

## OKLAHOMA COMMISSION ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Oklahoma State University / OKC Campus  
900 N. Portland Ave., 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

### SPECIAL MEETING

September 3, 2009

### MINUTES

#### Call to order and roll call

Chairman Bouse called the meeting to order at 12:50 p.m. Members present were: Tom Alford, Bart Bouse, Sid Brown, Gene Christian, Ken Couchman, Wanda Felty, Mike Fogarty, Terrica Grunewald, Lisa Hammond, Howard Hendrick, Ben Loring, Mike O'Brien, Claudette Selph, and Brent Thackerson. Members not present: Darlene Callahan, Sandy Garrett, and Terri White.

Chairman Bouse recognized the newest member to join the OCCY Commission, Dr. Sid Brown, appointee of the Governor representing business or industry. Dr. Brown is currently a professor at the University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond, Oklahoma. **WELCOME TO THE BOARD DR. BROWN!!!**

Chairman Bouse further recognized the attendance and participation in the OCCY Retreat process, Mr. David Ligon and Ms. Marcia Goff, staff members of the Oklahoma House of Representatives.

#### Notice of Rulemaking Intent to the Secretary of State to amend OAC 135 Chapter 10 Subchapter 24[NEW]

A copy of emergency rules to be adopted by the Governor and Legislature on an emergency basis was included in the Commission packet to be approved today by the Commission prior to submission. Also included in the Commission packet were forms that will be used when making certification of the two state operated children's shelters.

Grant Moak stated that the emergency rules were developed in compliance with HB 1734 which changed the certification process of state operated children's shelters; Pauline Mayer Shelter in Oklahoma City and the Laura Dester Shelter in Tulsa, currently operated by DHS and previously certified by the Office of Child Care Division of DHS. The legislature through HB 1734 has now changed this so that OCCY will now certify the shelters, as well as OJSO continuing to do oversight of the facilities. The OCCY will continue, through the OJSO, to do oversight of the shelters, but a separate group of OCCY will do the certification.

He stated that the law immediately went into effect May 22, 2009, and in order to complete an uninterrupted certification process, adoption of these emergency rules is required today by the Commission as a compelling public interest in maintaining the continuum of protecting the health and safety of children currently in the shelters. Note: due to time constraints and other issues, the rules provided in the Commission packet were not in required format for submission to the Governor/Legislature; however, prior to submission, they will be in the required format.

Howard Hendrick suggested that the wording be changed in the portion of the rules dealing with the "Release of Confidential Information". The suggested language was: *"confidential information may be released as provided by statute."*

Loring moved, Thackerson to approve the emergency rules for adoption by the Governor and portions of which wording on the release of confidential information was/is changed. All members present voted in the affirmative. Motion passed unanimously.

**Public Comment**

None

**New Business**

None

**Adjournment**

Chairman Bouse adjourned the meeting at 1:10 p.m.