



**Utopian Academy for the Arts
Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 28, 2024**

Document Preparation Information

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Meeting Information

Date	Start Time	Teleconference Details
March 28, 2024	6:00 pm	(646) 558-8656, Access Code 5157735608

Meeting Objectives:
Board Meeting

Called by:	Email Address	Phone
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Attendees

Joshua Menifee, Chairman
Steven Garner, Governance Board CFO
Stephany Walls, Member
Christopher Copeland, Member
Terance Madden, Member
Dr. Aquanette Salter, Member
Dr. Artesius Miller, Founder and CEO
Ms. Pamela Dingle, Executive Director
Dr. Marcus Broadhead, Director of New School Design and Development
Mr. Gregory Leaphart, Director of Network Operations
Mrs. Elisha Byers, Director of Strategic Initiatives
Mrs. Ebonne Craft, Director of Arts Education
Ms. Judy Richmond, Executive Assistant to the CEO and Founder

Agenda

<p>Call To Order</p> <p>Approval of Agenda</p> <p>Approval of Board Minutes February 29, 2024 (Board Meeting)</p> <p>Public Participation</p>	<p>Call to Order: 6:04pm</p> <p>Motion to approve the agenda by Steven Garner Second: Christopher Copeland</p> <p>Motion to accept minutes as read by Steven Garner Second: Terance Madden</p> <p>There was no public participation at this meeting</p>	<p>Vote: 5-0 <i>*Vote does not include Dr. Aquanette Salter</i></p> <p>Vote: 5-0 <i>*Vote does not include Dr. Aquanette Salter</i></p>
<p><u>Action Agenda</u></p> <p>Approval of 2024 CSP Grant Award</p> <p>Review of Various Policies -Open Records and Open Meetings</p> <p>-Conflict of Interest, Governing Board</p> <p>-Conflict of Interest, Staff</p>	<p>Utopian Academy for the Arts at Trilith has been awarded a CSP State Entity subgrant award (FAIN# S282A220006) in the amount of \$1,250,000.00 by the State Charter Schools Foundation of Georgia (SCSF) to support the (opening and preparation for the operation of a new charter school in Georgia. The Utopian Academy for the Arts governing board accepts this federal subgrant with the conditions and requirements set forth in the CSP Subgrant Agreement with the SCSF.</p> <p>Motion to accept the federal subgrant with the conditions and requirements set forth in the CSP Subgrant Agreement with the SCSF by Joshua Menifee Second: Steven Garner</p> <p>Motion to accept the Open Records Policy and Open Meetings draft review led by Executive Director Pamela Dingle by Joshua Menifee Second: Christopher Copeland</p> <p>Motion to accept the Governance Board Conflict of Interest Policy draft review led by Executive Director Pamela Dingle by Joshua Menifee Second: Christopher Copeland</p> <p>Motion to accept the Faculty & Staff Conflict of Interest Policy draft review led by Executive Director Pamela Dingle by Joshua Menifee Second: Christopher Copeland</p>	<p>Vote: 5-0 <i>*Vote does not include Terance Madden</i></p> <p>Vote: 5-0 <i>*Vote does not include Terance Madden</i></p> <p>Vote: 5-0 <i>*Vote does not include Terance Madden</i></p> <p>Vote: 5-0 <i>Vote does not include Terance Madden</i></p>

<u>Recommendations from Committee Meetings</u>		
Academic Committee	<p>Motion to accept the Elementary School academic report by Stephany Walls Second: Joshua Menifee</p> <p>Motion to accept the Ellenwood Middle School academic report by Stephany Walls Second: Joshua Menifee</p> <p>Motion to accept the Trilith Middle School academic report by Stephany Walls Second: Joshua Menifee</p> <p>Motion to accept the High School academic report by Stephany Walls Second: Joshua Menifee</p>	<p>Vote: 5-0 <i>Vote does not include Terance Madden</i></p> <p>Vote: 5-0 <i>Vote does not include Terance Madden</i></p> <p>Vote: 5-0 <i>Vote does not include Terance Madden</i></p> <p>Vote: 5-0 <i>Vote does not include Terance Madden</i></p>
Finance and Fundraising	<p>Motion to accept recommendations from Finance and Fundraising Committee by Steven Garner Second: Joshua Menifee</p>	<p>Vote: 5-0 <i>Vote does not include Terance Madden</i></p>
Executive Session	There were no matters to discuss in Executive Session	
Recommendations from Executive Session	There were no recommendations from Executive Session	
Adjournment	<p>Motion to adjourn meeting by Stephany Walls Second: Dr. Aquanette Salter Time: 7:43pm *Next board meeting is scheduled for 6:00 pm on April 25, 2024.</p>	<p>Vote: 5-0 <i>Vote does not include Terance Madden</i></p>