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Tulsa School of Arts And Sciences

Minutes

BOT Regular Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday November 10, 2026 at 5:30 PM

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

Trustees Present
A. Maner, C. Moore, M. Peercy, T. Powell, W. Wortham

Trustees Absent
A. Braggs, E. Mortimer

Ex Officio Members Present
A. Dumas, L. Smith

Guests Present
D. Hahn, J. Stallings, Shannon Barry

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 Nov 10, 2026 at 5:32 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

M. Peercy made a motion to approve the minutes from BOT Regular Meeting on 10-13-26.
A. Maner seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Reports

A. Head of School's Report

Dr. Smith highlights a few projects. All the October reporting has come to an end except for the Special Education Student Count. The final four of the 33 students did not roll over from EdPlan,. We are working with the state to solve this issue. A huge shout-out to the SPED Department, as they entered all the students in the system within 24 hours following the first roll-over effort. We have been in calls with the state, and they have advised us to keep that report open beyond the due date. We are hopeful that the final roll over will happen this week so that everything is wrapped up. An update on the preliminary research on the new authorizer.

This Friday, Jesse, Daniel and I will go meet with the representatives at OSU Tulsa for our very first inquiry conversation. I met with Jason Brown, the executive director at Harding Fine Art in OKC at the charter conference this past week. For the last 6 years, they have been authorized by USAO, and he connected me with their charter contact. I have emailed him for an introductory conversation and I have yet to hear back from him. I also emailed TU a little over a week ago and have not heard back from them either. I will meet with THA next week to go over their authorizer exploration process and transition process. THA pursued the statewide charter board and we will research to determine if we would like to meet with them as well.

Last week, four of the TSAS leadership team went to tour Kiefer Public Schools upper elementary, which is 100 years old. Our architects designed that project, so we went to tour the completed renovation to get an idea of some of the things we would like to do with the renovation of TSAS. We met with the architects after the tour and had a conversation about our priorities in terms of the values and direction we want to take the project. We have a one-page document of our priorities for the architects and the contractor. Jesse and I are meeting with the architects and our project coordinator on Thursday.

The adult ED research project is at a standstill at the moment, but tomorrow I will meet with Eric Doss about the CSP expansion grant to get some information about the timeline of that process. We have received $67,000 for the research grant in our gift fund. That

grant has monies set aside for long term financial planning, facilities management, academic improvements and some board development. I briefly met with the coordinator of our research grant, and we are expecting to have an onboarding call in the next couple of weeks.

Our Trivia night is scheduled for this Thursday from 6p-9p and everyone is invited to come. It's $40 per person and will be held at the Campbell Hotel.

B. Principal's Report

Dr. Hahn reports the end of the 1st trimester and launch of the second trimester, which is an important time to reset and revisit procedures. We have strong TIBWYH data from the 1st trimester. Average daily attendance is at 91%, and it's the highest it has been in several years and 5% higher than 2024 when the initiative launched and TSAS was put on the needs to improve list. Chronic absenteeism went down from 32% to 21%, and it's the lowest it has been in 5 years. 41% of students who were initially chronically absent have recovered.

Our high school state report card grade has gone up a letter grade this year, as did the MAP testing. MAP testing scores have gone up to over 55% building wide, which is a first for TSAS as we don't normally score above 50%. More than 50% of our students have been above the national median.

We were at the charter school conference last week when there was heavy discussion about the use of AI, and we are also having those discussions at TSAS. We don't have any answers yet, but we are trying to figure out systems and processes to keep up with the rapid growth of AI.

Regarding fentanyl usage, we are adhering to state law and will be training staff and students on the dangers of fentanyl use and symptoms of overdose, mainly focusing on the signs, resources and relief.

Final grades are due this Friday. I am excited about the data empowering students to send progress reports to their parents on a regular basis, and I hope to see an uptick in student grades based on that initiative.

Recruitment season is approaching in January, and we are expecting to see an increase in lottery applications due to the TPS school closures.

C. Faculty Council Report

Shannon Barry introduced herself as the 6th grade English teacher and English Department chair and spoke briefly about the trimester changes. Students are excited about getting new electives. Barry is appreciative of co-teaching with the Middle School SPED Teacher, Kelly Morgan. Kelly Morgan initially started with a direct instruction ELA

class, but has now transitioned to full inclusion, co-teaching with Ms. Barry for one class period. Today was the 1st day of the transition and the students were excited about the collaboration.

It is the 10 year anniversary of the TSAS middle school and a couple of our students designed the graphics on the merch. The merch will be sold at the upcoming events starting with the Gratitude Luncheon next week.

The English department met this week and we discussed chromebooks and AI use. Surprisingly, the English department as a whole was okay with the idea of not being online to teach classes.

D. Friends of TSAS Report

III. Finance

A. October Financials

B. Approval of General Fund Purchase Orders, #96-109.

M. Peercy made a motion to approve general fund purchase orders 96-109.
T. Powell seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. Review of Activity Fund Purchase Orders, #13-16; and Gifts Fund Purchase Order #2.

D. Discussion, consideration and vote to approve or not approve Activity Fund transfers of Fall Festival funds to designated Activity accounts totaling $3,363.

M. Peercy made a motion to approve activity fund transfers of Fall Festival funds to designated activity accounts totaling $3,363.
A. Maner seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

IV. Governance & Oversight

A. Discussion, consideration and vote to approve or not approve the amended charter contract with TPS to include the revised performance framework.

W. Wortham made a motion to approve the amended charter contract with TPS to include the revised performance framework.
T. Powell seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

V. 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 6:26 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
A. Dumas

The TSAS Board of Trustees Agenda for November 10, 2026 will be posted on Friday, November 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.