APPROVED

TEXAS CENTER FOR ARTS + ACADEMICS

Texas Center for Arts + Academics

Minutes

TCA+A Board Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday September 21, 2021 at 6:00 PM

Location
Fort Worth Academy of Fine Arts' Theatre
3901 S. Hulen St.
Fort Worth, TX 76109

In-person Meeting Return: *Governor Abbott's March 2020 order temporarily suspending certain provisions of the Open Meetings Act due to the COVID-19 pandemic disaster expired August 31, 2021. Consequently,* ***TCA+A Board Meeting*** *for September 21, 2021 will be conducted in-person at Fort Worth Academy of Fine Arts.*

Directors Present
Charles Reid, Daniel Bates, Leslie Scott, Mary A. Zimmerman, Melissa Goodroe, Michael Wellbaum

Directors Absent
Leslie Wade

Ex Officio Members Present
Paul Gravley

Guests Present

Anika Perkins (remote), Betsy Compton, Janelle Grau, Jennifer Jackson, Kede Van Dyck, Lacey Gaymon, Luke Byford, Penny Clay, Phillip Garrott, Sheyna Ferraro

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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 Sep 21, 2021 at 6:08 PM.

B. Record Attendance and Guests

II. Public Comments

A. Public Comments

- There were no Public Comments

III. Consent Agenda

A. Approve August 24, 2021 Minutes

Leslie Scott made a motion to approve the minutes from TCA+A Board Meeting - Annual Meeting on 08-24-21.
Michael Wellbaum seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Approve September 7, 2021 Minutes

Leslie Scott made a motion to approve the minutes from TCA+A Special Session of the Board on 09-07-21.
Michael Wellbaum seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. August 2021 Finance Statements

Leslie Scott made a motion to approve August 2021 Finance Statements.
Michael Wellbaum seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

IV. Academics

A. Accountability Rating

- FWAFA - 2019 versus 2021
  - STAAR: 2021 score of 56 compared to 2019 score of 66

    - College Career Military Readiness: 2021 score of 68 compared to 2019 score of 76
    - Relative Performance where we look at economically disadvantaged students: 2021 (14.2% of students) score of 62 compared to 2019 (8.9% of students) score of 71
- TeSA - 2019 versus 2021
    - STAAR: 2021 score of 44 compared to 2019 score of 60
    - Relative Performance where we look at economically disadvantaged students: 2021 (22.3% of students) score of 44 compared to 2019 (1.5% of students) score of 60

B. Texas COVID Learning Acceleration Supports (TCLAS) Award

- TEA is being intentional in helping districts to get additional support for learning loss = TCLAS
- FWAFA TCLAS Award
    - Direct Grant Funds - $1,020,208.00 - comes directly to FWAFA to negotiate with TEA on how we can use those funds
    - Direct Funds - $282,892.00 TEA pays direct to Vendor on FWAFA's behalf
    - Total: $1,303,172.00
- TeSA TCLAS Award
    - Direct Grant Funds - $774,000.00 - comes directly to TeSA to negotiate with TEA on how we can use those funds
    - Direct Funds - $550,024.00 TEA pays direct to Vendor on TeSA's behalf
    - Total: $1,324,024.00
- $2.6 million funding coming to FWAFA and TeSA to help close the learning gap
- Notified today that FWAFA won College Success' Gold Standard Award for College Readiness

C. 2021-2022 TCA+A Virtual Academy

- 10 students have signed up for it
- Additional rule put in place where students out on Remote Conferencing Learning would count in the 10% total participation funding

D. Extension of Leave During Precautionary Exclusion

- Board to consider additional 64 hours of paid leave for staff unable to work due to their own COVID-19 illness or the need to quarantine as a result of direct exposure to a COVID-19 positive individual
- Federal Mandate of 2020: Families First Coronavirus Response Act gave employees 80 hours of paid leave - expired December 31, 2020 and the Board voted to extend it through June 15, 2021
- TCA+A recommends a retroactive resolution starting August 5, 2021, giving employees 64 hours of paid leave expiring January 12, 2022

- 64 hours = 8 work days vs. 80 hours = 10 work days

Charles Reid made a motion to approve the Resolution for Extension of Leave During Precautionary Exclusion.
Daniel Bates seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

V. CEO Report

A. Updates

- Health Protocol Update
  - Students out for COVID are participating in remote conferencing learning
  - TeSA - 7 students COVID positive
    - doing well with percentages of positive cases
  - FWAFA - 25 students COVID positive
    - higher percentages than TeSA
    - added Air Purifiers to help particularly in the basement
    - spreading out lunches allowing for more social distancing
    - looking at calendar and determining best practices for performances/events
    - gone back to virtual announcements
- Annual Campaign
  - kicks off on North Texas Giving Day, focusing in-house towards families and staff
  - TeSA and FWAFA focused information- mail going out to each campus with information specific to that campus
  - Implementing the theme The Power of And = Arts & Academics, Staff & Students, etc.
  - $75,000 Target Goal
- Gala
  - In-person in April
  - Working on a location, logistics, and sponsorship packets

VI. Governance

A. Elections and Transition of Board Officers

Michael Wellbaum made a motion to approve Leslie Scott for the Office of Chairman Elect.
Daniel Bates seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VII. 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 7:03 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Melissa Goodroe

B. CERTIFICATE AS TO POSTING OR GIVING OF NOTICE

Documents used during the meeting

- Cash Analysis Board - August 2021.pdf
- TCA+A - August 2021.pdf
- FWAFA-August 2021.pdf
- TESA-August 2021.pdf
- Texas School of the Arts Accountability Ratings Summary.pdf
- Fort Worth Academy of Fine Arts Accountablility Ratings Summary.pdf
- Fort Worth Academy of Fine Arts TCLAS Award.pdf
- Texas School of the Arts TCLAS Award.pdf
- Rationale for Resolution.pdf
- Resolution of Board for the Extension of Leave During Precautionary Exclusion.pdf