



TO: Tennessee Public Charter School Commission

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SUBJECT: Executive Director Updates

Commissioner Confirmation

- Tom Marino was confirmed by the General Assembly to complete the five-year term for former Commissioner Tutor. His term will expire in June 2027.

Sunset Hearing

- The Commission's sunset bill was approved by the General Assembly, and the Commission was extended for four years.

2026 Meeting Dates

- We are scheduled for the following quarterly meetings in 2026.
 - July 23-24, 2026 (Knoxville)
 - Policy Updates from Legislative Session
 - New Start Appeal Preparation
 - October 8-9, 2026 (Nashville)
 - New Start Appeals

2027 Meeting Dates

- Prior to the July 2026 meeting, we will poll Commissioners regarding possible meeting dates for 2027. We will evaluate dates based on alignment with statutory deadlines and the ability to meet quorum requirements. Please look out for a poll with possible dates, and the 2027 dates will be brought to the July 2026 meeting for approval.

Overview of Commission Trainings for Schools

- We have completed our first round of Commission trainings for schools for SY25-26. While many of the trainings occurred in the past, we streamlined the process this year.
- We are using feedback from schools and staff to plan our training schedule for SY26-27, which will include some in-person training over the summer.
- Most of these trainings focus on the Commission's role as a LEA/district and provide needed technical assistance and training to schools similar to other districts.
- Attached is a high-level summary of the planned SY26-27 trainings for schools.