APPROVED

Tulsa School of Arts And Sciences

Minutes

BOT Regular Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday May 12, 2026 at 5:30 PM

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

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

Trustees Absent
A. Braggs

Ex Officio 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 May 12, 2026 at 5:36 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

T. Powell made a motion to approve the minutes from BOT Regular Meeting on 04-14-26.
C. Moore seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

E. Mortimer	Absent
C. Moore	Aye
M. Peercy	Aye
W. Wortham	Aye
A. Braggs	Absent
T. Powell	Aye
A. Hudson	Aye

II. Reports

A. Head of School's Report

Dr. Smith gave a quick report stating our final accreditation review appointment was last week and TSAS was accredited without deficiencies. Thanks to Cathy Denton, Steven Okapal and Shaniece Randle for their work on components of the accreditation process. The Capstone Showcase was a success thanks to Jennifer Lamkin. STEAM Night was also a success thanks to Ashley Allen-White and, lastly, thanks to John Turner who led our first ever Indian Education Family Night. TPS has delivered our water pump, sent out a welder, has a bid with funding available, and they will schedule a date for installation. We are continuing the next steps to closing on the purchase of the building, and we are anticipating mid to late June. TPS has hopes of finalizing the building sale by June 30th. Jesse and I met with our main contractor last week and another subcontractor this past Saturday for him to complete an environmental inspection. He checked the chemical storage as well. I have been working on realigning our SPED program, planning for how we can better serve students as we transition from 6th grade into high school. I met with a philanthropy partner who is interested in providing a financial bridge grant to support us during the building purchase transition. More information to be presented when we learn more.

B. Principal's Report

Dr. Smith read the Principal's Report for Dr. Hahn who was not in attendance. She reads: We have successfully completed state testing, and we thank Nicole Alterici for her leadership and keeping everything steady and focused. We're continuing to check off major end-of-year events while maintaining strong instruction. This time of year, we are balancing performances, showcases, trips and celebrations, always with academics in mind. Staff continue to hold high expectations and meaningful instruction. Capstone highlighted months of student work and reflected TSAS values of learning. Classrooms remain focused, relationships remain strong, and staff continue to push students academically while supporting them through the end-of-year stretch. We are also identifying several areas where additional resources, systems and strategies will be

important moving forward, such as academic dishonesty, chronic absenteeism/ tardiness, and navigating accommodation documentation while still maintaining high standards. Thankfully, we already see promising opportunities for improvement in systems, communication, interventions, and staff support moving forward.

C. Friends of TSAS Report

Daniel Sharples — There will be some collaboration next week between the FOT President, Ryan, Aunj and me to discuss community engagement. FOT is going to support the Speech and Debate Team in paying for some of their tournament expenses and hotel fees. They are also looking to aid in the financial support of the Summer Symposium. This summer we will be working to create some subcommittees for the strategic goals for next year. TSAS is hosting Spring Fest on Saturday, May 16th, from 6p-8p. There will be games, academic showcases, street tacos and coffee provided by Origin.

III. Finance

A. April Financials

B. Approval of General Fund Purchase Orders, #.

W. Wortham made a motion to approve general purchase orders #142-150.
C. Moore seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

W. Wortham	Aye
E. Mortimer	Absent
T. Powell	Aye
C. Moore	Aye
A. Hudson	Aye
A. Braggs	Absent
M. Peercy	Aye

C. Approval of Activity Fund Purchase Orders, #.

W. Wortham made a motion to approve activity fund purchase orders #47-55.
T. Powell seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

M. Peercy	Aye
E. Mortimer	Absent
C. Moore	Aye
W. Wortham	Aye
A. Braggs	Absent
A. Hudson	Aye

Roll Call

T. Powell Aye

D. Discussion and consideration of expenditure plan of School Resources Officer fund balance by the state-imposed deadline, June 30, 2026.

Jesse Stallings reviewed the planned expenditures of SRO funds, to include correcting coding for expenditures of cameras, visitor badges, hazardous tree trimming, fencing, and has also arranged for new purchases through a contract with a local company, Digi Systems, to purchase new cameras, a secure camera server, and other necessary security infrastructure to replace and expand the items to be removed or disabled at the sale of the building. The images from the cameras will protect students' privacy and they will never leave the premises. The server that we are purchasing is expensive, but we will be saving by not paying a monthly subscription fee. There are some AI capabilities providing faster recall, making it easier for individual tracking. The Amazon purchase of $4,700 is for an additional computer to help provide security backup. Howard technology is going to replace the projectors at a low price. The projectors have the capability to do a remote, silent mass notification with messaging in case of an emergency. Lighthouse Technology will be installing the equipment. All of these purchases are considered safety and security purchases. I anticipate more SRO funds to come next year. With the new technology, Dr. Smith, Jesse and Dr. Hahn will receive notification of intruders as we replace our TPS systems.

E. Discussion, consideration and vote to approve the 2026-2027 proposed budget.

E. Mortimer made a motion to approve the 2026-2027 proposed budget.
C. Moore seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

IV. Governance & Oversight

A. Discussion, consideration and vote to approve the 2026-2027 proposed school calendar.

T. Powell made a motion to approve the 2026-2027 proposed school calendar.
M. Peercy seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Discussion, consideration and vote to approve 2026-2027 graduation requirement changes in alignment with legislation.

Motion tabled for the June board meeting.

C. Discussion, consideration and vote to authorize or not authorize the execution of a lease agreement with Tulsa Facilities, LLC.

T. Powell made a motion to authorize the execution of a lease agreement with Tulsa Facilities, LLC.
M. Peercy seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

D. Discussion, consideration and vote to approve TSAS Speech and Debate team to travel by TSAS van out of state to Richmond, Virginia to attend the National Speech and Debate Tournament, June 12-21, 2026.

T. Powell made a motion to approve the TSAS Speech and Debate team to travel by TSAS van out of state to Richmond, Virginia to attend the National Speech and Debate Tournament, June 12–21, 2026.
M. Peercy seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

E. Discussion, consideration and vote to approve or not approve the membership renewal with OSSBA for school year 2026-2027.

E. Mortimer made a motion to approve the membership renewal with OSSBA for school year 2026-2027.
A. Hudson seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

F. Discussion, consideration and vote to approve or not approve the subscription renewal for Horizon for school year 2026-2027.

E. Mortimer made a motion to approve the subscription renewal for Horizon for school year 2026-2027.
A. Hudson seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

G. Discussion, consideration and vote to approve or not approve the contract renewal with Sylogist/Wengage for school year 2026-2027.

E. Mortimer made a motion to approve the contract renewal with Sylogist/Wengage for school year 2026-2027.
A. Hudson seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

H. Discussion, consideration and vote to approve or not approve the contract renewal with Amplify for school year 2026-2027.

E. Mortimer made a motion to approve the contract renewal with Amplify for school year 2026-2027.
A. Hudson seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

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Discussion, consideration and vote to approve or not approve the engagement renewal with Hickman Law Group for school year 2026-2027.

E. Mortimer made a motion to approve the engagement renewal with Hickman Law Group for school year 2026-2027.
A. Hudson seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

J. Discussion, consideration and vote to approve or not approve the contract renewal with H & E Landscape LLC for school year 2026-2027.

E. Mortimer made a motion to approve the contract renewal with H & E Landscape LLC for school year 2026-2027.
A. Hudson seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

K. Discussion, consideration and vote to approve or not approve the contract renewal with Kunz Janitorial for school year 2026-2027.

E. Mortimer made a motion to approve the contract renewal with Kunz Janitorial for school year 2026-2027.
A. Hudson seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

L. Discussion, consideration and vote to approve or not approve the contract extension with E-Rate.

E. Mortimer made a motion to approve the contract extension with E-Rate.
A. Hudson seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

M. Discussion, consideration and vote to approve or not approve a new contract with Lighthouse for fire monitoring services for school year 2026-2027.

E. Mortimer made a motion to approve a new contract with Lighthouse for fire monitoring services for school year 2026-2027.
A. Hudson seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

V. 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

T. Powell made a motion to approve convening into Executive Session as authorized by Title 25 O. S. (2001) Section 307. B 1 and 7.
W. Wortham seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Executive Session

VI. Reconvene into Open Session

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

T. Powell made a motion to approve reconvening to Open Session.
M. Peercy seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Discussion, consideration and vote to renew or not renew the recommended employment contracts for the TSAS faculty and staff for school year 2026-2027.

T. Powell made a motion to renew the recommended employment contracts for the TSAS faculty and staff for school year 2026-2027.
E. Mortimer seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. Discussion, consideration and vote to approve or not approve Robert Babcock to teach 7th Grade Geography.

T. Powell made a motion to approve Robert Babcock to teach 7th Grade Geography.
E. Mortimer seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

D. Discussion, consideration and vote to approve or not approve Alexander Graham to teach HS Mathematics.

T. Powell made a motion to approve Alexander Graham to teach HS Mathematics.
E. Mortimer seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

E. Discussion and consideration of recommendation to hire Erin Ackley to serve as Special Education Compliance Coordinator and HS Special Education Teacher.

T. Powell made a motion to hire Erin Ackley to serve as Special Education Compliance Coordinator and HS Special Education Teacher.
E. Mortimer seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VII. New Business

A. In accordance with Oklahoma Statutes Title 5 § 311 (A) (9)

Following the submission of the board's agenda on Friday, May 8, 2026, just before 5:00pm, Governor Stitt signed the revised salary scale bill. The new legislation

authorizes a $2,000 increase to every step in the State Minimum Teacher Pay Scale and requires corresponding increases and a revision to the TSAS Pay Scale. Presenting the new TSAS pay scale to the board for their consideration and vote is a priority matter, aligned with the proposed 2026-2027 budget, staff contract renewals, and hiring of new faculty members.

Discussion, consideration and vote to approve or not approve the revised TSAS Teacher Pay Scale for 206-2027 in accordance with new legislation, contingent upon Oklahoma State Department of Education funding confirmation and increased allocations to TSAS.
T. Powell made a motion to approve the revised TSAS Teacher Pay Scale for 206-2027 in accordance with new legislation, contingent upon Oklahoma State Department of Education funding confirmation and increased allocations to TSAS.
M. Peercy 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 7:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
A. Dumas

Documents used during the meeting

- May 12, 2026 Tulsa School of Arts & Sciences - Agenda.pdf
- 2026_04_14_board_meeting_minutes.pdf
- TSAS April 2026 5.4.26.pdf
- TSAS R&E Report.pdf
- TSAS_20APRIL_20ENCUMBRANCES.pdf
- April 2025 Credit Card Register.pdf
- TSAS_20APRIL_20ENCUMBRANCES.pdf
- SRO Fund Expentitures.pdf
- TSAS FY2027 Proposed Budget.pdf
- DRAFT Calendar 2026-2027.pdf
- Tulsa-Lease closing checklist.docx
- Horizon _Consortium_Agreement.pdf
- Tulsa School of Arts-Sciences - 2026-2027 Acct - Original.pdf

- Amplify Contract SY26.pdf
- 2026-27 - Engagement Ltr btw HLG & TSAS.pdf
- 232051 - Tulsa School of Arts & Sciences - OK - CA 2026-28 - signed.pdf
- Fire_Alarm_All_in_One_SalesMonitoringInspectionService.pdf
- Robert Babcock Resume.docx
- Alexander Graham Resume.pdf
- Erin Ackley Resume.docx

The TSAS Board of Trustees Agenda for May 12, 2026 will be posted on Friday, May 8, 2026 by 3:00 p.m.

Prepared by: Ashanti Dumas, Minutes Clerk.

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