

APPROVED



Tulsa School of Arts And Sciences

Minutes

BOT Regular Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday March 10, 2026 at 5:30 PM

Location

1202 W. Easton St. Tulsa, OK 74127

TSAS Commons, 2nd Floor

Trustees Present

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

Trustees Absent

A. Hudson, E. Mortimer

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 Mar 10, 2026 at 5:38 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

M. Peercy made a motion to approve the minutes from BOT Special Meeting on 03-03-26.

T. Powell seconded the motion.

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

II. Financial Audit Presentation

A. Presentation and discussion of the 2024-2025 financial audit by Bledsoe, Hewett & Gullekson, CPAs, PLLLC.

Shane Murphy, a CPA with Bledsoe, Hewett & Gullekson gave a quick overview of the financial audit administered February 12, 2026. Reports of pages 5-7, 8-9, and 11, there is nothing worth noting. Page 14 shows we brought in \$134,000 more than we expended. Page 15, the special revenue funds, shows we expended \$0 and brought in \$80,000. Shane reports only one finding was identified for the Child Nutrition Program. There was a discrepancy with the previous food vendors reporting meals served compared to the claims submitted. There is already a plan in place and TSAS is currently using a different vendor, which is wonderful. This is the only recommendation made because our systems are so clean. The auditor said that he appreciated Ashanti having everything out, organized and ready for them when they arrived.

III. Reports

A. Head of School's Report

Dr. Smith reports on sharing broad communication with the TSAS community about the hopeful purchase of the building on March 6, 2026. Press releases about the building purchases for all the Tulsa charters were shared today. Last Friday we had a large branch fall in the front of the building which was immediately followed by professional trimming of 4 trees. There are two trees that are damaged and have a fungal infection that will also need to come down. We are working to have them removed soon. Because this is a priority school safety concern we will use our school resource officer funds for those services. Spring break will start next week, March 16th-20th, and we have an architectural tour on Saturday, March 14th.

B. Principal's Report

Dr. Hahn starts the Principal's report by noting our big instructional push is on data while keeping in mind not to overload teachers. We recently met with some companies to discuss the popular topic of dashboards. These companies pull multiple sorts of data into a place where a teacher, counselor, or administrator can access all information on one slide. The companies were too expensive for us, but Jesse Stallings has created some

things that have helped us get pretty close to the product the companies are selling. We rolled out beta testing for teachers on our last PLC day and received a lot of positive feedback. We are zeroing in on MAP data. MAP is a product of a larger company that measures student's academic progress and this data gives us a good picture of how the school is doing as a whole. There is nothing that says we are in bad shape. We have strong data for 7th and 8th grade, 56th and 60th percentile in the country. Math and reading are low in grade 6 at TSAS as well as across the country and growth is in the 29th percentile. We also have a high concentration of students receiving special services in 6th grade, and we are currently discussing resources to better assist them. High school is strong. 10th grade is in the 63rd percentile, 11th grade is the 59th percentile and one thing that comes out of the data is that growth data rises the longer a student is attending TSAS, which is ideal. At the moment, 11th grade is in the 84th percentile in both math and reading performance data. Middle school math is our biggest academic concern right now. Reading growth is a slight achievement, and we expect to have really strong growth over time. We are doing well in terms of student percentages that we test.

C. Friends of TSAS Report

Daniel Sharples reports the Friends of TSAS are still active in recruiting board members. There are a couple of prospects that might need board approval here shortly. On April 18th, Friends of TSAS will hold Bingo Night here. The Tulsa Foundation for Architecture will be co-hosting Roosevelt Revisited at TSAS, Saturday from 9:30a -11:30a. All TSAS admin will be presenters as well. Senior graduation will be held at TU on May 29, 2026, at 7:00p.

IV. Finance

A. February Financials

Jesse Stallings briefly talked about the finance report. He stated the percentages on the handout are higher due to coding issues. We are working to clarify them. We are on track to have a carryover of \$138,000. Our SRO funds are expiring, and he is working to update our security infrastructure, along with cutting down unsafe trees and other uses like classroom projectors with security features, etc.

B. Approval of General Fund Purchase Orders, #130 - 135.

W. Wortham made a motion to approve General Fund Purchase Orders, #130 - 135.

M. Peercy seconded the motion.

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

C. Approval of Activity Fund Purchase Orders, #31 - 38.

W. Wortham made a motion to approve Activity Fund Purchase Orders, #31-38.

M. Peercy seconded the motion.

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

D.

Discussion, consideration and vote to approve or not approve supplemental appropriations for 2025-2026.

T. Powell made a motion to approve supplemental appropriations for 2025-2026.

M. Peercy seconded the motion.

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

V. Governance & Oversight

A. Discussion, consideration and vote to approve or not approve the contract with Bledsoe, Hewett & Gullekson, CPAs, PLLLP for the financial audit of school year 2025-2026

W. Wortham made a motion to approve the contract with Bledsoe, Hewett & Gullekson, CPAs, PLLLP for the financial audit of school year 2025-2026.

T. Powell seconded the motion.

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

B. Discussion, consideration and vote to approve adjustments to the 2025-2026 school calendar due to severe weather.

A. Braggs made a motion to approve adjustments to the 2025-2026 school calendar due to severe weather.

W. Wortham seconded the motion.

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

VI. Executive Session

A. Discussion, consideration and vote to approve or not approve convening into Executive Session as authorized by Title 25 O. S. (2001) Section 307. B 1 and 7

M. Peercy made a motion to approve convening into Executive Session as authorized by Title 25 O. S. (2001) Section 307. B 1 and 7.

T. Powell seconded the motion.

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

B. Executive Session

VII. Reconvene into Open Session

A. Discussion, consideration and vote to approve or not approve reconvening to Open Session.

W. Wortham made a motion to approve reconvening to Open Session.

T. Powell seconded the motion.

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

B.

Discussion, consideration and vote to renew or not renew the Head of School employment contract for Dr. Liesa Smith for school year 2026-2027.

A. Braggs made a motion to renew the Head of School employment contract for Dr. Liesa Smith for school year 2026-2027.

T. Powell seconded the motion.

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

VIII. 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 7:31 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
A. Dumas

Documents used during the meeting

- March 10, 2026 Tulsa School of Arts and Sciences - Agenda.pdf
- Tulsa School of Arts & Sciences Mgmt Ltr.pdf
- Tulsa School of Arts & Sciences 2025 Audit S.pdf
- TSAS SAS 114 Ltr.pdf
- TSAS Feb 2026 3.3.26.pdf
- GF feb 2026.pdf
- AF feb 2026.pdf
- TSAS FORM 307 2.6.26.pdf
- Tulsa School of Arts & Sciences FY26 Audit Engagement Lett.pdf
- Edited Snow Calendar 2025-26 - Google Sheets.pdf
- Days to Hours Worksheet Daily.2026TSAS.pdf

The TSAS Board of Trustees Agenda for March 10, 2026 will be posted on Friday, March 6, 2026 by 3:00 p.m.

Prepared by: Ashanti Dumas, Minutes Clerk.

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.