

THE CLASSICAL ACADEMY

BOARD OF DIRECTORS ANNUAL MEETING

(OPEN TO THE PUBLIC)

MONDAY, AUGUST 14, 2023, 6:00-8:50 P.M.

LOCATION: TCA NORTH CAMPUS — SECONDARY SCHOOL, 1ST FLOOR, ROOM 1102

The Classical Academy exists to assist parents in their mission to develop exemplary citizens, equipped with analytical thinking skills, virtuous character, and a passion for learning, all built upon a solid foundation of knowledge.



AGENDA

Presentation Time/Start Time

I. Call to Order (6:00 pm)

1 min (6:00) (6:02)

• The Board Chair (Mr. Fradette) called the meeting to order at 6:02.

II. Pledge of Allegiance/Mission/Roll Call

2 min (6:01) (6:03)

- Roll call: (Mr. Fradette; Here // Mr. Hannan; Here // Mrs. Hawkins; Here // Mrs. Johnson; Here // Mr. Palmer; Absent // Mrs. Wittleder; Here // Mr. Young; Here). A quorum was present.
- III. Farewell to Outgoing Board Members and Hello to New Board Members

5 min (6:03) (6:04) 2 min (6:08) (6:09)

IV. Approval of Agenda

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- Motion: Mr. Hannan moved to approve the agenda and was seconded.
- Discussion: None
- Vote: By a roll call vote of 6-0 the Board approved the motion. (Mr. Fradette; Yea // Mr. Hannan; Yea // Mrs. Hawkins; Yea // Mrs. Johnson; Yea // Mrs. Wittleder; Yea // Mr. Young; Yea).
- V. Comments from the Audience

10 min (6:10) (6:10)

- There were no audience comments.
- VI. Sign Board Agreement/Conflict of Interest Disclosure/Executive Session Confidentiality 5 min (6:20) (6:11) Statement per Board policy BC-TCA

Action: (Fradette)
Motion: (Info)

Rationale: to ensure the Board is familiar with their responsibilities, acknowledge any conflicts of interest (if any), and understand the confidentiality requirements associated with Board Executive Sessions

- The Board signed the Board Agreement/Conflict of Interest Disclosure/and the Confidentiality Statement.
- Mr. Palmer will sign the Board Agreement/ Conflict of Interest Disclosure/and the Confidentiality Statement before the next Board meeting.

VII. Executive Session

50 min (6:25) (6:19)

Action: (Fradette)

Motion: to move into executive session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402 (4)(h) Student Conflict resolution Rationale: to discuss items in reference to Student Conflict Resolution

- Motion: Mr. Fradette moved to move into executive session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402 (4)(h) Student Conflict resolution.
- Discussion: Dr, Thomason, Mrs. Birkey, Mr. Miller, and Mr. Jolly were invited into the Executive Session.
- Vote: By a roll call vote of 6-0 the Board approved the motion. (Mr. Fradette; Yea // Mr. Hannan; Yea // Mrs. Hawkins; Yea // Mrs. Johnson; Yea // Mrs. Wittleder; Yea // Mr. Young; Yea).

- Motion: Mr. Fradette moved to uphold the administration's decision related to the stakeholder grievance presented in executive session.
- Discussion: None
- Vote: By a roll call vote of 6-0 the Board approved the motion. (Mr. Fradette; Yea // Mr. Hannan; Yea // Mrs. Hawkins; Yea // Mrs. Johnson; Yea // Mrs. Wittleder; Yea // Mr. Young; Yea).

VIII. Board Officer Elections per Board policy BBA-TCA

10 min (7:15) (7:19)

Action: (Fradette)

Motion: (Vote) the Board by majority vote selects the new Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary Rationale: at the beginning of each school year, the Board selects the officer positions on the Board for the upcoming year

- Discussion: Mr. Fradette asked for nominations for Board Chair. Mr. Hannan nominated Mr. Fradette and was seconded. Mr. Fradette was the only nominee.
- Motion: Mr. Fradette asked for a vote on Mr. Fradette being Board Chair.
- Vote: By a roll call vote of 6-0 the Board approved the motion. (Mr. Fradette; Yea // Mr. Hannan // Mrs. Hawkins; Yea // Mrs. Johnson; Yea // Mrs. Wittleder; Yea // Mr. Young; Yea).
- Discussion: Mr. Fradette asked for nominations for Board Vice Chair. Mr. Fradette nominated Mr. Hannan and was seconded. Mr. Hannan was the only nominee.
- Motion: Mr. Fradette asked for a vote on Mr. Hannan being Board Vice Chair.
- Vote: By a roll call vote of 6-0 the Board approved the motion. (Mr. Fradette; Yea // Mr. Hannan; Yea // Mrs. Hawkins; Yea // Mrs. Johnson; Yea // Mrs. Wittleder; Yea // Mr. Young; Yea).
- Discussion: Mr. Fradette asked for nominations for Board Treasurer. Mrs. Johnson nominated Mrs. Hawkins and was seconded. Mrs. Hawkins was the only nominee.
- Motion: Mr. Fradette asked for a vote on Mrs. Hawkins being Board Treasurer.
- Vote: By a roll call vote of 6-0 the Board approved the motion. (Mr. Fradette; Yea // Mr. Hannan // Mrs. Hawkins; Yea // Mrs. Johnson; Yea // Mrs. Wittleder; Yea // Mr. Young; Yea).
- Discussion: Mr. Fradette asked for nominations for Board Secretary. Mr. Fradette nominated Mrs. Wittleder and was seconded. Mrs. Wittleder was the only nominee.
- Motion: Mr. Fradette asked for a vote on Mrs. Wittleder being Board Secretary.
- Vote: By a roll call vote of 6-0 the Board approved the motion. (Mr. Fradette; Yea // Mr. Hannan // Mrs. Hawkins; Yea // Mrs. Johnson; Yea // Mrs. Wittleder; Yea // Mr. Young, Yea).

IX. Comments from the Board of Directors

5 min (7:25) (7:25)

- Mr. Young: Looking forward to the start of school and football season; I am always impressed by the coaching leadership and character traits taught on the field.
- Mrs. Hawkins: Excited about the start of school and implementing the Digital Health Policy; it looks to be another great year and it is good to have Dr. Thomason.
- Mr. Fradette: Good to see the same cabinet faces coming back to TCA with the addition of Dr. Thomason; it looks to be another great year for TCA.
- Mr. Hannan: I enjoyed the theme of the staff back to school meeting "Family Reunion"; We are all part of the TCA Family.
- Mrs. Johnson: We now have all 8 Johnson kids at TCA at one time; TCA families make a big commitment to stay at TCA; I am serving on the D20 Mil Levy Override Committee as a private citizen.
- Mrs. Wittleder: I enjoyed the "Family Reunion" staff event to start the year off on a good foot; Erin Yeadon was a worthy recipient of the Titan of the Year Award.

X. Board Development (Indemnification and Personal Liability)

10 min (7:30) (7:35)

Action: (Miller)
Motion: (Info)

Rationale: reviewing Board governance responsibilities

- Mr. Miller (TCA School Attorney discussed the following items concerning School Board:
 - o Specific Legal Responsibilities
 - Student confidentiality
 - Personnel and HR matters confidentiality
 - Open meetings law
 - Open records law
 - Implied Board Responsibilities:
 - Duty of Care: Attend Board meetings, review read aheads, know Board policies, understand financial reports, review annual Charter Contract between TCA and ASD20
 - Duty of Loyalty: Board members receive no personal gain while performing their duties

- Declare if there is a conflict of interests
- **Execute Board duties**
- **Board Protections:**
 - Corporate structure limited liability
 - Insurance
 - Governmental immunity

XI. Report of the President & Cabinet Spotlights

Action: (Thomason) Motion: (Info)

Rationale: to highlight cabinet activities (Pres., Ops, Academics, HR, Finance)

- Dr. Thomason highlighted the following items in his report:
 - TCA staff back to school meeting focused on the fact we are a family.
 - A healthy family is one built on service to one another.
 - A family who serves each other should be motivated by love.
 - This year we had three staff members with 25 years of service.
 - The Board/President goals changed in one way; instead of creating a Digital Health Policy it is now implementing the Digital Health Policy.
 - We have completed the renovations to the third-floor administrative offices as well as the activities office. registrar offices, and counseling offices.
 - Academy District 20 will place a vote on a mil levy override on the November 7th ballot.
 - Mil levy monies could be used for staff salaries, security needs, and building maintenance needs to name a few.

Break 10 min (7:50) (8:05)

XII. **Consent Agenda**

3 min (8:00) (8:14) Board Directed items to be removed from Consent Agenda:

Motion: (Vote) to file the Consent Agenda

- A. Finance (VanGampleare)
 - 1. June Financials
 - 2. May Financials
- **B.** Charter Contract (Signed Copy)
- C. President's Designation of Two Emergency Replacements per Board policy CBC-TCA (Thomason)
- D. Updated TCA Organization Chart
- E. Signed Board Oath of Office Statements and Department of Local Affairs Inventory
- Motion: Mrs. Johnson moved to file the Consent Agenda and was seconded.
- Discussion: None
- Vote: By a roll call vote of 6-0 the Board approved the motion. (Mr. Fradette; Yea // Mr. Hannan; Yea // Mrs. Hawkins; Yea // Mrs. Johnson; Yea // Mrs. Wittleder; Yea // Mr. Young; Yea).

XIII. Minutes: June 1, 2023

2 min (8:03) (8:15)

10 min (7:40) (7:49)

Action: (Swanson)

Motion: (Vote) to approve the June 1, 2023 minutes

Rationale: to provide a record of the Board meeting for files

- Motion: Mr. Hannan moved to approve the June 1, 2023 minutes and was seconded.
- Vote: By a roll call vote of 6-0 the Board approved the motion. (Mr. Fradette; Yea // Mr. Hannan; Yea // Mrs. Hawkins; Yea // Mrs. Johnson; Yea // Mrs. Wittleder; Yea // Mr. Young; Yea).

XIV. **Discussion Agenda Items**

- A. Items removed from Consent Agenda
- **B.** Cabinet Level Reports
- C. Board Level Reports
 - 1. Strategic Plan Annual Review

5 min (8:05) (8:18)

Action: (Chair)

Motion: (Vote) to approve changes to the strategic plan as presented

Rational: to provide a framework for the future direction of TCA as well as provide the basis for the Board/President Goals

- Motion: Mr. Hannan moved to approve the TCA Board's Strategic Plan for the 2023-2024 year without any changes and was seconded.
- Discussion: None
- Vote: By a roll call vote of 6-0 the Board approved the motion. (Mr. Fradette; Yea // Mr. Hannan; Yea // Mrs. Hawkins; Yea // Mrs. Johnson; Yea // Mrs. Wittleder; Yea // Mr. Young; Yea).

Action: (Chair/Thomason)

Motion: (Vote) to approve the Board/President's Goals for the 2022-2023 school year

Rationale: to ensure the Board/President Goals align with the Strategic Plan

- Motion: Mr. Hannan moved to approve the TCA Board/President Goals for the 2023-2024 year and was seconded.
- Discussion: None

• Vote: By a roll call vote of 6-0 the Board approved the motion. (Mr. Fradette; Yea // Mr. Hannan; Yea // Mrs. Hawkins; Yea // Mrs. Johnson; Yea // Mrs. Wittleder; Yea // Mr. Young; Yea).

3. Board Committees

10 min (8:15) (8:22)

Action: (Chair) Motion: (Info)

Rationale: to review current Board committees and select committee chairs and members

• The Board adjusted the names on the Board Committee list. (See Attachment 1 Board Committees)

4. Digital Health Implementation Update

10 min (8:25) (8:35)

Action: (Wittleder/Palmer)

Motion: (Info)

Rationale: to provide information pertaining to the implementation of the Digital Health Policy

- The Digital Health Committee summarized the policy process:
 - Researched and received inputs from parents, students, and staff via surveys, forums, assemblies, and focus groups.
 - Qualitative as well as quantitative data.
 - Reviewed pros and cons.
 - Created the policy after a year of study.
 - o We are now at the implementation phase of the Digital Health Policy.
 - We will communicate with each school.
 - Monitor feedback from principals.
 - Expecting a smooth transition as we gather information, and provide monthly updates to the Board.
 - Teachers will be instructed to have parents contact their respective principals to discuss the Digital Health policy.
 - O Parents are welcome to email the Board or speak during Audience Comment time at a Board Meeting with their feedback.

D. Board Communication

5 min (8:35) (8:40)

Action: (Secretary)

Rationale: to develop and approve of communication update to community

- Farewell to Mr. Collins (Board Director)
- Hello to Mr. Young (New Board Director)
- Hello to Dr. Thomason (New TCA President)
- Board Officer Assignment
- Digital Health Update

E. Future Board Agenda Items

5 min (8:40) (8:42)

- 1. Budget Projection Policy, Sept, Governance Committee
- 2. Site Based Management Policy, Sept, Governance Committee
- 3. Conflict of Interest Policy, Sept, Governance Committee
- 4. HR Annual Report, Sept, Schulz
- 5. Recruit New Board Members, Sept, Training Committee
- **6.** Working Session Topics, Sept, Chair
- 7. Annual Advancement and Stewardship Report, Sept, Simpson
- 8. Quarterly FAC Report, Sept, VanGampleare

F. Comments from the Board of Directors

5 min (8:45) (8:43)

• No comments from the Board.

V. Adjournment (Approx. 8:50 p.m.)

(8:50) (8:44)

- Motion: Mr. Fradette moved to adjourn the meeting and was seconded.
- Discussion: None
- Vote: By a roll call vote of 6-0 the Board approved the motion. (Mr. Fradette; Yea // Mr. Hannan; Yea // Mrs. Hawkins; Yea // Mrs. Johnson; Yea // Mrs. Wittleder; Yea // Mr. Young; Yea).

Attachments:

Sonya Wittleder TCA Board Secretary