

**Oklahoma Domestic Violence Fatality Review Board**  
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**MEETING MINUTES**

**June 28, 2023**

**Meeting Venue:** Western Technology Center – Fire Safety Building – Building D Classroom 2  
2605 E. Main St, Weatherford, OK 73096

**MEMBERS**

Celia Cobb (OCME) [P]	Melanie Ferguson (ODMHSAS) [A]	Carr, Janice (ONA) [P]
Karen Cunningham (OAG) [P]	Constanzia Nizza (OJA alt.) [P]	Beatty, Angela (OCADVSA alt) [P]
Susan Laib (OAG alt.) [P]	Hawkins, Scott (OSA) [A]	Pasley, Brandon (OCADVSA) [P]
Jackie Shawnee (OSDH) [A]	Don Sweger (OACP) [A]	Stinson, Sheila (Supreme Court) [P]
Nicholls, Emily (OSDH IPS alt.) [P]	Goree, Julie (OBA) [P]	Thomas, Laura (DAC) [A]
Leslie Hargis (OKDHS alt.) [P]	Jelley, Martina (OSMA) [A]	Harrison, Shelly (NAAV) [A]
Heather Cropper (OSBI) [A]	Coffey, Sarah (OOA) [P]	Bardin, Tania (NAAV) [P]

**I. Call to Order and Confirmation of Compliance with Open Meeting Act**

Vice-Chair Brandon Pasley (OCADVSA) presided over the regularly scheduled meeting of the Oklahoma Domestic Violence Fatality Review Board, held at the Western Technology Center in Weatherford, OK, on June 28, 2023. Notice of the meeting was posted annually with the Secretary of State before the December 15, 2022 deadline and at the Office of the Attorney General more than 24 hours in advance. Vice-Chair Brandon Pasley (OCADVSA) called the meeting to order at 9:14 am.

**II. Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum**

Roll call was conducted at 9:14 am. Quorum was achieved at roll call with 12 members present. One alternate was present but was not counted towards quorum due to the primary designee being present. This was the case with Susan Laib (OAG alt.). Others present included OAG DVFRB Program Manager (PM) Anthony Hernández Rivera and OAG DVFRB Research Analyst Nicholas Massey. Quorum was maintained throughout the meeting. Guest speaker Allison Rickey was also present. Ms. Rickey is a Victim Witness Coordinator for District Attorney Angela Marsee (DA District 2).

**III. Discussion and Possible Action on Approval of Minutes from the May 24, 2023, Regular Meeting\***

Angela Beatty (OCADVSA) moved to approve the minutes from the May 24, 2023, DVFRB Regular Meeting. Sara Coffey (OOA) seconded the motion. The motion to approve the minutes passed by roll call vote (9 Aye, 3 Abstain, 0 Nay).

**IV. Consideration of Motion to Adjourn to Executive Session\***

*Pursuant to 25 O.S. § 307B for the purpose of case review*

- a. **Adjourn to Executive Session\***
- b. **Continued review and discussion of case #200043**
- c. **Consideration to exit from executive session and return to regular meeting agenda.**

Angela Beatty (OCADVSA) made a motion to adjourn to executive session at 9:16 am. Emily Nicholls (OSDH-IPS) seconded the motion. The motion passed by roll call vote (12 Aye, 0 Nay,

Supported by the Office of Attorney General

0 Abs). Quorum was maintained throughout executive session. Victim Witness Coordinator Allison Rickey was present till the lunch adjournment. She talked about domestic violence and sexual assault issues in DA District #2 and her impressions on case #200043. Ms. Rickey also answered questions on case #200043 from DVFRB members. District Attorney Angela Marsee called in via telephone at approximately 10:10 am and gave an overview of the prosecution associated with case #200043. She also fielded questions about the case from DVFRB members. DA Marsee disconnected from the phone at approximately 10:30 am. A family member of the victim associated with the case arrived at approximately 10:32 am. The family member was there to answer questions from the DVFRB and give testimony on the impact of the death. This family member departed at approximately 11:00 am. The Board came out of executive session at 11:44 am.

**V. Announcement by Chair as to the necessity of any Board action as a result of Executive Session. Vote as a result of Executive Session\***

No announcement. No action was taken as a result of Executive Session.

**VI. Announcement – Lunch Recess**

Vice-Chair Brandon Pasley (OCADVSA) and DVFRB PM Anthony Hernández announced the Board would take a lunch break and reconvene at 12:45 pm.

**VII. Reconvening of the Meeting – Chair**

Vice-Chair Brandon Pasley (OCADVSA) reconvened the meeting at 1:03 pm.

**VIII. Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum**

Roll call was conducted at 1:03 pm. Quorum was achieved at roll call with 12 members present. One alternate was present but again not counted towards quorum due to the primary designee being present. This was the case with Susan Laib (OAG alt.). Present staff included OAG DVFRB Program Manager (PM) Anthony Hernández Rivera and OAG DVFRB Research Analyst Nicholas Massey. Quorum was maintained throughout the meeting. Guest speaker Retired Weatherford Police Department (WPD) Chief Louis Flowers was also present.

**IX. Consideration of Motion to Adjourn to Executive Session\***

*Pursuant to 25 O.S. § 307B for the purpose of case review*

**d. Adjourn to Executive Session\***

**e. Continued review and discussion of case #200043**

**f. Consideration to exit from executive session and return to regular meeting agenda.**

Sarah Coffey (OOA) made a motion to adjourn to executive session at 1:05 pm. Angela Beatty (OCADVSA) seconded the motion. The motion passed by roll call vote (12 Aye, 0 Nay, 0 Abs). Quorum was maintained throughout executive session. Retired WPD Chief was present during executive session to talk about domestic violence issues in his jurisdiction during his tenure as WPD Chief and to answer questions on case #200043 from DVFRB members. He exited the meeting at approximately 2:00 pm. WPD Lieutenant Matt Bartell arrived at the meeting at approximately 2:24 pm. He talked about domestic violence incidence in Weatherford, OK and gave an overview on his role investigating and testifying about case #200043. He also fielded questions from the DVFRB on case #200043. Lt. Bartell departed the meeting at approximately 3:08 pm. The Board came out of executive session at 3:33 pm.

**X. Announcement by Chair as to the necessity of any Board action as a result of Executive Session. Vote as a result of Executive Session\***

No announcement. No action was taken as a result of Executive Session.

**XI. New Business Not Known or Which Could Not Have Been Reasonably Foreseen Before the Posting of the Agenda in Accordance with 25 O.S. § 311(9).**

No new business.

**XII. Announcements**

No announcements.

**XIII. Adjournment\***

Sarah Coffey (OOA) made a motion to adjourn at 3:33 pm. The motion was seconded by Karen Cunningham (OAG). The motion passed by unanimous decision. The meeting adjourned at 3:33 pm.