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Texas Center for Arts + Academics

Minutes

TCA+A Board Meeting - Audit Presentation

Date and Time
Tuesday January 20, 2026 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, John Bolser, Leslie Scott (remote), Michael Wellbaum, Steven Jones, Wes Poole (remote)

Directors Absent
Myong Chong

Ex Officio Members Present
Anika Perkins

Guests Present

Amber Ledbetter, Amy Prickett, Flor Cabrera, Jocelyn Greenman, Kiera Wallace, Krista Langford, Lacey Gaymon, Ross Mitchell, Ted Neeb, Torie Skinner, Wesley Esparragoza

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I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

Cheryl Bean called a meeting of the board of directors of Texas Center for Arts + Academics to order on Tuesday Jan 20, 2026 at 6:12 PM.

B. Record Attendance and Guests

II. Public Comments

A. Public Comments

- Public comments were made by:
  - Vrai Washington
  - Bailey Howell

III. Recognition

A. TeSA Recognition

Ms. Wallace recognized the following students for their dedication and service:

- Zahria Butler (4th grade)
- Olivia Teixeira (2nd grade)
- Roman Rector (5th grade)
- Grace Gatica (2nd grade)

B. FWAFA Recognition

Ms. Ledbetter recognized December teachers of the month:

- Jacob Zamora
- Mandy Warren

C. TCA+A Recognition

Dr. Perkins recognized board members for January appreciation month:

- Cheryl Bean
- Steven Jones
- Leslie Scott
- John Bolser
- Myong Chong

- Wes Poole
- Michael Wellbaum

IV. Audit Presentation

A. Presentation of the FY2025 Audit

Michael Wellbaum made a motion to approve the FY2025 audit.
John Bolser seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Michael Wellbaum	Aye
Steven Jones	Aye
Leslie Scott	Aye
Cheryl Bean	Aye
Myong Chong	Absent
Wes Poole	Aye
John Bolser	Aye

V. Closed Session

A. Convene to Closed Session

- Closed open session at 7:01 pm
- Opened closed session at 7:05 pm

B. Reconvene to Open Session

- Closed closed session at 8:59 pm
- Opened open session at 9:05 pm

C. Action Item

- No action taken

VI. Consent Agenda

A. Approve November 17, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Steven Jones made a motion to approve the minutes from TCA+A Board Meeting on 11-17-25.
Michael Wellbaum seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Steven Jones	Aye
Cheryl Bean	Aye

Roll Call	
Michael Wellbaum	Aye
Leslie Scott	Aye
Wes Poole	Aye
Myong Chong	Absent
John Bolser	Aye

B. Finance Statements

Steven Jones made a motion to approve the November and December 2025 finance statements.
Michael Wellbaum seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
Wes Poole	Aye
Steven Jones	Aye
Cheryl Bean	Aye
John Bolser	Aye
Michael Wellbaum	Aye
Leslie Scott	Aye
Myong Chong	Absent

VII. Finance

A. Merit Increase for CEO/Superintendent FY2026

Michael Wellbaum made a motion to approve merit increase for CEO/Superintendent FY2026.
Steven Jones seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
John Bolser	Aye
Myong Chong	Absent
Michael Wellbaum	Aye
Leslie Scott	Aye
Steven Jones	Aye
Cheryl Bean	Aye
Wes Poole	Aye

VIII. Academics

A. School Health Advisory Council (SHAC)

Michael Wellbaum made a motion to approve the school health advisory council (SHAC).
John Bolser seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Myong Chong	Absent
Cheryl Bean	Aye
Steven Jones	Aye
Wes Poole	Aye
John Bolser	Aye
Michael Wellbaum	Aye
Leslie Scott	Aye

IX. CEO Report

A. Updates

- Sid Richardson Grant - fix FWAFA's roof
- McMaster-Carr Company Donation - annual campaign
- Lilly Youth and Arts Foundation Donation - to help negative lunch accounts at both schools
- Facility Assessment Updates
- US News & World Report National Rankings - FWAFA Secondary
- Fall After-School Conservatory Updates
- 2026 Gala - March 28, 2026 Reflections: A Legacy in the Making
- Winter TEA mandated joint Safety and Security Committee meeting
- 2026-2027 Open enrollment - January 12, 2026 - February 10, 2026

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 9:12 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cheryl Bean

B. CERTIFICATE AS TO POSTING OR GIVING OF NOTICE