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TEXAS CENTER FOR ARTS + ACADEMICS

# Texas Center for Arts + Academics

## Minutes

### TCA+A Special Session of the Board - Hold Date In Case Urgent Action is Needed

**Date and Time**
Tuesday February 28, 2023 at 6:00 PM

**Location**
Kathleen E. Connors Theater
Texas School of the Arts (TeSA)
6025 Village Parkway
Edgecliff Village, TX 76134

**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 Meetings*** *will return to in-person meetings at Texas School of the Arts.*

**Directors Present**
Charles Reid, Daniel Bates, Leslie Scott, Mary A. Zimmerman

**Directors Absent**
Melissa Goodroe

**Ex Officio Members Present**
Paul Gravley

**Guests Present**

Anika Perkins, Betsy Compton, Celeste Filar, Lauren Whitson, Monica Sheehan, Penny Clay, Sheyna Ferraro

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## I. Opening Items

### A. Call the Meeting to Order

Daniel Bates called a meeting of the board of directors of Texas Center for Arts + Academics to order on Tuesday Feb 28, 2023 at 6:04 PM.

### B. Record Attendance and Guests

## II. Public Comments

### A. Public Comments

- No Public Comments were made

## III. Consent Agenda

### A. Approve January 26, 2023 Minutes

Leslie Scott made a motion to approve the minutes from TCA+A Special Session of the Board - Audit Presentation on 01-26-23.
Mary A. Zimmerman seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

## IV. Academics

### A. 2023-2024 Academic Calendar

- Anika Perkins presented the draft Academic Calendar for the 2034-2024 school year
  - Biggest change from past is not having the full week before Christmas off for break and this is because we need to have 3 full weekends in December to fit in all our holiday performances
  - Calendar must include:
    - 75,600 instructional minutes for students
    - 187 work days for teachers/staff

Charles Reid made a motion to approve the 2023-2024 Academic Calendar.
Leslie Scott seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

## V. Governance

### A. Board Membership

- Mr. Bates and Mr. Gravley shared insights into Cheryl Prince Bean's resume
  - She is the owner of B Smart Builders (BSB) established in 2009
  - Education includes: Master of Industrial Engineering; Bachelor of Computer Science
  - Has a grandchild at one of our campuses.

Mary A. Zimmerman made a motion to approve Cheryl Prince Bean for board membership.
Leslie Scott seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

## VI. CEO Report

### A. Updates

Mr. Gravley reported on:

- Open Enrollment / Audition Season-
  - Current students are submitting their letters of intent to return
  - TeSA's auditions are finished and waiting on scoring
  - FWAFA's auditions end this Saturday, March 4, 2023
  - Acceptance, Waitlist and No Thank You letters will go out by March 10th prior to leaving for Spring Break
- Councilman Michael Crain will be at FWAFA March 7th to present Thespian Proclamation
- Performances:
  - TeSA
    - *Bugz*
    - *Circus Circus*
    - *Go Fish*
    - *Frozen Jr.*
  - FWAFA
    - *Peter and the Starcatcher* just wrapped up
    - *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown* - Middle School Production March 31/April 1
    - *Seussical Kids* - FWAFA Elementary May 3/May 4 - each night has a different cast
- Spring Tours
  - SGT - Colorado tour end of March; performing at a choral festival in Winter Park
  - TBC - mid west tour through Missouri, Indiana, Michigan, Kansas City

## 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 6:56 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Daniel Bates

### B. CERTIFICATE AS TO POSTING OR GIVING OF NOTICE

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**Documents used during the meeting**

- TCA+A 23-24 District Calendar Feedback.pdf
- 2023-2024 District Calendar Draft.pdf
- Cheryl Bean Resume 2023.pdf