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The Anchor School

Minutes

Board of Directors Meeting

Date and Time

Wednesday February 25, 2026 at 7:00 PM

Location

Virtual for board members

Directors Present

A. Pressey (remote), E. Desprez Isbell (remote), J. Burton (remote), J. Jordan (remote), J. Whittington (remote), K. James, K. Sargeant (remote), S. Kollu (remote), S. Stewart (remote), T. Winston (remote), V. Thompson (remote)

Directors Absent

C. Humphrey, N. LeBlanc

Directors who arrived after the meeting opened

K. James

Ex Officio Members Present

J. Pinto Taylor (remote)

Non Voting Members Present

J. Pinto Taylor (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

E. Desprez Isbell called a meeting of the board of directors of The Anchor School to order on Wednesday Feb 25, 2026 at 7:05 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

E. Desprez Isbell made a motion to approve the minutes from Board of Directors Meeting on 01-28-26.

A. Pressey seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Public Comment

A. Parent of 6th and 8th grader shared there will be a PTA meeting tomorrow, making decision about bylaws/guidelines. Virtual meeting,

TAS Village Council Meeting 6:15 PM - 8:15 PM Thu, Feb 26, 2026 Meeting to begin efforts to finalize the Village Council Join with Google Meet: <https://meet.google.com/xwp-oivo-znk>

III. Executive Director Report

A. Executive Director Report

- Black History Month program on Friday at 11am in the Student Center, "Two Voices, One Sound."
- Hiring Day will also be on Friday, 4 candidates interested in joining staff at TAS
- Operational Updates: Facility renovations will begin in early April.
- Academic Update: response to mid-year academic data, Interim formative assessments

IV. Academic Achievement

A. Academic Dashboard Review

- Reviewed the Academic Dashboard
 - Winter MAP data review

B. Item for Action: Proposed SY262-27 School Calendar

- Reviewed the proposed SY26-27 School Calendar and comments from the stakeholder survey and board from last month.

E. Desprez Isbell made a motion to approve the SY26-27 Academic Calendar for Scholars and Family.

J. Burton seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

C. Item for Information: Assessment Calendar for SY 26-27

- Reviewed a draft of the SY26-27 Assessment Calendar.
 - Many of the same assessments from years past, with the addition of PSAT, AP World History

V. Community Engagement & Advancement (Ad-hoc)

A. Committee Updates

- PTO shared email inbox now exist for the PTO: taspto@anchorschool.org
- Communication "audit" took place to think about how to strength the various comms around TAS
 - Taskforce will dive into this comms portion further with The Donovan group
- Reenrollment - 97% of rising 7th graders are re-enrolled, over 300 committed families for next year with a goal of 340-350 families.

K. James arrived.

VI. Finance

A. December 2025 Financial Summary

- Reviewed the January Financial Summary from Ed Tech

B. Facility Team Updates

- Wednesday 9am Facility Team Meetings (includes architect, project manager, contract, other members of the team)
- Reviewing the bathroom renovation work to determine if it can be done without disrupting school operations.
 - Adding new bathrooms
 - Adding two additional staff restrooms
- Plan to submit permits next week, begin renovations in April

C. Line of Credit Term Sheet

- Dr. PT shared the South State Non-Binding Term Sheet (expires at the end of the month)
- Thea shared the Finance Committee recommendation to accepting the terms for the \$150K line of credit from South State Bank

Action Item: Dr. PT to ask about two signatures on the loan (Executive Director and Treasury).

T. Winston made a motion to approve moving forward with accepting the terms for a \$150K line of credit from South State Bank to supplement TAS cash flow and days cash on hand.

V. Thompson seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

D. Line of Credit Drawdown Procedure

- This procedure establishes internal controls and authorization requirements for drawing funds from the School's approved Line of Credit (LOC) to ensure fiscal responsibility, transparency, and proper oversight.

E. Desprez Isbell made a motion to approve the line of credit drawdown procedure (which establishes internal controls and authorization requirements for drawing funds from the School's approved Line of Credit (LOC) to ensure fiscal responsibility, transparency, and proper oversight).

T. Winston seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

VII. Governance

A. Item for Action: CSP SE Subgrant Update

E. Desprez Isbell made a motion to The Board will vote to accept the terms and conditions of the CSP agreement. This step is required because there has been a transition in management of this grant from the SCSF to the SCSC.

J. Burton seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Action Item: Dr. PT to send the meeting minute to the new grant management organization.

VIII. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:13 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
E. Desprez Isbell

The Anchor School is a village of educators, families, and community members that partners with 6th through 12th-grade students* who are developing the knowledge, skills, and confidence they need to thrive in school and beyond. Through our commitment to excellent instruction, community partnerships, and holistic student development, we cultivate anchors that build a more just and equitable future.

**In August 2022, the SCSC authorized TAS as a GA Charter School with approval to enroll students who will be in the 6th grade in the fall of 2023.*