

**THOMPSON EDUCATION FOUNDATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 16, 2025**

The meeting was called to order at 4:20 p.m.

Board members in attendance were Kim Akeley-Charron, Brian Cullins, Rick Bowles, Lauren Haug, Bob Herrmann, Barbara Kruse, Matt Thies, and Sarah Walgast. Board members unable to attend were Paul Baron, Will Delmar, Brandy Grieves, Bret Heller, Lori Hvizda Ward, Tracy Roller, and Celeste Smith. Staff members Lesa Biedron and Eowyn Sanders were also in attendance.

There was no quorum, so the Consent Agenda - consisting of the June 17 board meeting minutes, the June & July Investment Management Account statements, the June & July ED reports, and the June financial report – will be emailed to the board for approval.

Lesa updated the board on the Project Prom homecoming dress pop-up the staff held on Saturday. 71 students visited the pop-up, with 63 students leaving with one or more dresses. An organization out of Longmont - A Mother's Passion – picked up the remaining short dresses from TEF.

It's time to think about locations to hold the December meeting and the TEF holiday celebration. Potential locations that have been suggested so far include The Forge, Desk Chair, and Venue at 319. The Forge received the most feedback from the board. Kim will work on getting a space reserved. Kim asked the board if, in the future, moving the holiday celebration to the summer instead of December would be easier on the board. Bob shared that as a new member at the 2024 celebration, it was a nice way to meet members of the board before attending meetings as a voting member. Brian agreed that holding the celebration at the end of the year is a great way for the board to meet new members.

Lauren approached the board with a donation request of \$3,000.00 for the TSD bond committee Yes 4 Thompson. The committee is seeking support to help with purchasing flyers for door-to-door campaigning. The proposed bond is for \$99 million and will replace the sunset bond, resulting in no tax increase. The board members in attendance voiced their support. Kim will email the board for a final vote of approval.

The new board member application will open on October 1. Kim will send the link to the board to be sent to potential members. Nomination committee members are needed to hold interviews with candidates. Bob, Lauren, and Matt volunteered. Brian is

able to step in if need be. Bob will be the head of the committee and will make arraignments to meet with the candidates as they apply.

Brian opened the floor to other business. Kim is working on reviewing TEF's policy documents and is working on revisions. Due to the volume of policies to be reviewed by the board, Kim asked if they would refer to read them all at once or in blocks over a few meetings. The board agreed they would rather read a few at a time rather than all at once.

Eowyn has been working with the high schools to get on the schedule for any senior meeting or events to spread scholarship awareness. Eowyn created a scholarship notification list for students to sign up to be notified when the application opens in January. Lesa created a slideshow and flyers with the signup information.

The meeting was finished at 4:58.

Kim emailed the board on Wednesday, 9/17/2025, to get approval for the consent agenda and the donation to the bond campaign. Both votes were approved via email on 9/18/2025.