Type: Code(s): Program(s): Required documentation: Indirect Progress Note completed for each assistance event with name of receiving parent or guardian included	Designed to meet the service needs of a family referred because of identified problems in the family or community. Services may be delivered individually, in a family unit, or in a group. Services in this category may also include assisting families with accessing community resources, and/or assisting family with getting basic needs met. This rate does not reflect Parenting programs themselves, but other needed supports that allows families to engage. Examples of Family Assistance that fits beneath this rate include: Serving a family from a food bank or with needed supplies, Aiding a family with accessing community assistance programs, and/or Providing childcare for young children during the time that parents are participating in a Parenting program. Provide specialized training to extended family members, such as: Grandparents as Parents, Supporting Children with Anxiety, Understanding and Meeting the Needs of children with Autism Spectrum challenges, and other subject areas as approved by CBS. Can be used to support Supervised Visitation services if there is no other pay source for such service regarding	 Level A Bachelor's degree in a behavioral science and one year of experience in juvenile justice, social work, education, community-based prevention, or diversionary youth service programs; or Bachelor's degree and two years of experience in juvenile justice, social work, education, community-based prevention, or diversionary youth service programs. Level B Master's degree in a behavioral science; or Master's degree and one year of professional experience in juvenile justice, social work, education, community-based prevention, or diversionary youth service programs. Level C M.D., D.O., Ph.D., LPC, LMFT, LCSW, LBP, LADC or APN: includes individuals under supervision for licensure. Paraprofessionals Paraprofessional can provide service if they meet the following criteria: Be at least twenty-one (21) years old, if providing direct services to minors; Possess, at minimum, a high school diploma or its equivalent; and Have successfully completed a background check including check of sex offender registry. 	Level A \$ 11.60 per 15 min. per service Level B \$ 12.60 per 15 min. per service Level C \$ 14.60 per 15 min. per service Paraprofessional \$11.00 per 15 min. per service
R&S Approved Date: 01/17/2023	OMES Approved Date: 02/08/2023	BOJA Approved Date: 02/21/2023 – if approved	Effective Date: 03/01/2023 - if approved

Summary of Proposed Rates and Standards

R&S #	Summary of Rate	Amount
RS2024-005-001	Family Assistance/Support Program Services - Paraprofessionals	\$11.00 per 15 minutes per services

Next Generation Campus Update



Next Generation Campus Update

- 1) Weather has not impacted target dates
- 2) One new charge against contingency is being contemplated adding laundry room to food services \$7,358.00.
- 3) Enlarging gate for warehouse/food service negotiated with Flintco for no cost upgrade of gate height.
- 4) Gym Floor Replacement Mandatory pre-bid conference February 23rd at 2:00 pm





Dining Hall

Charges against Contingencies (CAC)

COR-#12	Equipment and Connections for Laundry Room in Food Service – Do our own instead of third-party contract	\$7,358
	Original Contingency Allocation	\$209,309
	Total CAC to date (not including this period)	\$142,656
	Total CAC this period	\$7,358
	Current Contingency Balance	\$59,295

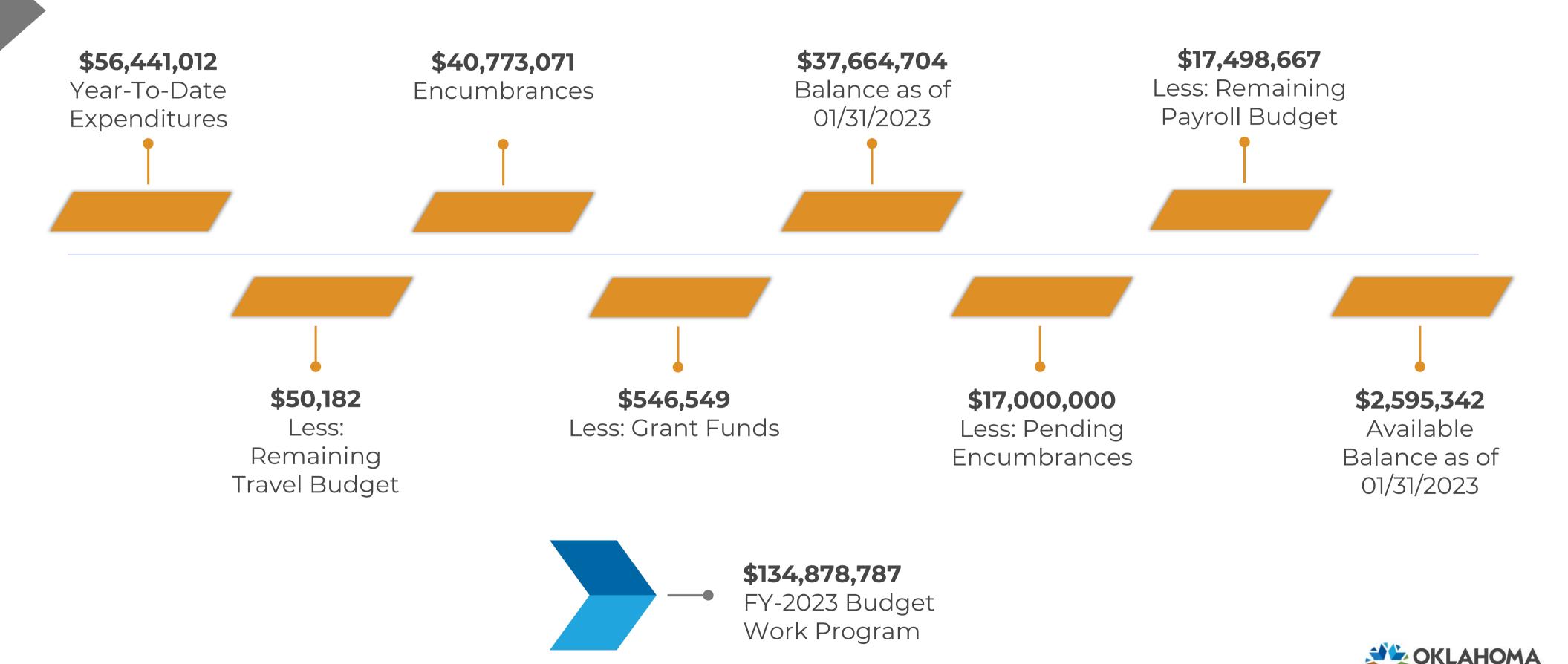


OJA Finance Report

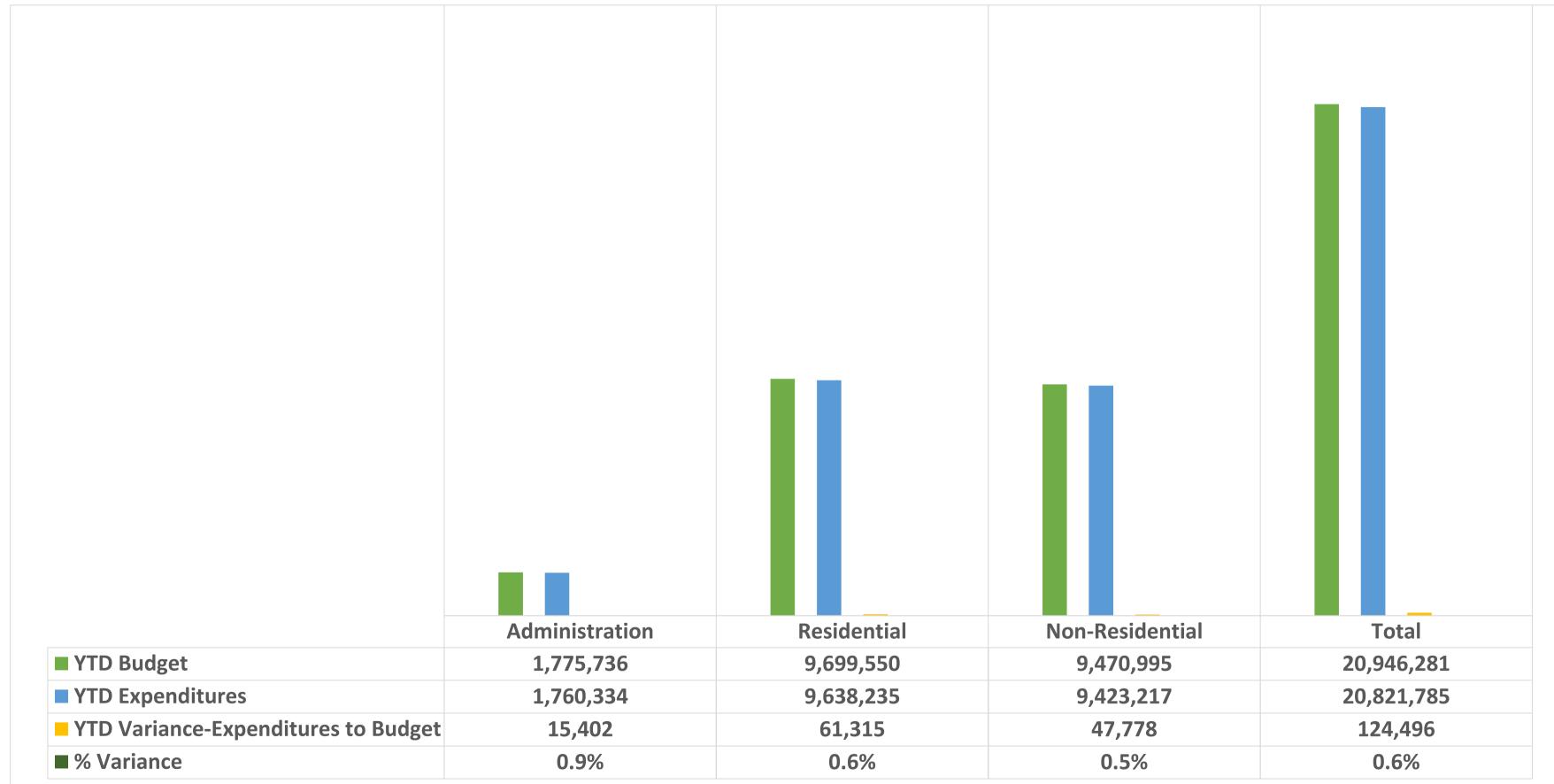


FY-2023 Operation/Capital Budget Projections

As of 01/31/2023



FY-2023 Operation/Capital Budget Projections As of 01/31/2023





FY-2023 Revolving Funds Revenue Projections As of 01/31/2023

Revenue Source	FY-	23 Budget	Bu	dget to Date	Receipts	li	n-Transit	er (Under) Budget
SSI and SSA	\$	19,308	\$	11,263	\$ 38,787	\$	-	\$ 27,524
Income from Rent		17,802		10,385	10,385			0
Charter School State Aid/Grants		849,174		495,352	366,422			(128,929)
School Breakfast/Lunch/Snacks Program		195,476		114,028	98,283			(15,744)
Refunds & Reimbursements (includes DHS Safety Shelter and Rehabilitation Drug and Alcohol Services)		3,968,503		2,314,960	2,074,730			(240,230)
Sales		33,801		19,717	2,598		-	(17,119)
Child Support		143,619		83,778	86,672			2,894
Other Receipts		23,573		13,751	79,762			66,011
Total Revolving Funds	\$	5,251,256	\$	3,063,233	\$ 2,757,640	\$	-	\$ (305,593)



FY-2023 Federal Funds Revenue Projections As of 01/31/2023

FFP Revolving Fund	Projected Annual Revenue		ojected YTD Revenue	Actual Revenue		In-Transit		Variance	
Residential Behavior Management Services (RBMS)	\$	6,700,000	\$ 3,908,333	\$	3,232,923	\$	1,050,449	\$	375,038
Targeted Case Management (TCM)		1,900,000	\$ 1,108,333		1,267,530		373,296		532,492
IV-E Shelter		110,000	\$ 64,167		96,459		-		32,292
Indirect Cost Reimbursement (OHCA)		95,322	\$ 55,605		-		-		(55,605)
Grants (Formula)		822,574	\$ 479,835		(3,728)		-		(483,563)
DAC-RSAT/CARES ACT		194,864	\$ 113,671		201,900		-		88,229
Total	\$	9,822,760	\$ 5,729,943	\$	4,795,083	\$	1,423,745	\$	488,885



700 Fund Accounts

As of 01/31/2023

Trust Fund - 701

Established to account for all the funds a juvenile received or expended while in OJA Custody



**Cash Balance as of 01/31/2023 \$34,160.87

Donation Fund - 703

Established to account for all Donated funds received/expended. These funds are used for the benefit of the juvenile



**Cash Balance as of 01/31/2023 \$1,325.13

Canteen Fund - 702

Established to account for all the funds at canteens located at COJC. Proceeds from the canteen are used for the benefit of the juvenile.



**Cash Balance as of 01/31/2023 \$15,021.99

Victim Restitution Fund - 704

Established to account for all funds received from OJA's Victim Restitution Program



**Cash Balance as of 01/31/2023 \$20,756.82



The Oklahoma Economy

"Gross Receipts to the Treasury recorded a new high over the past twelve months, yet rising interest rates are a cause for concern regarding future economic growth." - State Treasurer Todd Russ.

Twelve-month gross receipts through January are \$17.48 billion, up by \$1.98 billion or 12.8 percent from the prior twelve months. For the month, total collections of \$1.59 billion are up by \$40.5 million, or only 2.7 percent compared to last January.

Over the past year, all major revenue streams reflected growth. Sales and use tax collections exceeded the rate of inflation of 6.5 percent, growing at 8.6 percent. Income tax receipts increased by 13.1 percent.

The monthly Oklahoma Business Conditions Index rose slightly in January. This index, produced by Creighton University, increased from 40.2 in December to 43.3 depicting some economic improvement. However, an index number under 50 indicates a forecast for potential contraction during the next three to six months.

According to Federal Reserve Economic Data from 2022, average mortgage rates doubled from 3.5 percent to 7 percent during the beginning of last year through October. Thereafter, 30-year mortgage rates have declined to approximately 6 percent, but the relatively high rates coupled with higher housing prices have caused a drop in housing demand.



Gross Receipts to the Treasury

12 Month Period Ending Feb 22-Jan 23

PRELIMINARY	reb ZZ-			
	Prior Year	Current Year	Variance Fron	n Prior Year
(In \$ millions)	Feb 21-Jan 22	Feb 22-Jan 23	\$	%
Total Income Tax	5,339.7	6,040.3	700.5	13.1%
Individual	4,452.6	5,039.9	587.3	13.2%
Corporate	887.1	1,000.4	113.2	12.8%
Sales and Use Tax (1)	6,359.8	6,904.1	544.3	8.6%
Sales Tax	5,415.2	5,843.7	428.5	7.9%
Use Tax	944.6	1,060.4	115.8	12.3%
Gross Production	1,247.0	1,994.2	747.2	59.9%
Motor Vehicle	872.7	875.7	3.0	0.3%
Other Sources (2)	1,678.4	1,664.9	(13.5)	-0.8%
TOTAL REVENUE	15,497.7	17,479.2	1,981.51	12.8%

⁽¹⁾ Includes Collections for Counties and Municipalities

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Details may not sum due to rounding.



⁽²⁾ Gross Collections from OTC

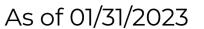
Gross Receipts to the Treasury

PRELIMINARY	MONTHLY COMPARISON
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			Variance From Prior Year			
(ln \$ millions)	January-22	January-23	\$	%		
Total Income Tax	553.5	550.4	(3.1)	-0.6%		
Individual	446.4	482.2	35.9	8.0%		
Corporate	107.1	68.2	(38.9)	-36.4%		
Sales & Use Tax (1)	597.1	629.4	32.3	5.4%		
Sales Tax	493.2	515.2	21.9	4.4%		
Use Tax	103.9	114.2	10.3	9.9%		
Gross Production	143.5	153.1	9.6	6.7%		
Motor Vehicle	68.8	74.1	5.4	7.8%		
Other Sources (2)	145.5	141.8	(3.7)	-2.5%		
TOTAL REVENUE	1,508.4	1,548.9	40.5	2.7%		

⁽¹⁾ Includes Collections for Counties and Municipalities

⁽²⁾ Gross Collections from OTC Details may not sum due to rounding.





None to Report







Emergency Purchases As of 01/31/2023

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None to Report



Oklahoma Youth
Academy Charter School
(OYACS)



Oklahoma Youth Academy Charter School Combined Statement of Revenue, Expenditures and Fund Balances School Year 2022-2023 as of January 31, 2023	OJA General and Revolving Funds	Fund 25000 I		Totals as of 01/31/2023		COJC (972)		SOJC (975)		Total	
Revenues Revenues											
Foundation/Salary Incentive IDEA-B Flow through Alternative Ed Grant Redbud School Funding Act Title I N&D Title IA Title IIA Title IIV-A LEA Textbooks/Ace Technology Child Nutrition Program _ Prockfact	\$	\$	199,643.37 - 55,296.82 - 24,039.93 48,845.91 - 10,000.00 2,213.25 6,616.65 31,012.40	\$	199,643.37 - 55,296.82 - 24,039.93 48,845.91 - 10,000.00 2,213.25 6,616.65	\$	199,643.37 - 55,296.82 - 24,039.93 24,422.96 - 5,000.00 2,213.25 6,616.65	\$	- - - 24,422.95 - 5,000.00 - - 1,462.14	\$	199,643.37 - 55,296.82 - 24,039.93 48,845.91 - 10,000.00 2,213.25 6,616.65 31,012.40
Child Nutrition Program _ Lunches and Specks			31,012.40		31,012.40		29,549.26		1,463.14		31,012.40
Child Nutrition Program _Lunches and Snacks Refund			66,518.67 2,376.81		66,518.67 2,376.81		61,727.64 2,376.81		4,791.03 -		66,518.67 2,376.81
Office of Juvenile Affairs **	507,007.23		2,370.01		507,007.23		317,204.91		189,802.32		507,007.23
Total Revenues	\$ 507,007.23		446,563.81	\$	953,571.04	\$	728,091.60	\$	225,479.44	\$	953,571.04
<u>Expenditures</u>											
Equipment and Library Resources Operational Expenses Payroll Expenses Professional Fees Training and Travel	\$ 1,961.22 73,806.60 415,828.12 417.00 14,994.29		- 75,411.45 498,627.72 -	\$	1,961.22 149,218.05 914,455.84 417.00 14,994.29	\$	1,883.24 139,163.41 654,951.87 192.00 11,050.53	\$	77.98 10,054.64 259,503.97 225.00 3,943.76	\$	1,961.22 149,218.05 914,455.84 417.00 14,994.29
Total Expenditures	\$ 507,007.23		574,039.17	\$	1,081,046.40	\$	807,241.05	\$	273,805.35	\$	1,081,046.40
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures Fund Balances July 1, 2022 Fund Balances 2022-2023 School Year	\$ - \$ -	\$ \$	(127,475.36) 358,340.75 230,865.39	\$	(127,475.36) 277,569.97 150,094.61		(79,149.45) 287,422.73 208,273.28	\$	(48,325.91) 70,918.02 22,592.11	\$	(127,475.36) 358,340.75 230,865.39
**OJA Funds	COJC (972)	-	SOJC (975)		Total					•	
Fund 19101/19111/19201 Fund 19301		\$	23,713.88 166,088.44		38,364.76 468,633.37						
Fund 20000	\$ 9.10		400 000 00	\$	9.10						
	\$ 317,204.91	\$	189,802.32	\$	507,007.23						OKLAHOMA JUVENILE AFFAIRS

Oklahoma Youth Academy Charter School Request for 2022-2023 Encumbrances

Encumbrance #	Description	Vendor	Amount
2023-053	WRAT 5 Blue Record Forms (2) and Green (1) Response Booklets @ 25 for pre and post test when juveniles enter & leave custody	Pearson Clinical Assessment	\$140.00
2023-054	20 Noise Cancelling Earmuffs for students to use in the classroom for focus & cancellation	Amazon.com	\$278.00
2023-055	Renewal of Destiny Follett Library hosting services – used for checking in & out library materials and inventory control	Follett School Solutions	\$1,310.00



2023/24 Split Year Calendar - OYACS

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BLOCKS 1st Block Ju		ock July 14-Sept 15	2 nd Blo	ock Sept 18-Dec 15	3rd Blo	ck Jan 2-Mar 22st	4 th BI	ock April 1-June 14th
No School/Holiday		P/T Conference		OYACS Professional Development		First Day of School		OJA Training
Progress Reports Due	*	Grades Due	0	Report Cards Due		End of Block	Δ	Last Day of School





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