

Reschedule CORTPO Technical Board May 22, 2025, 11:15 a.m. COEDD, 400 N. Bell St, Shawnee

Or

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting Minutes

Jim Greff	Α	Crystal Stevens	Р	
Amy Hill	Р	Melissa Fesler	Р	
Randy Heisler	Р	Wendy Rutter	Р	
Cory Swearingen	Р			
Tina Lowery	Р			

1. Call to Order

11:30 due to technical difficulties

2. Roll Call

Jim Greff: A, Amy Hill: Present, Randy Heisler: Present, Cory Swearingen: Present, Tina Lowery: Present, Crystal Stevens: Present, Melissa Fesler: Present, Wendy Rutter: Present

3. Introduction of Guests - None

4. Mobility Manager update:

Kristen- I attended the Hughes County Coalition; it is a community resource meeting to follow up on the resource fair. Logan County Partnership discussion to initiate CHNA assessment to pursue CHIP. It is vital to embed transportation into the plan. I volunteered at the Sooner Success Sibling Camp at the JD McCarty Center. Met with Embark to establish the Central rural coordination meetings, hopefully having that kicked off in June. Met with 1st Capital Trolley and COTS about the TSET Legacy Grant. Working with Okemah and the OSU Extension with an ongoing collaborative discussion for Main St improvement and connecting seniors to active living resources. I attended the Pottawatomie County CHIP meeting discussing CHNA. Attended OAAKA and Unity Forward Board Meetings to discuss partnerships and outreach. Meetings with



COTS to finalize grant projects. AMM Board Meeting- discussion site location of 2026 conference: developing outline for advocacy video for COEDD/CORTPO service region- this will be financed through ODOT.

5. Approve January 2025 minutes:

Clorisa- do I have a motion to approve the January 2025 minutes: Cory Swearingen 1st, Tina Lowery 2nd

6. The ROC bus schedule has been changed; their main driver is having to retire due to illness. I'll keep you updated when they get a new driver.

Clorisa- I have not heard from them about their availability for new events.

Tina – they aren't scheduling anything yet.

Clorisa – so we canceled all our events through June and will check back on our August events. If you have any events that we don't already have on our schedule and would like to request the bus let me know. I'm not sure if I can get the bus but it doesn't hurt to try.

Kristen – or if you would like to have us at your event

7. Approving the Public Comment Period for the Long-Range Transportation Plan. Comments will be reviewed and submitted to the Policy Board for the July meeting. If approved the comment period will begin on May 29th.

Clorisa – I'm going to need to table this. Our rep from ODOT left so we went back to Devon, and he found some things that he wanted to change. It's not too terrible but I will need to finish those changes before we can get back to it.

8. Updating the Tech Committee board.

Clorisa- Bring suggestions on who to invite and their contacts. We need more representation, so I was going to invite Aveda and TSET to future meetings. I would like more tribes and nations to be represented. I'm hoping to go person to person and see if I can get more feedback.

Amy/Randy, do you have anyone that you would recommend?

Amy – Did you say you have reached out to Citizen Potawatomi Nation?

Clorisa- I have but I haven't received anything back from them.

Kristen – Amy can you help me get ahold of Denise; I've been trying since the middle of last year.



Amy – I can try, that's all I can do. Amy – the next TDOT meeting is in August, that would be a great opportunity to meet with them there.

Randy – Have you met with anyone from Pawnee, like the mayor?

Clorisa – Yes, I have, I will be in Cleveland next week and plan on swinging by and making contact again.

Kristen – we might reach out to Melana at the Pawnee college

Clorisa – maybe.

Amy – how far south does your region go?

Clorisa - Hughes County

Randy- to get back to the plan, are all the transits in there?

Clorisa – yes, there is a chapter that has all the transits, locations, regions, and contacts.

Randy – is that in the index trying find it? I looked and probably missed it, I wasn't prepared for that kind of reading, it's long. Randy- I know one of them has Cimarron misspelled, and I wanted to get that fixed.

Clorisa – I had it in the actual report, and they wanted it in the appendix but then changed their mind and wants it back in the report.

Randy – did you see yours anywhere?

Amy - did you send this to us

Clorisa- yes it was attached to the agenda

Amy- it's on page 20-chapter 12 public transportation.

Clorisa, I have it on page 53 to 55. But they want me to expand that chapter too.

Randy – I don't see you in there Amy.

Amy- it's listed as Muscogee Creek Nation transit, but it can be listed as tribal transit.

Randy – I see it on the map.

Kristen – it is in two lines; it changed from one long table to a side by side.

Clorisa – I see that, I'll fix it.

Randy – do you need an address for us?

Clorisa – yes, that would be great, I couldn't find it anywhere.

Randy – that would be 501 6th street here in Pawnee.



Amy- what page are you looking at now?

Clorisa – we are on page 64 looking at the table.

Randy- that's why I missed it.

Clorisa- we will fix those. If you could go through and send me any suggestions that would be very helpful.

Randy- it looks like you are doing a great job, who keeps asking for more?

Clorisa- ODOT

Randy- who at ODOT?

Clorisa- Our representative.

Kristen - they had a staff change

Clorisa- the guy we had before approved the plan for public comments but when he left the next guy wanted more, he sent me 4 pages of edits. But now I have a new guy, and we'll have to see what he says.

Amy-I would go to their state coordinated plan and copy those sections in.

Clorisa- I think I have a better understanding of what they are wanting. I'm going to stick with his edits; I like how he has it so I'm going to finish his way. Then we will ask for approval for the public comments.

Amy- then it will be time to do it again

Clorisa- yah aha, it's a fluid report so as things are changed, we put in an addendum. We want to schedule some meetings to get more public input. What areas in our 8-county region do you suggest we have meetings? What areas do you think their populous don't get a voice in transit? We would like to go to Pawnee, anything in Hughes County, Okemah, Wewoka, Chandler, Prague, Davenport. We might do Davenport instead of Chandler. Holdenville, Weleetka.

9. Old Business

Clorisa- does anyone have anything they would like to bring up?

Amy- I make a motion to get you a new laptop haha.

Clorisa- It is a new laptop, I just got it from the shop.

10. New Business.

Clorisa- I don't have anything



Kristen- I want to say how much we appreciate all the work you do.

Randy- I want to comment on Melissa's background. It is great.

Mellissa- if anyone wants to use it.

Amy- thank you, it feels good to be noticed.

11. Adjourn **11:49**