

Truxton Academy Charter School

Regular Board Meeting August 10, 2026

Notice was provided on our website, www.truxtonacademy.org on August 3, 2026.

Public Hearing

A public hearing was opened at 6:32 p.m. with regards to the 206-2027 SAVE Plan for the Truxton Academy Charter School.

There was no public present, therefore, the public hearing was closed at 6:33 p.m.

Call to order: The meeting was called to order by President Stuart Young at 6:34 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

Members Present: Stuart Young, , Tom Brown, Carol Woodhouse, Carol Eldred
Jeff Perry and Aaron Kinney

Members Excused: Korinne L'Hommedieu, Krysta Austen

Others present: Patty Dawson, Dr. Heather Collier, Kim Bull
Recording Secretary arrived at 6:55 p.m. The meeting was recorded until that time.

Community Comments: None

Approval of Minutes: The July 13, 2026 meeting minutes were approved as written.

School Report:

Principal Dr. Heather Collier reported:

- The planned three "Think Tank" days were held. Staff requested a fourth day as they felt they were not quite finished with what they were trying to accomplish. All but two staff returned for that fourth day. In the "Think Tank" days, team projects were discussed, TeamTime which pairs up two staff members from mixed grades, family pods, marketing, recruiting, and expectations were also discussed. There is a strong foundation with the staff with greenhouse and gardening expertise as well.
- Staff have been in the building setting up their classrooms.
- Dr. Collier stressed the need to provide SUNY data to show growth. For testing purposes, students who opt out are usually the ones who would boost the proficiency rating.

Committee Reports

Academic Committee - Jeff Perry reported that the committee met on August 3, 2026

- State exam scores should be available by the end of the month.
- Bringing in new staff for a broad spectrum of support for students.
- Bringing back CKLA to boost reading.
- Strengthening RtII. Kim and Doris, with a broad spectrum of expertise, will be facilitating RTI to help with consistency.
- Would like to target student behavior and classroom management early in the school year. New teachers are being trained as well as expectations shared with the families.
- There will be weekly monitoring in RTI as well as monitoring benchmarks and interventions.

Financial Committee - Tom Brown reported that the committee met on August 4, 2026

- The notes from the meeting last week were emailed to all Board members.
- Tuition billing is current.
- ESSA application for 2026-2027 is due this month.
- June 2026 financials were emailed to all Board members.

Operations Committee - Tom Brown reported that the committee met on August 4, 2026.

- The notes from the meeting were emailed to all Board members.

Action Item: A motion was made by Tom Brown, seconded by Jeff Perry to renew the regular insurance for the 2026-2027 school year. All in favor. Carried.

- Discussion was held on whether to purchase cybersecurity insurance. It was the consensus of the Board that there was no need for cybersecurity insurance at this time.

All committee reports were approved by the President as submitted.

Old Business

Action Item: A motion was made to approve the final draft of the 2026-2027 SAVE Plan as written. Motion was made by Carol Woodhouse, seconded by Jeff Perry. All in favor. Carried

Action Item: A motion was made to approve the 2026-2027 Family Handbook as written. The motion was made by Jeff Perry, seconded by Carol Eldred. All in favor. Carried.

Action Item: A motion was made to approve the 2026-2027 Employee Handbook as written. The motion was made by Carol Woodhouse, seconded by Aaron Kinney. All in favor. Carried.

New Business

Action Item: A motion was made by Tom Brown, seconded by Aaron Kinney to update the school's credit card users. Remove Scott Anderson, card ending 7674, and Korinne L'Hommedieu, card ending 4218, and add Heather Collier and Krysta Austen, respectively. All in favor. Carried.

Action Item: A motion was made by Jeff Perry, seconded by Carol Eldred to remove Korinne L'Hommedieu and add Krysta Austen as a check signor on the General, Grant Fund, Payroll, and School Meal bank accounts held at First National Bank of Dryden. All in favor. Carried.

Community Events

- The events listed on the meeting agenda were reviewed.
- Patty Dawson will be attending and speaking at the Virgil Community Center Farm Days on Saturday August 15.
- Two weeks of Professional Development will be held from August 24, 2026 - September 4, 2026
- Due to the Labor Day holiday, the next Academic Committee will be held on August 31, 2026.

Adjournment

Carol Woodhouse made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 p.m., seconded by Jeff Perry. All in favor. Carried.

The next meeting of the Truxton Academy Charter School's Board of Trustees will be held at 6:30 p.m. at the school on September 14, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Dawson

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