

OKLAHOMA COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE AUTHORITY
RESOLUTION REGARDING RESIGNATION OF CHAIR, CONFIRMING THE STATUS OF
OFFICERS, AND ESTABLISHING A SCHEDULE FOR ELECTION OF A NEW CHAIR

WHEREAS, a Resolution approved by the Oklahoma County Criminal Justice Authority (“Authority”) on August 16, 2021 states: “The Chair and Vice-chair of the Authority shall each be elected every two years for two-year terms beginning at the first meeting of January 2022, and each may be elected to succeed themselves.”

WHEREAS, on January 3, 2022, in accordance with the above Resolution of August 16, 2021, the Authority elected James D. Couch as its Chair and Ben Brown as its Vice-chair for two-year terms, each expiring at the first meeting in January of 2024.

WHEREAS, James D. Couch resigned as Trustee and Chair of the Authority on December 16, 2022.

WHEREAS, Ben Brown continues to serve as Vice-chair of the Authority for a term expiring at the first meeting in January of 2024.

WHEREAS, the Trust Indenture of the Authority states: “The Chair of the Trustees, who shall not be an elected official, shall be selected by a majority of the Trustees and shall preside at all meetings and perform other duties designated by the Trustees. The Trustees shall designate the time and place of all regular meetings. All actions by the Trustees pursuant to the provisions of this Trust Indenture shall be approved by the affirmative vote of at least a majority of the Trustees qualified to act as such under the provisions of this Trust Indenture. The Trustees may select one of their members to be Vice-Chairman, who shall not be an elected official, who shall act in the place of the Chair during the latter's absence or incapacity to act.”

WHEREAS, upon the resignation of James D. Couch, Ben Brown, as Vice-chair, began to “act in the place of the Chair” and is now called Acting Chair; and, until a new Chair is elected and assumes office, for purposes of the conduct of Authority business, all references to “Chair,” shall mean “Acting Chair,” who is Ben Brown, who shall exercise the powers of the Chair.

WHEREAS, the Authority desires to hereby confirm the status of its officers and to establish a schedule for the election of a new Chair.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE AUTHORITY, that based on the foregoing and in furtherance thereof, which is adopted as a part of this Resolution:

1. The status of the officers of the Authority as set forth above is confirmed.
2. A new Chair of the Authority shall be elected at the first Authority meeting in March of 2023 to fill the unexpired term of James D. Couch for a term ending at the first Authority meeting in January of 2024, with the new Chair to assume office on April 1, 2023.

APPROVED by the Oklahoma County Criminal Justice Authority January 3, 2023.

OKLAHOMA COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE
AUTHORITY

Ben Brown, Acting Chair

ATTEST:

Secretary