

Tulsa School of Arts And Sciences

Minutes

Board of Trustees Special Board Meeting — October 21st

Rescheduled October 14th Regular Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday October 21, 2025 at 5:30 PM

Location

Tulsa School of Arts and Sciences 1202 W. Easton St. Tulsa, OK 74127

Commons

Trustees Present

A. Braggs, C. Moore, M. Peercy, T. Powell

Trustees Absent

A. Hudson, E. Mortimer, W. Wortham

Ex Officio Members Present

A. Dumas, L. Smith

Non Voting Members Present

A. Dumas, L. Smith

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

C. Moore called a meeting of the board of trustees of Tulsa School of Arts And Sciences to order on Tuesday Oct 21, 2025 at 5:35 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

A. Braggs made a motion to approve the minutes from Board of Trustees Regular Board Meeting - Septmeber 9, 2025 on 09-09-25.

M. Peercy seconded the motion.

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

II. School Leadership Reports

A. Head of School's Report

Dr. Smith gave a report on the state of the kitchen. The Tulsa Health Department has reinspected and approved our kitchen repairs as of Oct. 20th and have said they will not require any future work on the ceiling. The board previously approved a total budget of \$30,000 for those repairs and the total expense was \$26,709. TPS has mentioned that we may be eligible for some rebates for the LED lighting which was installed in both the kitchen and the service line, and we will be following up with with them to inquire about the application for the rebates. Oppa! is in the process of their grand opening. October and November are the months of all major reporting and so far, all of our due dates have been met. There has been statewide difficulty with the student information system, but Adriana Lopez has been working with the state department for 21 days trying to get our numbers to match theirs. In terms of the state leadership change, Dan and I have been encouraged by the communication from the state department superintendent, Lyndell Fields. October 3rd was our Day of Service where around 300 high school students were sent to 20 different sites to complete service projects. The day was meaningful, well organized and overall an important experience for the students and teachers. October 9th was FAFSA night at TSAS. Parents and students came to the school to fill out their FAFSA applications. Sophomores took the PSAT and there have been a few small visits to local colleges. Tomorrow, October 22nd, is Senior Application Day. We will have every senior at TSAS fill out college applications to at least one university. John Turner is launching our Native American Students Club and Tutoring. This week is Spirit Week at TSAS, and we will have our Fall Festival this Friday, October 24th and, due to the rain, it will be inside this year. Session 1 ends on November 7th and the next session will begin on November 11th.

B. Principal's Report

Dr. Hahn reports on working with teachers on evidence-based literacy strategies and tools learned at the Summer Symposium. We are holding Professional Learning

Communities meetings. These PLCs are faculty groups in order to get teachers together to talk about their work using data to drive literacy-based strategies. There are a couple of months when we don't have a faculty meeting and teachers are requesting to meet, hence forming PLCs. The grants we were able to secure will be able to pay teachers extra for that time. Our first PLC is on October 22 after school. We will be discussing the tiers of data: Map testing, classroom level data, student behavior, and OK state testing from last year. We just got data from last year's state testing and there is some strong bounce back from post-COVID years. ELA is a core strength along with US History. Math is an area where intervention is needed and that is the case across the board. There were some staffing difficulties at the math level, but we are working to improve results going forward. Science results are holding steady and there's been a high participation score for all testing in general.

C. Friends of TSAS Report

Dr. Smith announces the first fundraiser, Trivia Night, is on October 14th. Registration is still open. There is organizational health and broad development within the group. They are currently revising their bylaws, and they will be discussing them next week at their next meeting. There was a financial report at the last meeting. The TSAS FAE has about \$75,000 in their checking account and another \$50,000 in the Tulsa Community Foundation. Right now, Scott Grizzle is functioning as both President and Treasurer. The foundation will appoint more officers after updating the bylaws.

III. Finance and Budget

A. September 2025 Financials

Jesse Stallings reports an estimated 2026 carryover of \$156,005.46.

B. Approval of General Fund Purchase Orders, #.

- M. Peercy made a motion to approve the general fund purchase orders.
- T. Powell seconded the motion.

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

C. Approval of Activity Fund Purchase Orders, #.

- M. Peercy made a motion to approve the activity fund purchase orders.
- T. Powell seconded the motion.

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

D. Discussion, consideration, and vote to approve or not approve transferring \$400.11 from the "Basketball - Recreational" Activity Fund #842 to Activity Fund #836 "Basketball".

M. Peercy made a motion to approve transferring \$400.11 from the "Basketball - Recreational" Activity Fund #842 to Activity Fund #836 "Basketball". This transfer of funds will close AF #842 "Basketball - Recreational".

T. Powell seconded the motion.

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

IV. Accountability Reporting & Infrastructure Reporting

A. Discussion, consideration and vote to approve School Reports.

Dr. Smith presented the (1) Career Tech Course Credit (2) Annual Student Remediation Report (3) Annual 7-12 Drop Out Report (4) District Capacity Report Summary (5) School Days to Hours Calendar Summary.

- M. Peercy made a motion to approve the School Reports.
- T. Powell seconded the motion.

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

B. Presentation and discussion of TSAS technology updates and modifications.

Mr. Stallings discussed the technology updates that have taken place due to our data backup being out of date. He reports that we used to pay \$40,000 for that service, but this year it has been about \$20,000. Erate has awarded TSAS \$100,000 in grants, of which we will only be responsible to pay 20%.

V. Policy and Governance

A. Discussion on adding a board policy for Faculty and Student Council Representation to participate as ex officio, non-voting members of the TSAS Board of Trustees.

A quick discussion took place, but will continue at the next board meeting.

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 7:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

C. Moore

Documents used during the meeting

October 21, 2025 Tulsa Schools of Arts & Sciences - Special Meeting Agenda.pdf

- 2025 09 09 board meeting minutes.pdf
- TSAS Sept 2025 10.13.25.pdf
- Credit Card Summary Oct 2025.pdf
- October 21, 2025 Board Meeting Reporting.pdf
- TSAS Board Policy Proposal_ Faculty Council Representation.pdf
- TSAS Board Policy Proposal_ Student Council Representation.pdf

The TSAS Board of Trustees Agenda for October 21, 2025 will be posted on Friday, October 17, 2025 by 3:00 p.m.

Prepared by: Dr. Liesa Smith, Head of School.

TSAS is an independent public charter school in which every student is welcomed as they are, known and valued for who they are, challenged to become a better version of themselves, encouraged in their efforts to become that person, and celebrated for their successes.