

Academy of Visual & Performing Arts

Called Board Meeting

Date: March 14, 2025

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: 4200 South Freeway, Suite 1940, Fort Worth, Texas 76115
Conference Room (Front/Cafeteria)

Zoom Link:

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AGENDA:

I. CALL BOARD MEETING TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Board Member	Present	Absent
Sergio Gonzalez, Board Chair		
Tyrone Malone, Board Vice Chair		
Krista Franklin, Board Secretary		
Jon Altchuler, Board Member		
Calab Johnson, Board Member		
Dr. Serge Francois, Board Member		
Kirk Washington, Board Member		

III. PUBLIC COMMENT(S)

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Interim Superintendent Report
- B. Consent Agenda Items*
 - 1. Previous Meeting Minutes
 - 2. Independent Audit & Firms
 - 3. “Good Cause Exemption”

V. CLOSED SESSION

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 - Boxer Property
- Gov't Code 551.073 – Deliberations regarding prospective gifts
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I. CALL BOARD MEETING TO ORDER was called to order by **Tyrone Malone** at 6:42.

II. ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM was called at 6:43.

Board Member	Present	Absent
Sergio Gonzalez, Board Chair	x (late)	
Tyrone Malone, Board Vice Chair	x	
Krista Franklin, Board Secretary	x	
Jon Altschuler, Board Member	x	
Calab Johnson, Board Member	x	
Dr. Serge Francois, Board Member	x	
Kirk Washington, Board Member	x	

III. PUBLIC COMMENT(S) (6:43 PM) There were no public comments online or in-person

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Interim Superintendent Report (6:45 PM):

1. Introduction of New Principal
 - a) Background: 25th year educator
 - (1) Last role Assistant Principal for 5 years
 - (2) Worked with different campuses to improve support systems
 - b) Looking forward to creating new systems at APA
 - c) Has been on the job for 2 weeks.
 - (1) Conducted interviews with Science, Social Studies, Theatre, Math, and ELAR candidates who will work

multiple grade levels. Teachers will be hired after the break.

2. Paraprofessional (Teacher Assistant) have also been hired to assist with substitute teaching, interventions, and services for our Special Education Students.
3. PEIMS Midyear report was resubmitted by the deadline and the 4th Six Weeks Attendance has been submitted and approved by TEA.
4. Last Meeting Update
 - a) There is no amendment needed to remain 6-8. AVPA can add or not add a grade level when and if the decision is made because the charter for 6-12 has already been approved.
5. Student Enrollment was an added item presented by Dr. Franchois. The enrollment is currently at 125. It was 127 when the Superintendent assumed the role February 3. There were 141 students in December-January. At the present time, only applications are being accepted, no new students are being accepted due to time constraints of state testing: STAAR is 10 days from the return from Spring Break.
6. State Testing Preparations: Principal Bread is functioning as the Test Coordinator; he has received his credentials. Teachers have received security training, which ensures all state protocols are followed for both TELPAS and STAAR. STAAR training will occur after Spring Break. 6 students completed TELPAS. Both training sessions are equally important.

B. Consent Agenda Items* (6:53 PM)

1. Previous Meeting Minutes
 - a) Discussion about emails. AVPA emails will be used by all board members.
 - b) No corrections were needed for minutes.
2. Independent Audit & Firms
 - a) Contact was made with 5/6 firms recommended.. % were not take new clients; however one firm recommended a firm that did work with Charter Schools. That firm was contacted.
 - (1) Pricing for the first firm: 10,000 and up; the other 2 firms want documents before deciding.
 - (a) Caleb will work with Susp. Natalie Texada to vet the two firms asking for documents because he is not used to firms reviewing documents before being hired.
 - (i) TEA is aware AVPA has not completed the audit. Time to complete can extend to the

summer. Sup. Texada will give financial contact with TEA to Caleb by email..

(2) "Good Cause Exemption": House Bill 3: School Board will determine an appropriate amount of armed security officers for each school campus. 1 armed officer must be present at each school...

(a) There is no security at AVPA due to finances. The board should consider . Some schools adopt a guardian program. An unidentified person on campus is also an option.

(i) Krista Franklin and other board members choose only a Peace Officer.

(a) Private Security Firms

(b) FWPD

(i) Information including pricing will be presented to the Board at the next Board Meeting.

(b) No further questions were presented.

(3) A motion was made by Jon Altschuler at 7:10 to approve the minutes. The motion was second by Caleb Johnson. A unanimous decision was made by the board.

(4) A motion for the Good Cause Exemption was made by Krista Franklin and seconded Dr. Franchoised and agreed by the complete board.

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VI. RECONVENE OF OPEN SESSION

- Consider and take possible action on items discussed in closed session.
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 - Boxer Property
 - A motion was made to end the lease by Sergio Gonzalez and seconded by Jon Altschuler the motion is in favor of all board members.
 - Gov't Code 551.073 – Deliberations regarding prospective gifts
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 - A motion was made to accept with a non disclosure Prospective Gifts from Fort Worth Education Partnership by Caleb Johnson and seconded by Sergio Gonzalez All board members were in favor.
 - Gov't Code 551.074 – Deliberations regarding Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, or Dismissal of a Public Officer or Employee
 - Registered Agent Replacement for Illumination Education Inc
 - A motion was made by Sergio Gonzalez to name Natalie as the Registered Agent Replacement and seconded by Dr. Franchois the motion is in favor of all board members.
 - Sergio Gonzalez motioned to announce Jon A. as chair and was seconded by Dr. Franchois. All board members were in favor.

The next scheduled meeting is Apr 15, 2025 at 6:30. Every 3rd meeting. However, there are some businesses we need to take care of. Sup. Natalie Texada suggested that we call a meeting on April 1. Meeting notification will be sent out by Caleb.

Sup. Natalie Taxeda notified Jon that she normally sends the agenda to the Board Chair and Attorney the day before the meeting.

VII. ADJOURN BOARD MEETING at 9:18.