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Texas Center for Arts + Academics

**Minutes**

TCA+A Special Session of the Board

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**Date and Time**

Tuesday July 23, 2024 at 6:00 PM

**Location**

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

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**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.

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**Directors Present**

Charles Reid, Cheryl Bean (remote), Daniel Bates, Leslie Scott, Melissa Goodroe, Michael Wellbaum

**Directors Absent**

Mary A. Zimmerman

**Directors who arrived after the meeting opened**

Melissa Goodroe

**Directors who left before the meeting adjourned**

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Cheryl Bean

**Ex Officio Members Present**

Anika Perkins

**Non Voting Members Present**

Anika Perkins

**Guests Present**

Betsy Compton, Dean Micknal, Jennifer Jackson, Krista Langford, Lacey Gaymon, Penny Clay, Torie Skinner

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**I. Opening Items**

**A. Call the Meeting to Order**

Leslie Scott called a meeting of the board of directors of Texas Center for Arts + Academics to order on Tuesday Jul 23, 2024 at 6:06 PM.

**B. Record Attendance and Guests**

**II. Public Comments**

**A. Public Comments**

- No public comments were made

**III. Consent Agenda**

**A. Approve June 25, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes**

Daniel Bates made a motion to approve the minutes from TCA+A Board Meeting on 06-25-24.

Michael Wellbaum seconded the motion.

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

**IV. Closed Session**

**A. Convene to Closed Session**

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

Melissa Goodroe arrived.

## **B. Reconvene to Open Session**

- Closed Closed Session at 7:35pm
- Reconvened Open Session at 7:40pm

Cheryl Bean left.

## **C. Action Item(s)**

- No action was taken

# **V. Finance**

## **A. Approving Wealth Management & Trust Accounts Authority Resolution**

Daniel Bates made a motion to approve the Resolution with the amendment of adding Ann Mason and Samantha Young's names as representatives of Education Service Center Region 11.

Michael Wellbaum seconded the motion.

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

## **B. Approving Financial & Transition Authority Resolution**

Charles Reid made a motion to approve the Resolution with the amendment of adding Ann Mason and Samantha Young's names as representatives of Education Service Center Region 11.

Daniel Bates seconded the motion.

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

## **C. Investment Officer Appointment**

Daniel Bates made a motion to approve Jocelyn Greenman as Investment Officer.

Michael Wellbaum seconded the motion.

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

# **VI. Academics**

## **A. TeSA 2024-2025 Student Handbook**

Michael Wellbaum made a motion to approve the TeSA 2024-2025 Student Handbook. Charles Reid seconded the motion.

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

## **B. FWAFA 2024-2025 Student Handbook**

- Mr. Bates recommended adding a sentence to the Statement of Nondiscrimination that discrimination does not include differentiation of sex and gender in membership requirements for any groups within Fort Worth Academy of Fine Arts.
- Mr. Wellbaum recommended removing TCA+A from the beginning of the sentence since this is the FWAFA handbook. Then let the other individual organizations within their own handbooks further define what those organizations are/require, saying to maybe put a statement in acknowledging that other organizations within FWAFA may have a policy within their handbook that differentiates with regards to their requirements.
- Closed Open Session at 8:14pm
- Opened in Closed Session at 8:14pm
- Closed Closed Session at 8:52pm
- Reconvened Open Session at 8:54pm

Daniel Bates made a motion to approve the handbook with an amendment to add a sentence under discrimination within the section of the Statement of Nondiscrimination that would be differentiation according to sex in membership and access to groups under the auspices of TCA+A and FWAFA where applicable pursuant to approved policy is not considered discrimination.

Melissa Goodroe seconded the motion.

- Mr. Wellbaum asked how or who defines 'where applicable?'
- Mr. Bates responded we can add 'where applicable to policy.'

The motion did not carry.

#### **Roll Call**

Melissa Goodroe	Aye
Michael Wellbaum	No
Cheryl Bean	Absent
Charles Reid	No
Leslie Scott	No
Daniel Bates	Aye
Mary A. Zimmerman	Absent

Michael Wellbaum made a motion to approve the handbook with the redline revisions and the updates to the table of contents.

Charles Reid seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

Charles Reid	Aye
Leslie Scott	Aye
Daniel Bates	No
Cheryl Bean	Absent
Melissa Goodroe	No

**Roll Call**

Mary A. Zimmerman Absent

Michael Wellbaum Aye

**C. Academy Singers 2024-2025 Student Handbook**

Daniel Bates made a motion to approve the handbook with the recommended changes as well as add the verbiage from the proposed TBC handbook regarding overnight chaperone policy.

Michael Wellbaum seconded the motion.

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

**D. SGT 2024-2025 Student Handbook**

Michael Wellbaum made a motion to approve the handbook with the recommended changes as well as add the verbiage from the proposed TBC handbook regarding overnight chaperone policy.

Daniel Bates seconded the motion.

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

**E. TBC 2024-2025 Student Handbook**

Daniel Bates made a motion to approve the handbook with the recommended changes.

Melissa Goodroe seconded the motion.

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

**F. TeSA 2024-2025 Personnel Handbook**

Charles Reid made a motion to approve the handbook with the recommended changes and the Employee Technology Acceptable Use Policy.

Daniel Bates seconded the motion.

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

**G. FWAFA 2024-2025 Personnel Handbook**

Daniel Bates made a motion to approve the handbook with the recommended changes and the Employee Technology Acceptable Use Policy.

Melissa Goodroe seconded the motion.

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

**H. TCA+A 2024-2025 Personnel Handbook**

Charles Reid made a motion to approve the handbook with the recommended changes and the Employee Technology Acceptable Use Policy.

Michael Wellbaum seconded the motion.

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

**I. TeSA 2024-2025 Substitute Handbook**

Daniel Bates made a motion to approve the handbook with the recommended changes and the Employee Technology Acceptable Use Policy.

Charles Reid seconded the motion.

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

#### **J. FWAFA 2024-2025 Substitute Handbook**

Daniel Bates made a motion to approve the handbook with the recommended changes and the Employee Technology Acceptable Use Policy.

Charles Reid seconded the motion.

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

### **VII. CEO Report**

#### **A. Updates**

- Staff 2024 Convocation is August 5, 2024 | 9:00am to Noon | FWAFA Theater
  - Jennifer Cowley, UTA President is guest speaker
  - all board members are invited to attend
- August 12, 2024 is first day of school for students
- Enrollment Information 2024-2025
  - TeSA 345 with openings still in 1st grade
  - FWAFA 677 with openings in 4th grade and high school
- Teacher Incentive Allotment
  - these teachers will receive recognition at Convocation
  - they will also be recognized later in August in front of their students
- August 24, 2024 Boots & Bow Tie Gala
  - Torie Skinner gave an update on partnership, table, and ticket sales
  - invited all board members to attend

### **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 9:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Leslie Scott

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