



**CORTPO Policy Board**  
**September 17, 2025, 11:15 a.m.**

**Join Zoom Meeting**

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**September Policy Meeting**

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| <b>Jim Greff</b>      |  | <b>Rhonda Markum</b>     |  | <b>Non-Voting Members</b> |  |
| <b>Dale Stringer</b>  |  | <b>Angela Williams</b>   |  | <b>Tanner Mikles</b>      |  |
| <b>Jimmy Stokes</b>   |  | <b>Rick Stubblefield</b> |  | <b>Ron Brown</b>          |  |
| <b>Kristy Lesley</b>  |  |                          |  | <b>Rick Howland</b>       |  |
| <b>Keith Jennings</b> |  |                          |  | <b>Trapper Parks</b>      |  |

1. Call to Order @ 11:15
2. Roll Call Jim Greff-present, Dale Stringer-present, Jimmy Stokes-present, Kristy Lesley-absent, Keith Jennings-present, Rhonda Markum-present, Angela Williams-absent, Rick Stubblefield-present.
3. Introduction of Guests: no guests
4. Mobility Managers Report: Kristen is out of the office, please see her report. If you have any questions please feel free to contact her.
5. **COTS**
  - a. Ongoing discussion on facility and parking upgrades
  - b. Embark – potential partnership to address Pott Cty/OKC commute
  - c. Rescheduled ride-along to interview COTS leadership, drivers, and riders for Miles Away project

**Central OK Workforce Innovation Board** – partnership development to address workforce statistics across OK

**Sooner Success** – Sib Shops

  - d. Okemah – Oct. 10 in collaboration with city of Okemah and KATS
  - e. Pawnee – in development in collaboration with Pawnee County Health Coalition and various community partners
  - f. Ongoing discussion to expand and integrate transportation partners in Sib shops across the state

**Oklahoma Aging Leadership Academy** take-aways

  - g. Increased understanding of existing barriers and stigmas surrounding aging



- h. Networking and direct access to decision makers in the various aging sectors
- i. Collaboration and networking with partner agencies across the state

**Embark Collaboration**

- j. Ongoing discussion with Ariel Carroll to identify potential opportunities to connect the I40 corridor between Pott and OK counties
- k. Collaborative grant opportunities – this is especially beneficial when grants are region specific (urban vs rural)
- l. (\*developing collaboration with Joey (MM in Eastern OK) to address I40 east corridor)

**Mobility Week, Nov. 2-8, 2025**

- m. Kicked off Mobility Week campaign with Lunch & Learn webinar
- n. Ongoing partnerships with agencies to promote Mobility Week

**Developmental Disabilities Council** – potential partnerships for travel training and technology

**OK Heart Collaborative**

- o. Seminole County pilot to increase SNAP program participation
- p. Currently in partnership phase – Seminole Nation Transit and COTS are public transit opportunities

**County Specific Transportation Coalitions** – in development to address county specific transportation challenges and opportunities

- q. Pott County – scheduled in partnership with Clorisa, Tina (COTS), and Ariel (Embark). This will be a Transportation specific coalition as there isn't a good fit that exists in the community
- r. Pawnee County – scheduled in partnership with Pawnee County Health Coalition. This will be added as a static agenda item to the existing coalition, meeting every 3rd Monday.

**Aging Our Way** – Transportation Workgroup – this is a statewide workgroup to address Goal 6 of the Aging Our Way long range plan. Co-facilitator with ODOT.

- s. In person training scheduled in conjunction with MM roundtable meeting on 9/23

**Oklahoma Health Care Authority/Sooner Ride** – developing partnership to address NEMT needs across the state

**AAA collaboration** – partnering with Debra on several upcoming opportunities

- t. Caregiver Conference 11/6
- u. Resource guides/reference materials

6. Review the new Orientation Manual and vote for approval. The Manual was sent out with only a few markups or changes requested. After the changes were updated, the manual was sent out again, no new comments were made. Can I get a vote to approve the updated manual? Jim Greff 1<sup>st</sup>, Jimmy Stokes 2<sup>nd</sup>
7. Approval of the 15-day public comment period for the 2025-2026 PWP. The Technical Board approved their 15-day comment period and will meet again on the 29<sup>th</sup>, and any comments will be reviewed and forwarded to the Policy Board. I would suggest October 8th. That date is fine with everyone. Can I get a vote: Dale Stringer 1<sup>st</sup>, Rhonda Markum 2<sup>nd</sup>,



8. Any new comments- I will be out of the office until the end of October for medical leave. I will be checking emails and voice mails.
9. Adjourn: Jimmy Stokes 1<sup>st</sup>, Jim Greff 2<sup>nd</sup>