APPROVED

Tulsa School of Arts And Sciences

Minutes

BOT Regular Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday January 13, 2026 at 5:30 PM

Location
1202 W. Easton St. Tulsa, OK 74127
TSAS Commons, 2nd Floor

Trustees Present
A. Braggs, C. Moore, E. Mortimer, M. Peercy, T. Powell, W. Wortham

Trustees Absent
A. Hudson

Ex Officio Members Present
A. Dumas, L. Smith

I. Opening Items

A. Record attendance and establisment of a quorum

B. Call the Meeting to Order

E. Mortimer called a meeting of the board of trustees of Tulsa School of Arts And Sciences to order on Tuesday Jan 13, 2026 at 5:36 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

E. Mortimer made a motion to approve the minutes from Board of Trustees Regular Board Meeting - December 9, 2025 on 12-09-25.
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, we are in the middle of the year, and we are leaning into the preliminary work for next year. Daniel Sharples has begun recruiting for next year. Yesterday was the first day that the enrollment portal opened and so far we've had 189 people apply and select TSAS as one of their 6 choices, with about 57 students selecting TSAS as their first choice. The window will be open for about a month, and we expect to notify families towards the end of March. We held an open house last Thursday, and we had around 50–65 families to attend. WIDA testing is approaching in early spring along with more spring assessments. Advanced planning for next year is also underway. Shaniece Randle and Jesse Stallings are working with the high school faculty to develop courses and class schedules for the 2026–2027 school year. Jesse and I are also budget forecasting for next year, and aligning our forecasting with the hopeful purchase of the building this spring. Our financial audit is scheduled for January 27th. On Feb 4th, three board members will join me to attend a planning meeting to continue discussing next steps in the building purchase.

B. Principal's Report

Dr. Hahn spoke about the testing that will take place in the spring. January 29th is our next Professional Learning Communities (PLC) meeting. This meeting will be 4 hours during our PD day and we will discuss MAP data. Peer-to-peer observations are still going on, and we have received positive responses from teachers. Parent/Teacher conferences will be held on January 30th. The first week of February, Dr. Hahn, Daniel Sharples, two counselors and 4 teachers from middle and high school will attend a 4-day conference in D.C. with help from the OPSRC, we will be staying an extra day to visit schools with similar demographics to TSAS. We are starting to identify and work with some granting entities to get funding for our Summer Symposium.

C. Friends of TSAS Report

Daniel Sharples announced all the Friends of TSAS leadership positions have been filled. Ryan Starkweather is the President, Megan Radford is the Vice President and Johan is the Treasurer. Scott Grizzle will still assist the Friends of TSAS. On January 27th at 5:30p here in the Commons, the Friends of TSAS will hold a foundation meeting to discuss the utilization of funds for student projects. Brianna Brown, the Student Counsel Coordinator, and the students will be pitching some ideas at that meeting and all are welcome to attend. The Friends of TSAS will send mailers this spring to solicit donations

and there is an ongoing discussion about hosting a Bingo Night, though at the moment the details are TBA.

III. Guest Presentation

A. Opaa! presentation by Tiffany Gosvener, Opaa! Director of Nutrition Services

Dr. Smith announced Mrs. Gosvener is out ill and will present at the next meeting.

IV. Finance and Budget

A. December 2025 Financials

Mr. Stallings gave a report on TSAS's ability to remain financially stable. He also noted that both student and adult meal purchases have increased.

B. Approval of General Fund Purchase Order, # 124-128.

M. Peercy made a motion to approve the General Fund purchase orders #124-128.
T. Powell seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. Approval of Activity Fund Purchase Orders, #28.

M. Peercy made a motion to approve Activity Fund Purchase Orders #28.
T. Powell seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

D. Discussion, consideration, and vote to approve or not approve the Literacy Data Coordinator stipend of $7,000 for Shannon Barry to be paid from the Summer Symposium grant.

A. Braggs made a motion to approve the Literacy Data Coordinator stipend of $7,000 for Shannon Barry to be paid from the Summer Symposium grant.
W. Wortham seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

E. Discussion, consideration, and vote to approve or not approve the Classroom Evidence Coordinator stipend of $7,000 for MacKenzie Lance to be paid from the Summer Symposium grant.

A. Braggs made a motion to approve the Classroom Evidence Coordinator stipend of $7,000 for MacKenzie Lance to be paid from the Summer Symposium grant.
W. Wortham seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

V. Governance

A.

Discussion, consideration, and vote to approve or not approve signing the TSAS BOT bylaws established in 2015.

M. Peercy made a motion to approve signing the TSAS BOT bylaws established in 2015.
C. Moore seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Preparations and planning for the review and evaluation of the Head of School, Dr. Liesa Smith.

The evaluation process for Dr. Smith was discussed.

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 6:32 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
A. Dumas

Documents used during the meeting

- January 13, 2026 Tulsa Schools of Arts & Science - Agenda.pdf
- 2025_12_09_board_meeting_minutes.pdf
- 2026 Meeting Schedules - Tulsa School of Arts and Science.pdf
- TSAS Dec 2025 1.6.26.pdf
- TSASBudgetFullyUpdated.pdf
- tsas december POs.pdf
- TSAS BYLAWS - BOT.pdf

The TSAS Board of Trustees Agenda for December9, 2025 will be posted on Friday, January 9, 2026 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.