APPROVED

TEXAS CENTER FOR ARTS + ACADEMICS

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Minutes

TCA+A Board Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday November 19, 2024 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
Cheryl Bean, Daniel Bates, Leslie Scott, Michael Wellbaum, Steven Jones, Wes Poole

Directors Absent
None

Ex Officio Members Present
Anika Perkins

Guests Present

Amy Prickett, Betsy Compton, Blake Anderson, Dean Micknal, Flor Cabrera, Jennifer Roby, Jocelyn Greenman, 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 Nov 19, 2024 at 6:09 PM.

B. Record Attendance and Guests

II. Public Comments

A. Public Comments

- No Public Comments were made

III. Recognition

A. TeSA Recognition

Betsy Compton recognized 5th Grade Ambassadors

- Chris Cherry - President
- Daymian Pettie - Vice President
- Rose Bocks
- Zowie Brown
- Riley Browning
- Jocelyn Gonzalez
- Malaika Hawthorne
- Grace Hniahum
- Mila Houston
- Galilea Jimenez
- Isella Lozano
- Victoria Petty
- Aubrey Shaw
- Annabelle Tavizon
- Sky Urenda
- Aussie Wofford

B. FWAFA Recognition and Student Performance

Bethany Stuab recognized Art Teachers:

- Michelle Petta
- Danette Corkran

for submitting FWAFA's application to Texas Art Education Agency

IV. Consent Agenda

A. Approve October 29, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Michael Wellbaum made a motion to approve the minutes from TCA+A Special Session of the Board on 10-29-24.
Daniel Bates seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Finance Statements

Michael Wellbaum made a motion to approve September 2024 finance statements.
Daniel Bates seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

V. Closed Session

A. Convene to Closed Session

- Closed Open Session at 6:19pm
- Opened in Closed Session at 6:21pm

B. Reconvene to Open Session

- Closed Closed Session at 7:10pm
- Reconvened Open Session at 7:14pm

C. Action Item

- No Action Taken

VI. Finance

A. FIRST Financial Management Reports

- TeSA received a 100% Rating
- FWAFA received a 86% Rating

VII. Governance

A. Proposed Board of Director Member: Myong Chong

Daniel Bates made a motion to approve Myong Chong's application for board membership.
Wes Poole seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VIII. Parent Organization Reports

A. TBC Parent Club

Parent Club President, Jennifer Roby reported:

- Holiday Performances
  - 4 Christmas with TBC Concerts
    - Weatherford, Dallas, Arlington, Fort Worth
- Honor Choir Auditions
  - Region 30 Honors Choir for middle school - 3 boys
  - High School All Region - 4 boys
  - All State Choir - Round 3 - 2 boys
- Dallas - March 2025
  - American Choral Directors Association Choir - 8 boys

IX. CEO Updates

A. Updates

Dr. Anika Perkings

- Thankful for our Board
- 2024 Niche Ratings - evaluation of schools based on various criteria, including academic performance, teacher diversity, clubs, administrative effectiveness, etc.
  - TeSA - 12th in Best Charter Elementary Schools in DFW
  - FWAFA - 6th in Best School District in Tarrant County, 10th in Best Charter Elementary School in DFW, 8th in Best High School for the Arts in Texas
  - Thankful for our staff and administrators who work hard to make our schools successful
- Performances
  - FWAFA Dance Concert going on tonight
  - FWAFA Addam's Family Musical last month
  - Nov. 29th and 30th - Home For the Holidays - TBC will perform at Bass Hall
  - Will email the board with all the December performance dates
- Open Enrollment - January 8, 2025 through February 7, 2025
  - Krista Langford, Director of Admissions & Community Outreach and Flor Cabrera, Director of Marketing and Communications - recognized for all their hardwork on the 2025-2026 open enrollment
  - Krista Langford - also recognized for her work with potential family tours of both campuses; approximately 90 scheduled to tour thus far

- Conservatories
  - Krista Langford - recognized for her tremendous efforts with expanding our afterschool conservatories
  - as of today - net profit of $24K since August 2024
- Amon G. Carter Grant Proposal/Award
  - Torie Skinner, Director of Development - recognized for her hard work on this grant proposal for facility renovations of both campuses
  - TCA+A was awarded $85K for pre-assessment costs of facility needs for both campuses

X. 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 7:43 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Leslie Scott

B. CERTIFICATE AS TO POSTING OR GIVING OF NOTICE