



Oklahoma Connections Academy (OKCA)  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Notice is hereby given to the members of the OKCA Board and the general public that the OKCA Board will hold a meeting open to the public on:

**Date and Time:**

Wednesday, March 25, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. CT

**Held via teleconference due to State Precautions regarding Public Health and Safety  
During COVID-19 Pandemic:**

**1(800) 747-5150; 148-8429#**

John Tidwell, Board Chair: Via Teleconference  
Charlie Daniels, Board Vice President/Secretary: Via Teleconference  
Aubrey Lakey, Board Treasurer/Board Clerk: Via Teleconference  
Bob Sullivan, Board Member: Via Teleconference  
Mike Lapolla, Board Member: Via Teleconference

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Notices of this meeting have been appropriately posted as required by law. Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation by contacting Melissa Gregory at (918) 977-3286. Requests should be made as early as possible to arrange the accommodation; no later than twenty four (24) hours prior to the meeting.

**BOARD AGENDA**

- I. Call to Order – J. Tidwell
- II. Statement of Compliance with the Open Meeting Act – J. Tidwell

This regularly scheduled meeting of the Oklahoma Connections Academy Board of Directors has been convened in accordance with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act. This meeting was preceded by advance notice of the date, time, and place, filed with the Oklahoma Secretary of State ten days prior to the meeting date. Notice of this meeting was also given at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance of the meeting by posting notice of the date, time, place, and agenda of the meeting at the principal office of the Oklahoma Connections Academy, located at 2425 Nowata Place, Suite 202, Bartlesville, Oklahoma, and at the meeting location.

- III. Roll Call – J. Tidwell
- IV. Public Comment

The Board welcomes participation by the members of the public both in-person and telephonically. To address an item on the agenda, before the scheduled start of the meeting, an individual must write their name and a short description of the agenda item on which they wish to comment on the card provided and submit this to the Chair, along with any materials they want to have distributed to Board. Individuals who wish to address the Board telephonically must contact the School Principal by phone or by email at least twenty four (24) hours before the scheduled start of the Board meeting. If the individual wants to provide any written materials to the Board, these should be emailed to the School Principal at least twenty four (24) hours before the scheduled start of the meeting.

The total time for any individual to present, either in person or via telephone, on an item on the agenda shall not exceed three (3) minutes, unless the Board grants additional time.

Individuals desiring to make a formal presentation to the Board on an item not on the agenda but desiring it be placed on the agenda must provide notice and written submissions detailing the subject of the presentation to the

School Principal at least fourteen (14) days prior to the meeting. Any such presentation shall not exceed fifteen (15) minutes in duration, unless otherwise permitted by the Chair.

To view the Board Public Comment Policy, visit the school's "Our School Board" page at [www.connectionsacademy.com](http://www.connectionsacademy.com)

- V. Routine Business – J. Tidwell
  - a. Approval of Agenda
- VI. Action Items
  - a. Ratification of Board Counsel Engagement (sent under separate cover) – J. Tidwell
- VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Oklahoma Code §25 O.S. 307 – Confidential communications between a public body and its attorney concerning a pending investigation, claim, or action if the public body, with the advice of its attorney, determines that disclosure will seriously impair the ability of the public body to process the claim or conduct a pending investigation, litigation, or proceeding in the public interest – J. Tidwell
- VIII. Approval of Action(s) Necessary Based on Executive Session – J. Tidwell
- IX. Audit Committee, Committee of the Entire Board
  - a. Review and Acceptance of Audit Report for the 2018-2019 School Year (attached)
  - b. Approval of Contract for Audit of Public Schools and Audit Firm Engagement for the 2019-2020 School Year (attached)
- X. Oral Reports
  - a. Principal's Report (MSR attached) – M. Gregory
    - i. Update on School Response to Covid-19 Public Health Situation
    - ii. Update on Graduation Plans and End of Year Activities
    - iii. Update on Winter Leadership Retreat
    - iv. Update on Board Information Requests
    - v. Update on Staff Training Efforts
      - 1. Oklahoma Excellence Program
  - b. Financial Report (attached) – G. Corkran
    - i. Exam Proctoring Update
  - c. POBL Products, Services, and Initiatives Update (attached) – B. Adams
- XI. Consent Items
  - a. Approval of Minutes from the January 15, 2020 Regular Board Meeting (attached)
  - b. Approval of Staffing Report (attached)
  - c. Approval of Pearson Online & Blended Learning Invoices for January and February (attached)
  - d. Approval of Revision(s) to the 2019-2020 School Year State Specific School Handbook: General Revisions (attached)
  - e. Approval of Revision(s) to the 2020-2021 School Year State Specific School Handbook: Enrollment, Withdrawal, and Transfers (attached)
  - f. Approval of School Calendar for the 2020-2021 School Year (attached)
  - g. Approval of Staff Compensation Plan for the 2020-2021 School Year (attached)
  - h. Approval of Revision(s) to Employee Handbook (attached)
  - i. Approval of Board President as Board Designee to Approve Summer Staffing Decisions for the 2020-2021 School Year
  - j. Approval of Revised Board Policies: Fiscal Controls Policy and Board Delegation Policy (attached)
- XII. Action Items
  - a. Consideration of Renewal of Statement of Agreement with Pearson Online & Blended Learning (to follow) – B. Adams
  - b. Consideration of School-Funded Summer School Scholarship Offering to Students (attached) – M. Gregory/B. Adams
  - c. Consideration of Service Agreements for the 2020-2021 School Year with Municipal Accounting Systems, INC for Software Services and Student Information Services Systems (attached) – M. Gregory/G. Corkran

XIII. Information Items

- a. State Account Relations (STAR) Update – B. Adams
- b. Partner School Leadership Team Update – K. Clements
- c. Outreach Plan for the 2020-2021 School Year (attached) – J. Rotar
- d. Board Planning for the 2020-2021 School Year – K. DeGroff
  - i. Board Support Update
  - ii. Proposed Meeting Schedule
  - iii. Board Composition

XIV. Extended Public Comment (limited to agenda items only)

XV. Adjournment and Confirmation of Next Meeting Date – May 20, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. CT