



TO: Tennessee Public Charter School Commission

FROM: Tess Stovall, Executive Director, Tennessee Public Charter School Commission

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SUBJECT: Executive Director Updates

### Commissioner Confirmation

- Tom Marino was appointed in late September by Governor Lee to the vacancy on the Commission.
- Mr. Marino will go through confirmation with the Tennessee General Assembly during this session.

### Sunset Hearing

- The Commission as an agency has a sunset date of June 30, 2026, and Commission Chair Richards and Commission staff participated in a sunset hearing on October 15, 2025 with the Education, Health, and General Welfare Subcommittee of the Joint Government Operations Committee.
- The Commission will have sunset hearings during this session of the General Assembly with the Senate and House Government Operations Committees.

### 2026 Meeting Dates

- We are scheduled for the following quarterly meetings in 2026.
  - April 16-17, 2026 (Nashville)
    - Replication Application
    - Annual Open Meeting/Conflict of Interest Training
  - July 23-24, 2026 (Knoxville)
    - Policy Updates from Legislative Session
    - New Start Appeal Preparation
  - October 8-9, 2026 (Nashville)
    - New Start Appeals

### Legislative Updates

- H. Pendergrass will provide brief legislative updates to the Commission.