



**Tempe Preparatory Academy &  
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## **PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA**

Minutes

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### **TEMPE PREPARATORY ACADEMY BOARD & TEMPE PREPARATORY JUNIOR ACADEMY BOARD JOINT SUMMIT**

**June 20, 2009  
8:00 – 11:59 a.m.  
Student Union  
1251 East Southern Avenue  
Tempe, Arizona**

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Welcome & Breakfast**
- 2. Vision & Mission of TPA & TPJA—Priorities & Issues; Goals & Expectations**
- 3. Character, Size, Facilities & Expectations for TPA & TPJA**
- 4. Roles of Faculty, Staff, Parents, Family & Greater Community**
- 5. Governing Structure**
- 6. Relationship with TPA Foundation & Fundraising Model**
- 7. Adjournment**

According to the Arizona Open Meeting Law, the Boards of Tempe Preparatory Academy and Tempe Preparatory Junior Academy may only discuss matters listed on their respective agendas. The Boards reserve the right to change the order of items on their agendas. Some members of the Boards may participate by conference telephone. Copies of this agenda and supporting materials will be available, as appropriate, at the schools offices 24 hours prior to the meeting.

**Date: Saturday June 20, 2009**

Time: 8:00a.m.

**Location: Student Union**

**A special joint meeting of the Tempe Preparatory Academy Board of Directors and the Tempe Preparatory Junior Academy Board of Directors was held in the Student Union of Tempe Preparatory Academy, 1251 East Southern Avenue, Tempe, Arizona, pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.02, notice having been duly given.**

**Board Members Present:** J Hughes, President, G Golka, Vice President. E Ortiz, Treasurer. K Brockelman. T Kilby. J Evans. C LeBeau. M Dickens, PTO ex-officio member.

**Others Present:** Hugh Hallman, Incoming Headmaster. TPA faculty/staff/contracted staff: Barbara White, Tom Brittain, Nancy Callahan.

J Hughes called the meeting to order at 8:17a.m.

The group discussed the balance of science in a liberal arts education, four of the seven liberal arts being: geometry, arithmetic, music and astronomy.

Philosophy of teacher recruitment was also discussed.

Student expectations of character, behavior, respect and also "parental-buy-in" were discussed.

The Board decided to have "working groups" instead of subcommittees and to start with: Extracurriculars, facilities, Public Affairs, Academic Improvement. Disbanding our traditional committees does not disband commitment.

Board should focus on/manage:

- Our external relationships.
- Fundraising in association with the TPA foundation, which exists for capital fundraising that does not conflict with our Bond Pool obligations.
- Maintaining our vision and policies. (This includes the size of the school. The impact of school size on athletic programs was discussed, as was the importance of athletics to most TPA students).

School size was discussed at length. The Board directed H Hallman to investigate the adding of one to two more sections of 6<sup>th</sup> grade and possibly renting space from Grace Church to accomplish this—possibly moving all sections of 6<sup>th</sup> grade to Grace.

Board make-up was discussed. It was decided that the Board should have 7 to 9 members with new members having expertise with financial matters and education. Also fundraising expertise, although this type of person

could go on the TPA Foundation Board. H Hallman brought up the idea of an Advisory Board for fundraising, whose members could help raise funds, but not have to be involved with the minutiae of the school. An Educational Advisory Board also was briefly discussed.

E Ortiz moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:58a.m. T Kilby seconded.  
Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Tara Kilby, Secretary  
Susan Hallman, Scribe.