APPROVED

TEXAS CENTER FOR ARTS + ACADEMICS

Texas Center for Arts + Academics

Minutes

TCA+A Board Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday March 25, 2025 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
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Ex Officio Members Present
Anika Perkins

Guests Present

Amy Prickett, Betsy Compton, Blake Anderson, Dean Micknal, Flor Cabrera, Jennifer Jackson, Jocelyn Greenman, 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 Mar 25, 2025 at 6:08 PM.

B. Record Attendance and Guests

II. Public Comments

A. Public Comments

- No Public Comments were made

III. Recognition

A. TeSA Recognition

Mrs. Compton recognized:

- Kalisee Ishmael Wozniak for winning the Neighborhood Play Contest Festival of the Kid Scene Selection
  - 4th grader
  - Her piece, *The Chocolate Dragon*, was selected from 353 monologues, scenes, and plays

B. FWAFA Recognition and Performance

Dr. Jackson recognized:

- All FWAFA academic teachers for their work, especially their efforts to help students get ready for testing

She showed a video of Ms. Wiggin's third grade students participating in math activities involving multiplication.

IV. Consent Agenda

A. Approve February 25, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Steven Jones made a motion to approve the minutes from TCA+A Special Session of the Board - Hold in Case of Urgent Action on 02-25-25.

Cheryl Bean seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Finance Statements

Steven Jones made a motion to approve the January 2025 statements.
Cheryl Bean seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

V. Closed Session

A. Convene to Closed Session

- Closed Open Session at 6:14pm
- Opened in Closed Session at 6:15pm

B. Reconvene to Open Session

- Closed Closed Session at 7:12pm
- Reconvended Open Session at 7:16pm

C. Action Item(s)

Daniel Bates made a motion to form a Finance Committee.
Cheryl Bean seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VI. Finance

A. TeSA 2024-2025 Budget Amendments

Daniel Bates made a motion to approve the TeSA 2024-2025 Budget Amendments.
Michael Wellbaum seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. FWAFA 2024-2025 Budget Amendments

Daniel Bates made a motion to approve the FWAFA 2024-2025 Budget Amendments.
Cheryl Bean seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. TCA+A 2024-2025 Budget Amendments

Daniel Bates made a motion to approve the TCA+A 2024-2025 Budget Amendments.
Michael Wellbaum seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

D. Board Resolution Closing PPP Accounts with Frost Bank

Wes Poole made a motion to approve the Resolution Closing the FWAFA and TeSA PPP Accounts with Frost Bank.
Michael Wellbaum seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VII. Academics

A. TeSA EMAT Allotment and TEKS Certification

Daniel Bates made a motion to approve the TeSA EMAT Allotment and TEKS Certification.
Wes Poole seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. FWAFA EMAT Allotment and TEKS Certification

Daniel Bates made a motion to approve the FWAFA EMAT Allotment and TEKS Certification.
Michael Wellbaum seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. 2025-2026 Academic Calendar

Cheryl Bean made a motion to approve the 2025-2026 Academic Calendar.
Michael Wellbaum seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

D. TeSA February 19, 2025 Low Attendance Waiver

Daniel Bates made a motion to approve the TeSA February 19, 2025 Low Attendance Waiver.
Michael Wellbaum seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

E. FWAFA February 19, 2025 Low Attendance Waiver

Cheryl Bean made a motion to approve the FWAFA February 19, 2025 Low Attendance Waiver.
Daniel Bates seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

F. TeSA Teacher Incentive Allotment Expansion Application

Daniel Bates made a motion to approve the TeSA Teacher Incentive Allotment Expansion Application.
Cheryl Bean seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VIII. Governance

A. Policy Amendments

Daniel Bates made a motion to amend the Prohibited Discrimination, Retaliation, and Harrassment Policy by deleting 'gender' from section 1, 2ai, and 2aii and to eliminate section 2aiii.
Cheryl Bean seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

IX. CEO Report

A. Updates

Dr. Perkins reported out:

- FWAFA's 2025 Charter Renewal Application was approved by TEA, granting it's charter for another 10 years
- Conservatory Enrollment as of today:
  - 154 students in group lessons
  - 30 students in private lessons
  - estimated profit of $58K
- Summer Camp enrollment is currently at 56 students
- Admissions for 2025-2026 School Enrollment
  - TeSA accepted 51 students and has 38 open spots
    - Kindergarten - 22 open spots
    - 2nd grade - 5 open spots
    - 3rd grade - 2 open spots
    - 4th grade - 6 open spots
    - 5th grade - 3 open spots
  - FWAFA accepted 89 students and has 23 open spots with 71 students on the waitlist
    - 3rd grade - 13 open spots
    - 4th grade - 10 open spots
- Arts Fort Worth Annual Summit is March 29, 2025
  - Dr. Perkins serving as a panelist
  - In exchange, they are providing TCA+A with a vendor table where we will be advertising the schools, summer camps, and conservatories
- Shout out and thanks to Krista Langford for her hard work on Conservatories, Summer Camps, and 2025-2026 school Admissions
- 2025 Annual Campaign raised $25, 973.15
  - thanks to Torie Skinner for her work on this annual event
  - According to Texas Public Charter Schools Association, the North Texas area is one of the hardest areas to get donations/contributions

- SGT just returned from it's Great Smokies Tour to Arkadelphia, Memphis, Nashville, Pigeon Forge, and Atlanta
    - thanks to Mr. Hill and all the staff who chaperoned the trip
- April and May are FULL of performances
    - don't miss out on a chance to attend
    - Dr. Perkins sending a list to board members with dates

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 8:22 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Leslie Scott

B. CERTIFICATE AS TO POSTING OR GIVING OF NOTICE