



Texas Center for Arts + Academics

Minutes

TCAA Session of the Board

Date and Time

Friday November 20, 2020 at 6:00 PM

Location

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88919156344>

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Directors Present

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

Directors Absent

Michael Wellbaum

Ex Officio Members Present

Paul Gravley (remote)

Non Voting Members Present

Paul Gravley (remote)

Guests Present

Penny Clay (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Melissa Goodroe called a meeting of the board of directors of Texas Center for Arts + Academics to order on Friday Nov 20, 2020 at 6:05 PM.

II. Public Comments

A. Public Comments

- No public comments were made.

III. Closed Session

A. Convened to Closed Session at 6:07pm

- Opened in Closed Session at 6:09pm
- Closed in Closed Session at 6:13pm

IV. Academics

A. FWAFA Semester Exam Weight

- Shift in the grading policy concerning final exams
 - Best for students
 - Make it equitable for in-person and at-home learners
- Current language indicates 10% of their semester grade will consist of a semester exam
- Change to: average 1st, 2nd, and 3rd six weeks grades for semester one grade and average 4th, 5th, and 6th six weeks grades for semester two grade rather than have a final exam for 10% of the grade

- Revised verbiage in the handbook would read:
 - SEMESTER AVERAGES Grades 3-12
 - The semester average should be the average of the first three or second three grading periods.

Mary A. Zimmerman made a motion to approve semester exam grading policy change.

Leslie Scott seconded the motion.

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

V. 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 6:21 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Melissa Goodroe

B. CERTIFICATE AS TO POSTING OR GIVING OF NOTICE