

OKLAHOMA COUNTY

*Oklahoma County Office Building
320 Robert S Kerr Ave,
Oklahoma City, OK 73102*



Budget Evaluation Team Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 9, 2025

1:30 PM

***Cody Compton - Chair
Christie Tretheway-Miller - Vice-Chair
Rick Buchanan - Member
Brandon Holmes - Member
Kerrie Hudson - Member
Paul Foster - Member
Mike Morrison - Member
Brandi Mertens - Member
Joe Blough - Member***

***Recorded in the
Oklahoma County Clerk's Office***

Call To Order

Roll Call

Present: 8 - Treasurer - Comptroller Christie Tretheway-Miller, County Clerk - Chief Deputy Kerrie Hudson, Sheriff - Major Brandon Holmes, District 3 - Chief Deputy Paul Foster, County Assessor - Chief Deputy Mike Morrison, District 2 - Chief Deputy Brandi Mertens, District 1 - First Deputy Joe Blough and Jennifer Bowen

Notice of the meeting was properly posted on September 8, 2025.

For purposes of this agenda “Action” means any of the following: amending, approving, approving as amended, deferring, denying, giving instructions to staff, making a recommendation to another public body, receiving documents or presentations, referring to committee, reconsidering, re-opening, returning, or striking the item.

Approval of Minutes

1. Discussion and possible action regarding the minutes of September 2, 2025.
Holmes moved, Mertens seconded, to approve. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Tretheway-Miller, Hudson, Holmes, Foster, Morrison, Mertens, Blough and Bowen

Recurring Items

2. Discussion and possible action regarding an update on Employee Benefits. Requested by the Board.

Holmes moved, Mertens seconded, to receive update. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Tretheway-Miller, Hudson, Holmes, Foster, Morrison, Mertens, Blough and Bowen

3. Discussion and possible action regarding any items currently on the BET Watch List for fiscal year 2025-26. Requested by the Board.

Bowen moved, Tretheway-Miller seconded, to recommend to Budget Board to fund the Court Clerk - Courtroom Clerk 9 Months at \$62,250.00. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Tretheway-Miller, Hudson, Foster, Morrison, Mertens, Blough and Bowen

No: 1 - Holmes

Blough moved, Foster seconded, to clarify from earlier that the \$62,250.00 recommendation for the Court Clerks additional Courtroom employee will be included in the September Supplement recommendation and not a transfer from Reserve. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Tretheway-Miller, Hudson, Holmes, Foster, Morrison, Mertens, Blough and Bowen

Tretheway-Miller moved, Holmes seconded, to add \$750,00.00 of ARPA Interest Revenue to the Watch List balance as one-time funds. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Tretheway-Miller, Hudson, Holmes, Foster, Morrison, Blough and Bowen

No: 1 - Mertens

Recess

Mertens moved, Holmes seconded, to recess at 3:19 pm until 10:30 am on 09/15/2025 in the BOE Room. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Tretheway-Miller, Hudson, Holmes, Foster, Morrison, Mertens, Blough and Bowen

Roll Call

Present: 8 - Treasurer - Comptroller Christie Tretheway-Miller, Rick Buchanan, County Clerk - Chief Deputy Kerrie Hudson, Sheriff - Major Brandon Holmes, District 3 - Chief Deputy Paul Foster, County Assessor - Chief Deputy Mike Morrison, District 2 - Chief Deputy Brandi Mertens and District 1 - First Deputy Joe Blough

Return

Foster moved, Mertens seconded, to return on 09/15/2025 at 10:32 am. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Compton, Tretheway-Miller, Buchanan, Hudson, Holmes, Foster, Morrison, Mertens and Blough

Recurring Items

3. Discussion and possible action regarding any items currently on the BET Watch List for fiscal year 2025-26. Requested by the Board.

Tretheway-Miller moved, Blough seconded, to remove the Court Clerk - Courtroom Clerk (9 months), IT - Microsoft 365 (Sheriff Reserve Deputies) and Employee Salary Adjustment 3.2% Rate Increase from the Watch List . The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Tretheway-Miller, Buchanan, Hudson, Holmes, Foster, Morrison, Mertens and Blough

Departmental Items

4. Discussion and possible action regarding procedures and timing of the General Fund Revenue Supplement for FY 2025-26. Requested by Christie Tretheway-Miller, Vice-Chair.

No Action

5. Discussion and possible action regarding the Oklahoma County Criminal Justice Authority Budget for FY 2025-26. Requested by Cody Compton, BET Chairman.

No Action

6. Discussion and possible action regarding the Supplement Appropriation amending the Oklahoma County General Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-26. The total Budget Supplement amount is not to exceed \$140,217,126.82. This item is requested by the Finance Department, Office of the County Clerk.

Blough moved, Tretheway-Miller seconded, to receive the updated Statement of Revenues sheet. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Tretheway-Miller, Buchanan, Hudson, Holmes, Foster, Morrison, Mertens and Blough

Tretheway-Miller moved, Blough seconded, to recommend to Budget Board an Employee Salary Adjustment of 3.2% for 12 months to use at the discretion of the Elected Official, retroactive to July 1st, 2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Tretheway-Miller, Buchanan, Holmes, Foster, Morrison and Blough

No: 2 - Hudson and Mertens

Mertens moved, Hudson seconded, to move \$1.5 million of the increased ARPA interest revenue into Jail Capital Fund. The motion failed by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Tretheway-Miller, Hudson and Mertens

No: 5 - Buchanan, Holmes, Foster, Morrison and Blough

Tretheway-Miller moved, Holmes seconded, to move \$1.5 million of increased ARPA interest into General Fund Reserve, and tracked as one-time monies on the Watch List. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Tretheway-Miller, Buchanan, Holmes, Foster, Morrison and Blough

No: 2 - Hudson and Mertens

Holmes moved, Blough seconded, to recommend to Budget Board to fund the \$55,000.00 for the IT - Microsoft 365 (Sheriff Reserve Deputies) of the September Supplement. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Tretheway-Miller, Buchanan, Hudson, Holmes, Foster, Morrison, Mertens and Blough

Blough moved, Morrison seconded, to recommend to Budget Board that \$494,490.46 of the September Supplement remaining dollars go in to General Fund Reserve as ongoing funds. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Tretheway-Miller, Buchanan, Hudson, Holmes, Foster, Morrison, Mertens and Blough

7. Discussion and possible action regarding Supplemental projections on Employee Benefits 4010, Worker's Compensation 4020, and Self Insurance 4030. This item is requested by the County Finance Department, Office of the County Clerk.

No Action

8. Discussion and possible action regarding Employer Rates for Health Premiums for FY 2025-26. Requested by the Board.

No Action

9. Discussion and possible action regarding the proposed FY 2025-26 Employer rates. This item is requested by Jon Wilkerson, Director of Benefits and Retirement.

No Action

10. Discussion and possible action regarding a recommendation to address a retroactive Employer Rate increase of 3.60%, effective July 1, 2025, impacting first quarter payroll for FY 2025-2026. This item is requested by County Finance Department, Office of the County Clerk.

No Action

11. Discussion and possible action to make a recommendation to the Oklahoma County Budget Board from the Budget Evaluation Team regarding the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Supplemental Appropriations. Requested by the Board.

No Action

No Citizen Participation

Board Comments

No New Business

Adjourn

Mertens moved, Holmes seconded, to adjourn at 10:32 pm. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Tretheway-Miller, Buchanan, Hudson, Holmes, Foster, Morrison, Mertens and Blough

BUDGET EVALUATION TEAM
OKLAHOMA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

Cody Compton Chair or
Christie Tretheway-Miller
Vice-Chair

ATTEST:

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County Clerk and Secretary to the Board