

## **TCMA Board of Directors**

### **Minutes of the Meeting of April 21, 2026**

Public Dining Room A, the Embassy Suites Hotel, Murfreesboro, Tennessee 4:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order: in attendance – President Chris McCartt, Vice-President Jennifer Moody, Secretary Marc Woerner, Directors Molly Mehner and Daniel Estes, and Past President Jay Evans.
2. On an Evans motion, Mehner second with all members voting yes, the minutes of the meetings of September 23, 2025, November 10, 2025, January 9, 2026, and February 9, 2026, were all approved.
3. On an Estes motion, Woerner second with all members voting yes, the Board accepted and approved the FY 2025 audit.
4. On a Woerner motion, Mehner second with all members voting yes, the Board agreed to provide the TCMA representative on the ICMA Conference Planning Committee for the 2027 ICMA Conference in Toronto, Canada a travel stipend/reimbursement not to exceed \$1,500 to attend the Planning Committee meeting in Toronto scheduled for July 2027. Vice-President Jennifer Moody volunteered to be the TCMA representative, subject to approval from her governing body.
5. The FY 2027 budget Resolution 26-01 was approved on a Moody motion, Estes second with all members voting yes. The motion to approved included an amendment to increase the proposed budget by \$1,500 to account for the travel stipend approved in Item 4 above.
6. Executive Director Bednar reviewed the existing TCMA Financial Policy that was adopted in 2015 and has never been updated. Past President Evans and Director Mehner agreed to collaborate with Executive Director Bednar to propose an updated version of the policy for Board consideration at its September 2026 meeting.
7. Executive Director Bednar reviewed the details of the Spring 2026 conference, including the conference and social event budgets. The board discussed the increasing costs of hotel food and beverage and audio-visual services, including the provision of Wi-Fi in the meeting rooms. Executive Director Bednar will work to

minimize the Wi-Fi costs for future contracted conferences, including the option to build this cost into the base room rate.

8. Executive Director Bednar gave a report concerning preliminary planning for the Fall 2026 conference in Gatlinburg.
9. A discussion was held concerning the location of the Spring 2028 TCMA Conference. On a Moody motion, seconded by Evans with all members voting yes, the Board approved Paris Landing State Park as the site for the Spring 2028 conference.
10. Executive Director Bednar reviewed the final proposed ICMA Region C Vice-President rotation plan which will be considered by the ICMA Board in June.
11. ICMA Region C representative Matt Fulton ICMA gave a report via Zoom.
12. TCMA Executive Director Pat Hardy gave a report on the status of various matters related to the ongoing operation of the Association.
13. Under Other Business Secretary Woerner asked the Board to consider purchase of a “step and repeat” backdrop to be used on stage during conferences in lieu of replacement of the outdated TCMA vinyl banner. The Board agreed and instructed Executive Director Bednar to pursue purchase.
14. There being no other business the meeting was adjourned.