

OKLAHOMA COUNTY

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



Budget Evaluation Team Meeting Minutes

Thursday, May 7, 2026

9:00 AM

***Cody Compton - Chair
Christie Tretheway-Miller - Vice-Chair
Mike Sullivan - Member
Brandon Holmes - Member
Erin McConnell - 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: 9 - Cody Compton, Treasurer - Comptroller Christie Tretheway-Miller, County Clerk - Operations Manager Erin McConnell, Sheriff - Major Brandon Holmes, County Commissioner Paul Foster, County Assessor - Chief Deputy Mike Morrison, District 2 - Chief Deputy Brandi Mertens, Rick Buchanan and John Pettis

Notice of the meeting was properly posted on May 6, 2026.

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 February 26, April 2, 7, 9, 14 and 28, 2026.

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

Aye: 8 - Tretheway-Miller, McConnell, Holmes, Foster, Morrison, Mertens, Buchanan and Pettis

Recurring Items

2. Discussion and possible action regarding a financial and operational update from the Oklahoma County Detention Center. Requested by Cody Compton, Chairman of the Board.

No Action

Roll Call

John Pettis exits at 9:11am and Joe Blough enters.

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

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

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

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

McConnell moved, Mertens seconded, to remove Employee Benefits \$790,000.00 from the watch list. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

5. Discussion and possible action regarding any items currently on the County's Future Forecast Tracker. Requested by the Board.

No Action

Departmental Items

6. Discussion and possible action regarding follow-up questions to any FY 2026-27 Estimate of Needs (EON) that have been previously presented. Requested by the Board.

No Action

7. Discussion and possible action regarding the FY 2026-27 Departmental Estimate of Needs (EON's). This item is requested by the County Finance Department, Office of the County Clerk.

Tretheway-Miller moved, Mertens seconded, to receive the departmental estimate of needs and replace the Employees Benefits piece with the document Mr. Wilkerson provided. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

8. Discussion and possible action to create a new BET Watch List for fiscal year 2026-27. Requested by Christie Tretheway-Miller, County Treasurers Office and Vice-Chair.

McConnell moved, Mertens seconded, to create and add the following to the BET FY 26-27 Watch List

•OCDC for 25 Detention Officers \$1,408,177.33

•BCC transport \$400,000.00

•Employee Benefits \$1,000,000.00

•BCC operations \$3,545,125.00

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

9. Discussion and possible action regarding an update in the Maximum Payout Limit for Unused Annual Leave from 480 hours to 640 hours for eligible employees per State Statute §74-840-2.20. This item requested by Brandi Mertens, BET Member and Chair of the Handbook Committee.

Mertens moved, Buchanan seconded, to recommend to Budget Board they adopt the new maximum payout limit for unused annual leave from 480 hours to 640 hours for eligible employees per State Statute §74-840-2.20, after having assessed the fiscal liabilities of this change. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Tretheway-Miller, Holmes, Foster, Morrison, Mertens, Blough and Buchanan

No: 1 - McConnell

- 10.** Discussion and possible action regarding the process, review and approval of itemized invoices for the Oklahoma County Criminal Justice Authority supplemental payments. Requested by Jessica Clayton, County Manager.

No Action

Recess

Return

No Citizen Participation

Board Comments

No New Business

Adjourn

Mertens moved, McConnell seconded, to adjourn at 9:53pm. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

BUDGET EVALUATION TEAM
OKLAHOMA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

Cody Compton Chair or
Christie Tretheway-Miller
Vice-Chair

ATTEST:

Maressa Treat,
County Clerk and Secretary to the Board