



Texas Center for Arts + Academics

Minutes

TCAA Board Special Session

Date and Time

Tuesday April 27, 2021 at 6:00 PM

Location

- Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84648488696>
- Meeting ID: 846 4848 8696
- One tap mobile
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Directors Present

Charles Reid (remote), Daniel Bates (remote), Leslie Wade (remote), Mary A. Zimmerman (remote), Melissa Goodroe (remote), Michael Wellbaum (remote)

Directors Absent

Leslie Scott

Ex Officio Members Present

Paul Gravley (remote)

Non Voting Members Present

Paul Gravley (remote)

Guests Present

Betsy Compton (remote), Janelle Grau (remote), Jennifer Jackson (remote), Monica Sheehan (remote), Nancy Vaughan (remote), Penny Clay (remote), Phillip Garrott (remote), Sheyna Ferraro (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

Melissa Goodroe called a meeting of the board of directors of Texas Center for Arts + Academics to order on Tuesday Apr 27, 2021 at 6:17 PM.

B. Record Attendance and Guests

II. Public Comments

A. Public Comments

- No Public Comments

III. Consent Agenda

A. Approve Minutes

Mary A. Zimmerman made a motion to approve the minutes from TCA+A Special Session of the Board on 02-23-21.

Michael Wellbaum seconded the motion.

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

B. Approve Minutes

Mary A. Zimmerman made a motion to approve the minutes from TCAA Board Meeting on 03-23-21.

Michael Wellbaum seconded the motion.

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

C. Finance Statements

Mary A. Zimmerman made a motion to approve financial statements.
Michael Wellbaum seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

IV. Financial

A. Audit Engagement Letter

Charles Reid made a motion to engage Freemon, Shapard, & Story for FY2022.
Leslie Wade seconded the motion.

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

- No increase in fee
- Ted Neeb is still engagement manager
- Interim field work begins in June probably remote
- Final audit work will be in October probably remote
- Final report at the January 2022 board meeting

V. Academics

A. New EMAT Allotment and TEKS Certification

- Submit a form to TEA with board approval which no longer needs Board Chair signature
- Campus Principals will attest and verify that it has been taken to the board for approval so it is an attestation

B. TeSA - New EMAT Allotment and TEKS Certification

- Request of subject materials to be ordered by the principal

Michael Wellbaum made a motion to approve New EMAT Allotment and TEKS Certifications for TeSA.

Mary A. Zimmerman seconded the motion.

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

C. FWAFA - New EMAT Allotment and TEKS Certification

- Request of subject materials to be ordered by the principal

Daniel Bates made a motion to approve New EMAT Allotment and TEKS Certifications for FWAFA.

Charles Reid seconded the motion.

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

D.

Innovative Courses

- College Transition Course
- Honors Theater Course
- These are both for local credit only

Mary A. Zimmerman made a motion to approve the course catalog changes proposed by administration.

Leslie Wade seconded the motion.

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

VI. CEO Updates

A. Updates

- Invitation to TeSA's virtual performances streaming live at artsacademics.org
 - Dare to Dream, Welcome to the Jungle, and Dear Edwina, Jr.
- Invitation to in-person at FWAFA
 - live screening on the green space of SGT program and Academy Dancers
- Invitation to Graduation on May 26, 2021 at MacGorman Chapel and Performing Arts Center
- 2022 World Choir Games - SGT & TBC traveling to perform
 - fundraising and details are in motion already
- Legislature is in session and it appears to have some favorable signs for charter schools in terms of accountability and funding
- Posted Chief Academic Officer / Deputy Superintendent job description to find a replacement for Dr. Vaughan

VII. Resource Development

A. Resource Development

- Virtual Gala
 - Shout out to FWAFA Alumni Ahmad Simmons, Jay Johnson Armstrong, and Allison Robinson who took this virtual Gala to another level
 - 22 Alumni participated in the Gala
 - Grossed over \$42K from sponsorships, ticket donations, donations during the Gala, After Party, and the Auction
 - 44 Individual Donors
 - 27 Auction Donors
 - 4 Business partnerships
 - Audience - estimate over 300 attendees
 - over 130 devices connected which included 17 watch parties
 - Net around \$35K which is similar to in-person Galas of previous years

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 6:47 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Melissa Goodroe

B. CERTIFICATE AS TO POSTING OR GIVING OF NOTICE