



Texas Center for Arts + Academics

Minutes

TCA+A Board Meeting - Special Session

Date and Time

Monday October 20, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Location

Texas School of the Arts
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, Leslie Scott, Michael Wellbaum, Myong Chong, Wes Poole (remote)

Directors Absent

Steven Jones

Ex Officio Members Present

Anika Perkins

Non Voting Members Present

Anika Perkins

Guests Present

Adrian Sovik, Amber Ledbetter, Amy Prickett, Flor Cabrera, Kiera Wallace, Krista Langford, Lacey Gaymon, Penny Clay, Ross Mitchell, Torie Skinner

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 Monday Oct 20, 2025 at 6:17 PM.

B. Record Attendance and Guests

II. Public Comments

A. Public Comments

Seven Public Comments were made regarding agenda topics:

1. Tom Creedon
2. Adrian Sovik
3. Tricia Baumann
4. Amy Cowger
5. Callie Moore-Riley
6. Stephanie Ballew
7. Elena Bredehoeft

III. Closed Session

A. Convene to Closed Session

- Closed Open Session at 6:45pm
- Opened in Closed Session at 6:45pm

B. Reconvene to Open Session

- Closed Closed Session at 7:45pm
- Reconvened Open Session at 7:50pm

C. Action Item

- No action taken

IV. Informal Hearing 10/8/2025

A.

Answers to Questions Raised

Mrs. Bean (Board Chair) thanked audience for sharing, letting them know their thoughts really matter to the Board.

Mr. Wellbaum (Board Member) spoke regarding the nature of the presence of the Schools' attorney at meetings:

- there to ensure the Board is in compliance with Open Records and Open Meetings' rules
- there to ensure the Board is following the rules and laws

Mrs. Bean explained that Mr. Mitchell (the Schools' attorney) would read the questions gathered from the October 8th meeting and the ones he collected during tonight's Public Comments and either Mrs. Bean or Dr. Perkins would answer them.

A question-and-answer discussion followed.

No action or vote was taken on any item.

V. Parent Concerns

A. New Committee - Speaker Selection & Approval Process

- Addressed during Item IV

B. 10 Commandment Posters

- Addressed during Item IV

C. TBC Performances

- Addressed during Item IV

D. Direct Interaction with Board

- Addressed during Item IV

VI. 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 8:16 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl Bean

B. CERTIFICATE AS TO POSTING OR GIVING OF NOTICE