

TENNESSEE CRAFT

Governing Board Meeting November 15, 2025, 10 am – 1 pm; Virtual MINUTES

Call to Order

Sue begins meeting at 10:01 am

Roll Call

Kim Waag

Board Members Present	Absent (Excused)
Sue Mulcahy , Governing Board President	Reneau Dubberley
JoEl Levy LoGiudice	Keith Biggs
Kelly Hider	Julie Boisseau-Craig
Dick Markus	Lucy Rymer
Paige Ward Moore	Audry Deal-McEver
Louise Nuttle	
Erin Anfinson	Absent (Unexcused)
Richard Dwyer	Donna L. Woodley
Donna Glassford	
Patrick Green	Staff
Jonathan Harwell-Dye	Kim Waag, Executive Director
Sherri Warner Hunter	Trish Tallon-Blanchard, Director of Programs and Community Engagement
Ashley Lusietto	
Denise Miller	
Pat Moody	
Ben Paty	
Audry Deal-McEver	
Patricia Schwarz	
Carlton Wilkinson	
Jennifer Gagliardi	

Member Guests:

Kathryn Jenkins

Micha Hannermann (2026 Board Member Nominee)

Chelsea Barranger Vasquez (2026 Board Member Nominee)

Twyla Lambert Clark

Sandra Lee Chandler (2026 Board Member Nominee)

Julie Cavalli

Presence of Quorum – Affirmative

10:00 - 10:07 **Call to Order & Roll Call, Presence of Quorum - Kim**

10:07 **Welcome – Sue**

10:07 **Approval of August 2025 Minutes**

Motion and Vote to accept August 2025 Minutes

JoEl Levy LoGiudice motions. Kelly Hider seconds.

All approved.

10:10 – 10:33 **Treasurers' Report - Louise**

Louise directs us to refer to Treasures Report, Statement of Financial Position as of September 30, 2025, and Activities Budget shared in the Board folder

General Summary Statement of Financial Position:

- Cash flow has increased since this time last year, so we are doing well with our cash flow.
- Total assets are up overall as of this time last year.
- Main point: Writing off the E-commerce site software created a after ordinary expense of \$30,000+. Eliminated from Asset.

General Summary of Activities Budget July 2025 – September 2025:

- Total Revenue: \$131,873 which is 27% of our budget and puts us where we need to be currently.
- **Question:** Board member asks about income/expenses from exhibitions being reflected in the activities budget.
Answer: This activities budget is a general summary of activities. There is a more itemized activities budget that is reviewed by the Finance Committee. It is encouraged by the President that if any board member wants to attend a Finance Committee meeting to get further information, those committee meetings are open to board members attending. Still there is a request for specific itemized budget to be available to the board prior to meetings.
- Continued discussion ensues.

General Summary of Quarterly Investment Report:

- Investment Gain, fund is doing well.

Audit:

- We had a good and clean audit, with no negative opinions.

Motion and vote to accept Financial Report and Quarterly Investment Report

Dick Markus motions. Sherri Warner Hunter seconds.
All Approved.

Motion and vote to accept Financial Audit Report and 990

Patrick Green motions. Jennifer Gagliardi seconds.
All Approved.

Motion and vote to accept Financial Audit Report and 990

JoEl Levy LoGiudice motions. Louise Nuttle seconds.
All Approved.

10:33 – 10:38

2026 New Board Member Slate – Sue

Sue directs board to view the New Board Member Slate that was shared with the Board Members prior to the Board Meeting for review.

- Chelsea Barranger Vasquez
- Sandra Lee Chandler
- Micha Hannemann
- Henry Walker

Motion and Vote to accept New Board Member Slate

Kelly Hider motions. Dick Markus seconds.
All approved.

10:39 – 10:40

Consent Agenda: Chapter and Committee Reports

Motion and vote to accept Chapter and Committee Reports.

Jennifer Gagliardi motions. Donna Glassford seconds to accept the reports as presented in the Google Drive board folder.
All approved.

10:41 – 10:50

Announcements – Sue

- Member exhibit is up at Columbia State, closing reception is December 19, 2025.
- Thanks was given to Board Members who are ending their board terms.
 - o Pat Moody

- Kelly Hider
 - Carlton Wilkinson
 - Reneau Dubberley
 - JoEl Levy LoGiudice
 - Donna Woodley
 - Richard Dwyer
- Annual Board Retreat planning in process. Location: MTSU Saturday, January 31 and Sunday, February 1; in-person.
 - Look out for a survey that Sue will send out to ask board members for strategic feedback about the organization which will be useful when updating our strategic plan. Details of the retreat weekend are forthcoming.

10:50 – 11:28 President’s Report – Sue

Sue directs us to review the President’s Report shared with the Board in the Board Folder.

Highlights:

- New Full-Time Staff Position: Job description for this position will be shared with the board and the board will be able to share it and make recommendations for the position.
- Ad Hoc Committee has been formed to redevelop our Strategic Plan.
- Fairs are continuing to be successful.

11:28 – 11:35 Executive Director’s Report

Kim directs us to review the Executive Director’s Report shared with the Board in the Board Folder.

Highlights:

- Spring Fair applications are going well. Application opened November 15, 2025.
- MAAP is moving forward and will begin soon.
- Board member points out a correction that the Member exhibition juror did get to select the award recipients in person but will not be able to present the awards at the reception.

11:35 – 11:51 Break

11:51 – 12:10 Strategic Plan Report Jonathan & Kelly

- Jonathan shares about the ad hoc committee was created to restructure and redevelop the Strategic Plan.

- Kelly discusses how this committee started by streamlining our current Strategic Plan to simplify a document that was 28 pages long to 5 pages long to make it more concise with less redundancy. She also discussed how she also removed the action items that created unnecessary length to the document that was public facing. The action items are still included in the internal more detailed strategic plan, but not in the public facing document.
- Kelly reiterates that this simplified Strategic Plan is not our official Strategic Plan because it would need to be voted on and approved by the board.
- Jonathan shares that this new document is just a working plan that will help us a board when we meet at the February Retreat to refine and define our strategic plan for FY2027 to meet the current conditions we face today.
- Jonathan opens discussion for questions or comments.
 - o Many positive comments from the board on the work of this committee.
 - o Kelly requests for the updated working plan to made available to the board for review in the board folder. Sue said that this can be made available in the board folder.
 - o At the Board Retreat in February, Jonathan will facilitate focus groups to work on Strategic Plan so that our organization can be the best it can be for Tennessee craft artists.

12:10 – 12:21 Committee and Chapter Reports

Sue directs board to review committee and chapter reports as listed in the board folder. She offers the Committee Chairs and Chapter Representatives to add anything to their reports that was not covered in their report.

- **Professional Development Committee (Kelly Hider):** Addendum/Correction: Summer Study Scholarships will open December 1 rather than November 17.
- **South Chapter (Denise Miller):** On November 14 - short meeting at the Frame Gallery followed by a reception celebrating our chapter's 30th anniversary.

12:21 – 12:42 New Business

- Restructuring of the Executive Meeting which will include the removal of the “co” positions that we have had for “Co-VP” and “Co-Treasurer”
- Review President Punch List at the end of her President Report.
 - o A few of the items on the Punch List include:
 - Artist Directory back up and running
 - Reinstate Lunch & Learn Series
 - Make efforts to recruit new members to TN Craft

- Sue will send this punch list out to the board to ask for feedback. Be on the lookout in your emails for that email from Sue.
- Do we need to create a future members committee to help recruit new members?
 - Discussion ensues about how to continue to expand our member base to new generation.

12:46 pm

Adjourn

Motion and vote to adjourn.

Kelly Hider motions. Patrick Green seconds.

All approved.

Next scheduled Governing Board Meeting – Board Retreat:

January 31 – February 1, 2026, at MTSU, Murfreesboro, TN – In person

Minutes prepared by:

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Submitted: November 15, 2025

Governing Board President: Sue Mulcahy

