

TEXAS ELKS CHILDREN'S SERVICES, INC.
Board Meeting – Fall Conference

Al McLoughlin, Chairman of the Board
Mike Smith, Vice-Chairman
Karen McCrary, Secretary/Treasurer
Julie Morris, Chaplain
John Atwood, TECSI Advisor/SDGER
John D. Amen, PGER/State Sponsor

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Houston, Texas

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Agenda Item: III – A.

Date: October 23, 2026

Subject: Consideration of Minutes

**** ACTION ****

Background Information:

The Texas Elks Children's Services, Inc. Board of Directors, as a corporate body, is required to keep a record of actions taken by the TECSI Board of Directors at all regular and called meetings.

Item Addressed:

Following are the minutes from the Texas Elks Children's Services, Inc. Board of Directors Meetings held on September 18, 2026.

Recommended Action:

Board Approval of the Minutes as presented.

**Texas Elks Children's Services, Inc.
Board Meeting – Homecoming
Friday, September 18, 2026 – 3:00 p.m.
Ottine, Texas**

- I. Call to Order:** Al McLoughlin, Chairman of the TECSI Board, called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.
- A. Invocation:** TECSI Chaplain, Julie Morris opened the meeting with a prayer.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance:** Director Larry Green led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- II. Roll Call and Introductions:** Secretary-Treasurer Karen McCrary called the roll. Chairman Al McLoughlin made the introductions.

TECSI Directors present for the meeting were:

Chris Stansbury	Sally DiPalma	Mike Smith
Karen McCrary	Larry Green	Julie Morris
Al McLoughlin		

The following TECSI Alternates were present:

Sheri McCord	Carlos Camarillo	Kendra Hart
Brian Degner	Efrain Guerrero	Kim McDermott

Those also attending the meeting were: Billy Bryan, TESA President; David Zint, TESA President-Elect; Hon. John Atwood, Special Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler/TECSI Advisor; Steve Weatherly, TESA Treasurer/PSP; Mike Clark,

TESA Secretary/PSP; Jim Stansbury, PSP; Don Pepper, PSP; Kirk Storey, PSP; John Oswalt, PSP; Renea Oswalt, PSP/TEEI Chairperson; Stephen Hafley, TEEI Vice Chairman North Central District; Bruce Lemery, TEEI Director Pan West District; Nikki Green, TESA Veterans Chair; John Galvan, PDDGER; Jack Richardson, District Leader North; Orley Mullens, PER; Craig Schmidt, PER; D'Anna Bergandino, PER; Keith Stanley, PER/TECOT Board of Directors; Danny Dry, PER; Julie Brock, PER; Austin Brown, PER; Kara Mason, PER; James Hogg, ER; Brian Nicholson, ER; Casey Welch, ER; Chili Ruiz, ER; Jackie Degner, Member Marshall Lodge #683; Keith Schmitz, Member San Antonio #216; Rhonda Bedrick, Member Fort Worth #124; Marcia Bradley, Member Dallas #71; Will Temple, Member Borger #1581; Terry Hardin, Member Borger #1581; Cherry Fisher, Member Marshall #683; Kayward Bouillion, Member Beaumont #311; Elaine Galvan, Member Beaumont #311; Rebecca Martinez, Member Bryan #859; Lucy Rodriguez, Member Bryan #859; Thomas Hernandez, Member Bryan #859; Angela Trafton, Member Bryan #859; Susan Amen, Wife of Hon. John Amen; and Janet Person, TECSI Assistant Director.

III. Items for Board Action:

A. Consideration of the Minutes of the Previous Meetings, June 4, 2026:

Secretary-Treasurer Karen McCrary stated everyone had received copies of the minutes from the previous TECSI Board Meeting held on June 4, 2026.

Karen McCrary made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Larry Green. Motion carried.

B. Consideration of the Financial Statements:

Secretary-Treasurer, Karen McCrary said our financials are not available at this time as TECSI does not currently have a bookkeeper on staff. Financials will be provided to all TECSI Directors and Alternates at a later date.

C. Set Dates for Homecoming 2027 & Establish Host District:

Chairman McLoughlin said we will now move on to the setting of the dates for Homecoming 2027. The North Central District will be the District in charge of next year's Homecoming. Customarily, the event takes place on the third full weekend of September. In looking at next year's calendar for September 2027, that would fall on Friday the 17th and Saturday the 18th.

Vice-Chairman, Mike Smith made a motion to set the dates for Homecoming 2027 for September 17th and 18th. The motion was seconded by Secretary-Treasurer, Karen McCrary. Motion carried.

D. Set Dates for Camp 2027:

Chairman McLoughlin said you will find the proposed dates for Camp 2027 on page 23 of the Board packet. You will see the prep week, the training week and the weeks of camp. The first week of camp will begin on June 13th with the last day of camp ending on July 30th.

Vice-Chairman Smith made a motion to accept the camp dates as published. Director Larry Green seconded the motion. Motion carried.

E. TECSI Physical Plant Committee Update:

Chairman McLoughlin asked Alternate Sheri McCord to update the Board. Sheri said she didn't have a lot to report, but we do have another leak in our sprinkler system. We thought it was on the other side of the road next to the well house, but it is actually on our side of the road behind the cottage. We have the well turned off and are thinking that it's leaking in that box. We are going to need somebody to check that. Michael, the pool guy said he thought we needed a new pump. He backtracked within the same conversation stating that the pump is only running for approximately 28 minutes.

F. Grant Program 2025-2026 Update:

Chairman McLoughlin asked TECSI Assistant Director, Janet Person to address the Board. Janet reported the following:

For the month of June, I received 18 grants. I processed 11 grants at \$45,430.70 which was 12% of the grant allocations. 1 Lodge had spent all of its grant allocations. I placed 1 grant on the Gulf Coast District Unfunded Grants List and 1 grant on the Southwest District Unfunded Grants List.

For the month of July, I received 9 grants. By the end of July, I had processed a total of 21 grants at \$69,914.24 which was 17% of the grant allocations. A total of 2 Lodges had spent all of their grant allocations. I placed 1 more grant on the Southwest District Unfunded Grants List. There was a check from the 2022-2023 grant period for \$3,150.00 that had never been deposited by the vendor. The money was added back into the reserve.

For the month of August, I received 10 grants. By the end of August, I had processed a total of 31 grants at \$97,947.03 which was 24% of the grant allocations. A total of 4 Lodges had spent all of their grant allocations. I placed 1 grant on the North Central District Unfunded Grants List and 1 grant on the Pan West District Unfunded Grants List.

I have received 4 grants as of today for the month of September. I have processed a total of 33 grants at \$104,947.03 which is 26% of the total statewide grant allocations. I placed 1 grant on the North District Unfunded Grants List.

IV. Items for Board Information:

A. Report from the TECSI Board Chairman:

TECSI Chairman, Al McLoughlin said as most of you know, we are in the process of rebuilding the current staff. We have 3 specific openings: Executive Director, Bookkeeper and a Physical Plant Maintenance person. This has come about by the former dismissal of the former Executive Director who was also performing our bookkeeping services. We have received 104 resumes for the Executive Director position. We have identified 4 potential candidates. The hiring committee is in the process of trying to set up Zoom meetings with 3 of them. We've already had a Zoom meeting with one candidate.

We hope to be in a position fairly soon to identify the prime candidates and get them in front of the Board so they can meet the candidates and make a selection for the Executive Director position. That's a process; advertising via the internet, word of mouth, etc. It is a rather slow process and cumbersome, but our overall objective is to find the right person to take us to the next level. That's absolutely essential. We want to go forward; not stand still. We certainly don't want to go backwards. That's even worse.

We have a viable option now that just came in last week for the bookkeeper position which we will discuss. We also have an option from an independent third party in Shiner that provides bookkeeping services. We've asked that entity to give us a proposal, and they have done so. I had some questions about some terms in the contract that seemed to exclude the Texas Elks Endowment Fund which blew a big hole in the whole process. I spoke to them early this afternoon. They assured me that the proposal included the Endowment Fund. I had them put it in writing and email it to me. I have it with me. I asked them to send me a revised proposal which they have done; about thirty-five minutes before the meeting started.

I also sought clarification from this third party, called Live Oak Ledger about the statement they had made regarding tax preparation. We don't want to engage them for tax preparation services as we have a separate CPA firm in San Antonio. I wanted assurance that their bookkeeping proposal as offered included getting all of the data that we normally gather and sending it to our CPA firm so that they can perform their annual audit, file our taxes and do the 990s that are required. Again, they confirmed that their proposal includes those services. They said the proposal could have been worded better. I have that proposal as well.

An individual applied last week and sent us a resume. She seems to be very qualified with over 10+ years of QuickBooks experience, payroll process, managing accounts receivable and payable, doing quarterly reports, etc. She has worked locally for Capitol Monument Company for several years, Buddy's Natural Chickens for several years; a distributor of some type. For the last 9 years, she has worked for WB Farm & Ranch Supply as their Office Manager; processing payroll, managing receivables, payables and doing lots of things. The lady is also currently the secretary for the last 5 years for the Gonzales Elks Lodge. Her name is Regina Porras. I haven't met her yet. Her resume just came in last week, and we were unable to schedule a visit with her with Homecoming just around the corner.

I have run some numbers on the Live Oak Ledger proposal versus a full time employee as a bookkeeper, and the numbers are somewhat close but are not exact. A full time employee would add about \$3,900.00 more annually. The difference comes from paying 100% of full time employees' benefits costs plus 2% of retirement benefits. The salary is a little over \$39,000.00 per year using a rate of \$19.00 per hour with which she would be comfortable. The benefits cost would be a little over \$13,000.00 per year. Pricing with the bookkeeping service is a little over \$49,000.00 total versus about \$52,000.00 for the full time employee.

The reason I bring this up is that the Board decided in a previous meeting that we needed to have a bookkeeper. The model we used previously in merging bookkeeping with the Executive Director is that we had a separate bookkeeper. The Board wanted to go back with that separate function with a bookkeeper. If you want to see the resume for Regina, I have it. The Board needs to decide if we want a full time bookkeeper or a part time bookkeeper. There are benefits to both choices.

Vice-Chairman Mike Smith said we need somebody local and if they're not local, they need to be willing to move here so that they live close. Mike then made a motion that the Board hires a full time Executive Director, a full time bookkeeper and a full time maintenance person. I know it's going to cost a little, but we have the money. We need somebody to be at this camp on a regular basis. Janet can't do it all, and she's had a lot of stuff piled on her.

Mike stated his motion again to hire a full time Executive Director, full time bookkeeper and full time maintenance. Janet's position is already full time. Director Sally DiPalma seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chairman McLoughlin said we will proceed on that basis. We'll interview candidates as quickly as possible and proceed accordingly with hopefully making a full time position offer. We have some other items that the Board needs to discuss. We will do that in Executive Session after the conclusion of the Board meeting. We have a fairly extensive list to discuss.

B. Report from the TECSI Executive Director:

Chairman McLoughlin said I will now ask for the report from the Executive Director. He asked Janet if she would fill in with some comments. Janet said I thought I might get called on, and I didn't want to say I don't know what to say. We had a successful year at camp. 239 children attended. The number of campers that applied was 325; 54 of these families did not complete the enrollment process. We did have 19 children who were placed on a waitlist. Other than this and my grant report, I don't know what else I would report.

C. Report from Texas Elks Endowment:

TEEI Chairperson, Renea Oswalt said she had good news to report. Our investments continue to be up as of today. We're at about 7.5% this year so far. There is around \$12 million in both of our accounts for TEEI. We processed some buy/sell options back in August which should generate around \$359,000.00 in cash at the end of their cycle. We also recently voted to have an ENF Coordinator to help us allocate ENF dollars that are coming back to the state. TECSI will be getting some of those funds. That coordinator is Mr. John Atwood. He and I will meet later today to try and finalize those numbers so good news all-around. Chairman McLoughlin thanked Renea and her Board for their diligence and the managing of those funds.

D. Remarks from the President:

TESA President, Billy Bryan said there's lots going on. It's been a busy few months for you. I want to say I know y'all have worked hard, and you've kept it together. You've completed camp, and you've got missions in front of you. On behalf of the Texas Elks State Association and the members out in the audience, we appreciate your hard work.

E. Remarks from the President-Elect:

TESA President-Elect, David Zint said ditto to what Billy said. You guys have a hard decision right now. Thank you for taking care of us. All we can do right now is keep moving Elkdom forward.

F. Remarks from Hon. John Atwood, Special Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler/TECSI Advisor:

John said I think we owe a very huge debt of thanks to Janet Person and Sheri McCord. If they had not done what they have done, I'm not sure TECSI would still be here right now. They have kept this place going since the fiasco at the end of July. I think we're at a part now where it is time for the whole Board to see those resumes because you guys are going to have to make a decision by Fall Conference. If you don't do it by Fall, we're going to be in trouble. You have things to plan for in the future.

I think it's good that you are going to have four full time employees. We need to bring this place back to where it was 5 years ago. It's way better than it was camp-wise, but we need the organization to where it was; where we're not band aiding and making mistakes. Kirk did a great job. When James was here, he did a lot of band aiding which forced Kirk and his team to have to do a bunch of stuff.

My other suggestion is that you find a new pool guy. I've been here twice, and he had his entire family here. They're swimming in the pool. They're eating in the kitchen. They're in the bedrooms. That's not what we hired him for. I don't take my wife to work. I don't take my kids to work. This is his job, and he's being paid for it. He's the one that built it and we need a new plumbing system because he built it wrong. He built Dallas's pool, and they're having problems also. Maybe it's time to find somebody that can actually do the damn job.

John Oswalt is working on the playground. I would have loved to have had the playground ready for camp, but we didn't. Camp went well. The Board is doing what you're supposed to be doing. I do think it's time for the entire Board to get involved with the hiring of a new Executive Director.

G. Remarks from Hon. John Amen, PGER/Co-State Sponsor:

Honorable John Amen, PGER/Co-State Sponsor was not present to make his remarks.

H. Check Registers:

Vice-Chairman Mike Smith said the check register is not available at this time. As you all know, the Executive Director who was also the bookkeeper is no longer with us. I want to thank Sheri McCord and Janet. They have stepped in, and I think Sheri has been here just about every day. The check register is incomplete. We're finding things that are questionable. They will be presented to the Board at a later date.

I. Texas Elks Grants for Special Needs Children:

Chairman McLoughlin said we've already had Janet's report on the grants program unless they're something else we need to add. Janet said this is normally the place that shows how much each lodge and district has spent of their grant allocations. It is for information purposes only. It is financial materials and since we have no bookkeeper, there was nothing to put in the packet.

J. 2026-2027 TECSI Committees List:

Chairman McLoughlin said this is the committees list. You can take a look at these.

John Oswalt, PSP asked Chairman McLoughlin if he could give an update on the playground. The dilemma we've been involved in is the playground company we bought the equipment from has been sold to another company. It's been kind of a nightmare. The best thing about that is that I signed a contract back in October a couple of years ago that guaranteed my price on my equipment. It's sitting in Austin in a parking lot waiting to be delivered.

This new company's pricing is outrageous. I talked to Keri Weatherly a while back and explained the situation to her. She was wanting to do the seahorse thing that accommodates wheelchairs. When she first looked, they quoted her a price around \$9,000.00 to \$10,000.00. That was just for part of it; the little ship thing by itself. She didn't have a signed contract so now that thing is about \$30,000.00. The stuff that has to go with it so you can install it raises the cost to \$67,000.00 so it has been ixnayed. She's still got around \$9,000.00 left over from her project.

We've been back and forth with this guy. Today, he finally got me an updated quote on the surfacing for the playground. It's going to be \$48,646.00 along with the approximately \$20,000.00 for the equipment. We should be able to complete the playground pretty quickly. We do finally have enough money to get the playground installed. Hopefully, in the next few months, we'll have that nailed down. The guy we're dealing with is not easy to get ahold of. It looks like we're going to finally get the playground done, it just won't have that seahorse piece of equipment that Keri had wanted.

V. Sickness and Distress:

Chairman McLoughlin said Ken Moses, one of our Directors, couldn't join us. He's prepping for surgery on Monday. Alternate Efrain Guerrero said he spoke with Ken a couple of days ago. He sounds weak but positive and asked that we keep him in prayers.

Director Sally DiPalma said Alternate, Renay Bennett is in the hospital. She had a heart procedure done today.

John Oswalt, PSP said his dad is out of the hospital after having a double bypass. He's currently in rehab trying to recover so that he can go home. He doesn't like it, but I told him until you can wipe your own rear end and get around without falling, that's where you're going to be. Thank you all again for all of your prayers.

Director Chris Stansbury said Larry Wilson had a procedure yesterday or today. That's the reason he couldn't be here. It's nothing major.

VI. Good of the Order:

Vice-Chairman Mike Smith said he's seen a lot of improvements in different areas of our Homecoming event. The Southwest District asked to take over the golf tournament. It's getting better and better every year. Mike thanked Jim and Chris Stansbury, Kirk Storey and Austin Brown. Y'all have done a phenomenal job. Austin said we had 22 teams and 3 more sponsors than we did last year. It was an absolute hit. If you want to see how much fun we had, go to the Texas Elks webpage and take a look at the video we made. From my family, thank you so much for keeping my dad's name going. It's so special to us. My whole family went.

Mike said he's had some comments about our BBQ cookoff; possibly some things that need to be added, discussed, changed. Mike then asked Colonel Kayward J Bouillon to address the Board. Kayward said I've been cooking here for over 20 years. For the last 4 to 5 years, there have been some things going on with the cookoff that to me are not up to the standards of Elkdom. It started with a cookoff where the winners were told to just pick out some t-shirts from the camp store. I've been cooking professionally and amateurly for 20 years. When you're cooking, you're spending a lot of money. You're spending a lot of time. When folks win, they want some bragging rights. You sit down with your friends afterwards, have a few beers, and celebrate.

With no trophies, there's a lot of turmoil going on over there. I have bought trophies before. They're cheap. I don't see how it could be a money issue. As we were digging and trying to find out what the issues were, it was like, "We weren't given the money to do it." We heard rumors. I don't know if this is factual. Last year, we had a repeat of a few things like that. Another time I spoke with the person in charge of the cookoff and asked what is going on. He told me, "No one gave us any guidance. We don't know what we're doing. We're doing the best we can." I got to thinking about "We don't know what we're doing." That's wrong.

I have also heard that each lodge that is in charge of it can do what they want. I understand that. But if you're going to do a real, first class BBQ cookoff, there are basic guidelines that are so simple to follow. I have brought a copy of those guidelines with me. Another thing, when we bring our samples in, we put them down on a table. The judges see who brings in what. That is totally wrong. John Oswalt said that is going to be corrected this year. The turn-in will be in the little breezeway outside of the Rally Room. The containers in the breezeway will be anonymous. Everything is going to be done the way it should be done. The first place winners will get trophies. I will go back and make sure that this happens.

Kayward said again, trophies are not expensive. Traditionally, 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners all get trophies. When the winners are announced, it shouldn't be 1st, 2nd and then 3rd. It should be 3rd, 2nd and then 1st. You build it up. I'm doing this because I care. Last year, I gave this to Matt Williams. Matt said he was going to present it somewhere. I understand it never got presented.

Kayward's guidelines for Elks Homecoming BBQ Contest read as follows:

There are several events available in any cookoff in Texas. The big three are: Brisket, Ribs and Chicken. Optional events are Beans, Chili and Anything on the Pitt or Chef's Choice as it is sometimes called. Then if you have a lot of Judges sometimes we see Margarita and Blood Mary. Sometimes the drinks are held on Friday.

Chicken has some controversy with beginners about raw and well done; i.e. pink. Smoked chicken will have some pink. That is normal. Don't' freak out.

Head Cooks Meeting should be Friday evening to make sure everyone knows the rules while prepping on Friday night. Brisket and Ribs usually require 6 to 8 slices. Chicken is normally a half chicken and nothing else. Lettuce and such are used in some big, sanctioned contests, but it is easier to not use greens in the box. Never tell contestants to do what they want! Always give specific guidelines. Raffle type tickets are attached to the bottom of each sample box with the ticket on the box and the companion ticket removed and kept by the contestant. There should be no form of identification on the box to link with the contestant....blind sample only! All items should be cooked on site; nothing prepared prior to arrival. No gas grills allowed for the Meat category. Gas for beans, of course.

Turn-in Time: It is customary to start with the lowest event of the contest. For example: Beans, Chili, Chicken, Ribs and Brisket. Allow 10 minutes prior and after the turn-in time or 10 minutes before and after. Announce the Judge's actual time for contestants to set their times accordingly.

The Awards should be during the Auction; like in the middle. At the Awards, it is tradition to start 3,2, 1. Not with First, ever! Trophies should be given for the top 3. Start with the first item turned in; finishing up with Brisket.

Mike Clark, PSP said back when he was State President, he had brought up the idea of assigning things to each District. Identifying the major elements and assigning those to a District gives each District a buy-in and a reason to be there every year. If they have done something the year before, they can do it better the next year as opposed to doing it only once every 8 years.

TESA President-Elect, David Zint said Brian Degner mentioned that we have a lot of retired flags in the maintenance shop. The Borger Honor Guard will dispose of the flags properly.

John Oswalt, PSP said the Marshall Elks Lodge is celebrating its 125th year this year. It's the first Saturday in October, the 3rd. We will have a special ceremony at the lodge. We will be having a BBQ cookoff, and we're looking for some judges.

Chairman McLoughlin said he would like to remind everyone that this your state major project's 80th year in continuous operation. It all started in 1946. We are extremely thankful and appreciative of all the Texas Elks who came before us, are with us now and will come after us. 80 years of continual operation is a significant milestone.

Director Larry Green said I have an idea to give. With everything that has went on at this camp in the last couple of months, two ladies have stepped up. One of them is on our payroll.. She has stepped up in a very large way. We have dumped a lot on this lady. I would like to make a motion that she be compensated. I wanted to make sure to bring it up in the meeting, and we can discuss it further in Executive Session. Let's show her we appreciate what both of them have done. We've got to do something. Chairman McLoughlin said he agreed. We will talk about that during the Executive Session.

Alternate Sheri McCord said the reason why I have been here every day helping Janet out is because I do not want to see her walk out that door. She knows her job inside and out. She really cares about the kids and everything she does. That's why I wanted to be here to help her with anything she needed. She is TECSI.

VII. Benediction and Adjournment:

Chairman McLoughlin adjourned the meeting. Chaplain Julie Morris led everyone in the closing prayer.

Immediately following the meeting, the Board convened into Executive Session.

The Board reconvened into Regular Session following Executive Session. The following minutes were recorded by TECSI Secretary-Treasurer; Karen McCrary:

Members in attendance: Mike Smith, Karen McCrary, Julie Morris, Brian Degner, Carlos Camarillo, Efrain Guerrero, Sally DiPalma, Chris Stansbury, Larry Green, Kim McDermott, Sheri McCord and Kendra Hart.

Following Executive Session, the meeting was called to order at 4:45 p.m.

Motion by Mike Smith to increase Janet Person's salary to \$55,000.00. Motion was seconded by Larry Green. Discussion about why this needs to happen and when. Decision to have this go into effect October 1. Motion passed.

Further discussion about giving Janet a bonus due to the extra tasks/duties she has had to handle with no Executive Director or bookkeeper. Motion made by Chris Stansbury to give Janet a \$1,500.00 bonus now and a \$1,500.00 at Christmas. Sally DiPalma seconded the motion. More discussion regarding amending the budget and with the salary increase and bonuses. Motion passed.

Julie made the motion to hire Regina Porras as a full-time local bookkeeper for \$19 per hour plus benefits. Second by Mike Smith. Discussion about her needing to give a 2 week notice therefore possible start date is October 5. Motion passed.

Brian Degner suggested cleaning out the tool room at the Center. It is a mess with lots of equipment and tools laying around. We need to take an inventory and possibly toss what does not work and what we do not need.

Al McLoughlin stated that we need to actively seek a Physical Camp Facilities Manager. He inquired whether anyone has possible candidates for this that are in the area of camp. Mike Smith mentioned that he spoke with Kirk Storey and he would be willing to help train and do an orientation for a new hire for this position.

Meeting adjourned at 5:11 p.m.

Submitted by Karen McCrary

Respectfully Submitted:

Approved By:

Karen McCrary, Secretary/Treasurer

Al McLoughlin, Chairman

Agenda Item: III – B.

Date: October 23, 2026

Subject: Consideration of the Financial Statements

**** ACTION ****

Background Information:

Texas Elks Children's Services, Inc., in accordance with all applied laws and Board requirements keeps a record of all financial transactions.

Item Addressed:

Financials are not available at this time as the bookkeeping position at TECSI has only recently been filled. Financials will be provided to all TECSI Directors and Alternates at a later date.

Recommended Action:

No Board action recommended at this time.

Agenda Item: III – C.

Date: October 23, 2026

Subject: TECSI Physical Plant Committee Update

**** ACTION ****

Background Information:

TECSI has a Physical Plant Committee.

Item Addressed:

TECSI Alternates, Carlos Camarillo & Sheri McCord will address and update the Board.

Recommended Action:

Board Information

Agenda: III – D.

Date: October 23, 2026

Subject: Grant Program 2025-2026 Update

** ACTION **

Background Information:

Texas Elks Children's Services, Inc. has a Grant Program for special needs children.

Item Addressed:

TECSI Assistant Director, Janet Person, will update the Board on number of grants submitted, processed and amount of grant allocations disbursed.

Recommended Action:

Board Information

Agenda Item: IV – A.

Date: October 23, 2026

Subject: Report from the TECSI Board Chairman

** INFORMATION **

Background Information:

At each regularly scheduled Texas Elks Children's Services, Inc. Board of Directors meeting; the TECSI Board Chairman will update the TECSI Board of Directors with information regarding the operation of the Texas Elks Children's Services, Inc.

Item Addressed:

The TECSI Chairman, Al McLoughlin will present his report to the Board.

Agenda Item: IV – B.

Date: October 23, 2026

Subject: Report from the TESCO Executive Director

** INFORMATION **

Background Information:

At each regularly scheduled Texas Elks Children's Services, Inc. Board of Directors Meeting, the Executive Director will update the TESCO Board of Directors with information concerning the state major project, summer camp and other matters of interest to the TESCO Board.

Item Addressed:

TESCO does not currently have an Executive Director on staff so no report will be given.

Agenda Item: IV – C.

Date: October 23, 2026

Subject: Report from the Texas Elks Endowment Inc.

** INFORMATION **

Background Information:

At each regularly scheduled Texas Elks Children's Services, Inc. Board of Directors meeting, the Board will receive a report concerning the activities of the TEEI Board of Directors.

Item Addressed:

The Texas Elks Endowment Inc. Report will be presented to the TECSI Board.

Agenda Item: IV –D.

Date: October 23, 2026

Subject: Remarks from the President

** INFORMATION **

Background Information:

At each regularly scheduled Texas Elks Children's Services, Inc. Board of Directors meeting; the Board will hear remarks from the TESA President.

Item Addressed:

President Billy Bryan will present his remarks to the Board.

Agenda Item: IV – E.

Date: October 23, 2026

Subject: Remarks from the President-Elect

** INFORMATION **

Background Information:

At each regularly scheduled Texas Elks Children's Services, Inc. Board of Directors meeting; the Board will hear remarks from the TESA President Elect.

Item Addressed:

President-Elect David Zint will present his remarks to the Board.

Agenda Item: IV - F.

Date: October 23, 2026

Subject: Remarks from Hon. John Atwood, TECSI Advisor/Special Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler

** INFORMATION **

Item Addressed:

Honorable John Atwood, TECSI Advisor/Special Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler will present his remarks to the Board.

Agenda Item: IV - G.

Date: October 23, 2026

Subject: Remarks from Hon. John Amen, PGER/State Sponsor

** INFORMATION **

Item Addressed:

Honorable John Amen, PGER/State Sponsor will present his remarks to the Board.

Agenda Item: IV – H.

Date: October 23, 2026

Subject: Check Registers

** INFORMATION **

Background Information:

In order to keep the Texas Elks Children's Services, Inc. Board of Directors fully informed concerning the activities of the Texas Elks Children's Services, Inc., the Board of Directors will be presented with an accounting of all checks written on the TECSI account for the months previous to the regular meeting. This accounting will be presented at each regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting.

Item Addressed:

Copies of the check register are not available at this time as the bookkeeping position at TECSI has only recently been filled. Copies of the check register will be provided to all TECSI Directors and Alternates at a later date.

Agenda Item: IV – I.

Date: October 23, 2026

Subject: Texas Elks Grants for Special Needs Children

** INFORMATION **

Background Information:

When the new state major project was approved, each Lodge was allocated money based on total donations and per capita of the membership of that Lodge.

Item Addressed:

The September 2026 report of the lodge allocations is not available at this time as the bookkeeping position at TECSI has only recently been filled.