



**SOUTHERN OKLAHOMA
DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION
Board of Directors Meeting
August 23, 2019**

MEETING BRIEFING

The SODA Board of Directors met at for its regular August meeting at Southern Tech in Ardmore, Oklahoma.

New Directors

The Board of Directors approved new members. Coalgate City Manager Richard Hart, who is replacing Roger Cospers, and Madill City Manager James Fullingim.

CENA Awards for 2020

The Board of Directors approved CENA awards to 37 area senior centers in the amount of \$205,400 with a retainage of \$9,975 for emergency funding for a total of \$215,375 for FY 20 CENA awards.

Board Meeting Schedule for 2020

The regular Board Meeting Schedule for calendar year 2020 was approved. All regular meetings are scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. Regular board meetings are scheduled for February 28, 2020 in Tishomingo at Murray State College, April 24 in Ada at Oak Hill Country Club, June 26, 2020 in Tishomingo at Murray State College, August 28, 2020 in Ardmore at Southern Oklahoma Technology Center, October 23, 2020 in Paul's Valley at Donald W. Reynolds Recreation Center and December 4, 2019 in Tishomingo at Murray State College.

Holiday Schedule for 2020

The Board of Directors approved holiday closings for the 2020 calendar year. For 2020 the SODA offices will be closed New Year's Day (January 1), Martin Luther King Jr. Day (January 20), Presidents' Day (February 17), Good Friday (April 10), Memorial Day (May 25), Independence Day (July 4) Labor Day (September 7), Columbus Day (October 12), Veterans Day (November 11), Thanksgiving (November 26-27), and Christmas (December 24-25).

USDA Technical Assistance Award

The Board of Directors accepted a grant award from USDA Rural Development in the amount of \$95,000 to fund a pilot project to provide planning services to several small communities in persistent poverty or high unemployment counties in the SODA service area.

Announcements and Reports

CDBG/READ applications will be accepted online at <http://reap.soda-ok.org> from September 1 – October 15.