

SkillsUSA Oklahoma Executive Council Minutes

Tuttle Seminar Center

Oklahoma Dept. of CareerTech, Stillwater, OK



Friday, November 14, 2025

I. Call to Order, Opening Ceremony

Meeting was called to order at 9:41am by President Blake-Lee Green, State President
Opening Ceremonies was performed and new Post Secondary Officers were introduced:
President Sara Grissom
Vice President Blake Thomas
Secretary Jadis Pierce
Reporter Tristan Hawes

II. Roll Call and Approval of January Minutes

Roll call was completed by Mila Ilyushenko, State Secretary
A motion was made by London Navarro to dispense with the reading of the minutes, seconded by Phillip Bueno, motion passed voice vote.
A motion was made to approve the January meeting minutes by Eve Mathews-Cox, seconded by Phillip Bueno, motion passed voice vote. Minutes were approved.

III. Reports of Officers and Committees

Treasurer's Report

Given by Jesse McClaran, State Treasurer. Balance of \$434,828.22 in the Banc First Account and \$32,466 in the Edward Jones Investment account for a total of \$463,359.

District Financial & Fall Leadership Reports

North West- bank balance \$199.23 . Had 511 registrants, and split conference into 2 separate days. 197 statesman pins were earned over the 2 days.

North Central- bank balance \$12,761.42 Held FLC at OSUIT Okmulgee, on Nov 7th and was well attended. \$ breakout sessions that students enjoyed. Many students received their statesman's pins and a special statesman's t-shirt.

North East- bank balance is \$14,386. Held FLC at Tulsa Tech Owasso. 286 registrants attended. There was a guest speaker as well as break-out sessions hosted by the district officers. Statesman completers received a pin. There were community service projects that included making blankets for a homeless shelter and donations to purchase trikes for the handicap through the Ambuc organization. The bikes will be assembled in the Spring at the Leadership contests. First time attendees, Nathan Hale High School enjoyed the event with all the Tulsa Tech Schools.

South Central- bank balance \$4,594. FLC was held at Gordon Cooper in Shawnee on Oct 23rd. 160 members attended. There was a guest speaker as well as breakout sessions for students to attend.

South West- bank balance \$14,6923. FLC had 396 attendees on Oct 28th. They are looking forward to hosting Spring Leadership contests at Grady County Fairgrounds on Feb 18th, 2026.

Public Relations/Publicity/Membership Report

Mia Reich, State Historian

Report given by Mia Reich and Eve Mathews-Cox, reminded that CEP is due March 21st 2026.

Postsecondary Fall Leadership Report

Report given by Post Secondary State Officers. On October 24th in Guthrie 279 members attended breakout sessions and elected the new PS officers.

State Conference

Report given by Memphis Hixon- State Conference 2025 had approximately 4500 in attendance; SLSC 2026 will be April 19-21st in Tulsa

National Conference

Report by Post Secondary officers- NLSC 2025- 433 in delegation from Oklahoma. 274 students competed in 155 contests (12 more than 2024). 39 Gold, 11 silver, 16 bronze; total of 66 medals. 145 students earned Skills Points Certificates. National Postsecondary President Elected- Memphis Hixon. NLSC 2026 is June 1-5th in Atlanta. New Hotel will be the Omni.

SLI/WLTI

SLI was held at NOC in Tonkawa; 168 attendees. 2026 will be held in the same location on June 16-19.

WLTI held in Washinton DC had 9 state officers attend and participate.

Report given by London Navarro.

District Directors

Report given by Teresa Piper. Directors met electronically and discussed the limitations for District Contests. They all need judge help for competitions and just keep trying to remind all teachers that registrations for Regionals are due Jan 5th.

State Advisor's Report

Acting Interim State advisor Renee Reed gave report. Reported that the state advisor position has been offered and new person will start Jan 5th. Highlighted 2025-year, growth in membership, new programs added, goals for a better registration process, council of industry supporters. Reminders of TPP being due, Moni Hotel change for Nationals, NLSC date change and preparation to make sure that everyone is ready to register for NLSC. State officer dates and events.

SkillsUSA Budget Approval

Budget was shared and approved. Motion by McClaran, second by Bueno.

Suggestion to raise SLSC registration fees by \$10 per person to offset the deficit that we spend on SLSC. Discussion and questions came. Group requested to see costs associated with advisor medals. Information was shared. Motion was made by Piper to raise registration \$5 per registrant, seconded by Carlson. Motion voted on and passed

More discussion followed. Motion was made by Pierce to do away with advisor medals, seconded by Ray. Motion voted on and passed. Discussion that medals will be available for purchase in the store for winning advisors.

V. Lunch Broke for lunch at 11:35, restarted meeting at 12:10

VI. Unfinished Business

Blake-Lee Green ran business session.

Amendment proposal 1, align verbiage with current practice regarding state officer voting (secondary officers) was shared, discussed. Motion was made by Ray, seconded by Reich, voted on and adopted to change by laws.

Amendment proposal 2, align verbiage to current practice regarding state officer voting (post-secondary officers) was shared, discussed. Motion was made by Hixon, seconded by Grissom, voted on and adopted to change by laws.

Amendment proposal 3, align/correct verbiage to current practice regarding state officer points system in scoring (secondary and post-secondary officers) was shared, discussed. Motion was made by Hixon, seconded by Thomas, voted on and adopted to change by laws.

VII. New Business

Blake-Lee Green introduced proposals with Renee Reed assisting.

Proposal 1, a three year and out for contests at SLSC that have low participation. Discussion and questions followed. Motion was made by Ray, seconded by Frick to move item to a committee made up of District Directors and Missy Kaiser to determine verbiage for proposal. Committee as to meet at conclusion of Exec Council Meeting to create verbiage.

Proposal 2, that only students that are in Trade and Industrial Education programs are allowed to participate in SkillsUSA activities. Proposal died due to lack of motion.

Closing Ceremonies were performed, meeting adjourned at 1:57pm