



Board of Directors Meeting May 4, 2022

Minutes

I. MEETING CONVENED

The Oklahoma Municipal League Board of Directors met at 12:00 p.m. on **Wednesday, May 4th at 12:00 p.m. at the OML Office located at 201 NE 23rd Street, Oklahoma City, OK, 73105** and virtually via GoToMeeting. Vice President Ray Poland called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

Officers and Directors present were:

President	Kim Peterson, Mayor, Guymon (Left at 12:15 p.m.)
Vice President	Ray Poland, Mayor, Jones
Past President	Randy Ross, Mayor, Choctaw

Directors:

District 1	Michael Hart, City Administrator, Commerce
District 2	Dwayne Elam, City Manager, Wagoner
District 3	Stephen Brinlee, Mayor, Wilburton (left at 12:45 p.m.)
District 4	Cody Holcomb, City Manager, Ada
District 5	Buck Day, City Manager, McLoud
District 6	Pamela Polk, City Manager, Collinsville
District 7	Homer Nicholson, Mayor, Ponca City
District 8	Matt White, Mayor, El Reno
District 9	Kimberly Meek, City Manager, Duncan
District 10	Mike Brown, Mayor, Weatherford
District 11	Kelly Parker, Mayor, Alva
Towns East	Karl Burkhardt, Town Administrator, Stonewall
Towns West	Craig Parham, Mayor, Amber
Tulsa	Jed Cochran, Chief of Intergovt. Affairs, Tulsa, Alt.
Norman	Breea Clark, Mayor, Norman

Officers and Directors absent:

Broken Arrow	Debra Wimpee, Mayor, Broken Arrow
Broken Arrow	Michael Spurgeon, City Manager, Broken Arrow Alt.
Tulsa	G.T. Bynum, Mayor, Tulsa
Oklahoma City	Craig Freeman, City Manager, Oklahoma City
Norman	Lee Hall, Council Member, Norman Alt.
Edmond	Darrell Davis, Mayor, Edmond

Staff Present:

Executive Director	Mike Fina
Chief of Staff	Nancee Morris
Deputy General Counsel	Daniel McClure
Associate General Counsel	Christian Rhinehart
Programs Director	Adrienne Covington-Graham
Director of Communications	Leslie Blair
Conference/Program Manager	Sarah Lingenfelter

Guests:

LaDonna Sinning	CPA/Managing Partner/CEO, Arledge & Associates
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II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

III. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consideration and action to accept and approve items on the Consent Agenda.
 - a) Minutes of the April 2022 meeting
 - b) Financial statements for April 2022
 - c) Monthly check ledgers for April 2022

R. Poland asked for questions. With no further questions a motion was made by C. Parham with a second by R. Ross to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Yes Votes: M. Hart, D. Elam, S. Brinlee, C. Holcomb, B. Day, P. Polk, H. Nicholson, M. White, K. Meek, M. Brown, K. Parker, K. Burkhardt, J. Cochran, B. Clark, K. Peterson, R. Poland

No Votes: None.

All voted yes. Motion Carried.

IV. BUSINESS AGENDA

1. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT** (Kim Peterson, OML President). Vice-President Poland read report on behalf of President Peterson.
No formal action taken
2. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT** (Mike Fina, Executive Director). Director Fina discussed the Arkansas Southern Municipal Conference. He would like to thank the

OML Board for supporting their engagement in SMC this past year and hopes for continued support over the upcoming year. Next year is expected to be held in Texas. No formal action taken.

3. LEGISLATIVE REPORT (Daniel McClure, Deputy General Counsel).

- a. Information: HB3056 by Rep. Sims and Sen. Paxton which amends the laws surrounding municipal election violation enforcement entities. Support legislation that would create a municipal ethics entity to oversee financial aspects and violations of municipal elections versus leaving it to the Ethics Commission. Motion is to address the Oklahoma Ethics Commission for lack of enforcement and explore the opportunities to create an organization that municipalities can depend on for ethics enforcement.

ACTION REQUEST: OML Board of Directors approve the recommendation as presented. R. Poland asked for questions. With no further questions, a motion was made by K. Parker with a second by R. Ross to approve as requested.

Yes Votes: M. Hart, D. Elam, S. Brinlee, C. Holcomb, B. Day, P. Polk, H. Nicholson, M. White, K. Meek, M. Brown, K. Parker, K. Burkhardt, J. Cochran, B. Clark, C. Parham, R. Poland

No Votes: None.

All voted yes. Motion Carried.

- b. Information: Reject the current version of HB3415 by Senator Howard and Rep. Pae that alters the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act to allow counties to declare emergencies for municipalities to hold virtual meetings to address the issue of internet access and streaming meetings online as well as being under the authority of the County Commissioners to call for an emergency.

ACTION REQUEST: OML Board of Directors approve the recommendation as presented. With no further questions, a motion was made by K. Parker with a second by R. Ross to approve as requested.

Yes Votes: M. Hart, D. Elam, S. Brinlee, C. Holcomb, B. Day, P. Polk, H. Nicholson, M. White, K. Meek, M. Brown, K. Burkhardt, J. Cochran, B. Clark, C. Parham, R. Poland

No Votes: None.

All voted yes. Motion Carried.

4. Discussion and possible action on the OML Independent Auditor's Report and Financial Statement for June 30, 2021 and 2020. (LaDonna Sinning, CPA, Managing Partner/CEO, Arledge & Associates).

R. Poland asked for questions. With no further questions, a motion was made by H. Nicholson with a second by K. Parker to approve as presented.

Yes Votes: M. Hart, D. Elam, S. Brinlee, C. Holcomb, B. Day, P. Polk, M. White, K. Meek, M. Brown, K. Burkhardt, J. Cochran, B. Clark, C. Parham, R. Poland
No Votes: None.
Recused: R. Ross
Motion Carried.

5. Update and discussion regarding finalizing service fees for FY 2022-2023 (Mike Fina, Executive Director).

Discussion and recommendation to keep service fees the same and revisit in 12 to 24-months. R. Poland asked for questions. With no further questions, a motion was made by B. Clark with a second by M. White to approve as presented.

Yes Votes: R. Poland, R. Ross, M. Hart, D. Elam, C. Holcomb, B. Day, P. Polk, H. Nicholson, K. Meek, M. Brown, K. Burkhardt, C. Parham, J. Cochran
No Votes: None.
All voted yes. Motion Carried.

6. Discussion regarding Arkansas's "Be Local Be Heard" Advocacy Initiative (Mike Fina, Executive Director).

Played a video from Belocalbeheard.com tools to education legislature and citizens on harm from preemption; Great sample campaigns from Arkansas Municipal League; including regional meetings with legislators. The cost for AML was approximately \$100,000.

No Formal Action Taken.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION (if requested):

A motion was made by H. Nicholson with a second by R. Ross at 1:00 p.m. to go into Executive Session.

Yes Votes: M. Hart, D. Elam, C. Holcomb, B. Day, P. Polk, M. White, K. Meek, M. Brown, K. Parker, K. Burkhardt, C. Parham, J. Cochran, B. Clark, R. Poland
No Votes: None
All Voted Yes. Motion Carried.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

1. A motion was made to return from Executive Session by R. Ross with a second by K. Parker.

Yes Votes: M. Hart, D. Elam, C. Holcomb, B. Day, P. Polk, M. White, K. Meek, M. Brown, H. Nicholson, K. Burkhardt, C. Parham, J. Cochran, B. Clark, R. Poland
No Votes: None
All Voted Yes. Motion Carried.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

1. There being no further business, R. Poland adjourned the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

Mike Fina, Executive Director