



UTOPIAN
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Utopian Academy for the Arts
Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, May 26, 2022

Document Preparation Information

Prepared by
Dr. Artesius Miller, Recording Secretary

Meeting Information

| Date | Start Time | Teleconference Details |
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| May 26, 2022 | 6:00 PM | (646) 558-8656, Access Code 9484538036 |

Meeting Objectives:
Board Meeting

| Called by: | Email Address | Phone |
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| Joshua Menifee, Board Chair | joshua.menifee@utopianacademy.com | 470-446-1070 office |

Meeting Attendees

Joshua Menifee, Chair
Reginald Colbert, Vice Chair
Steven Garner, Governance Board CFO
Jamil Jude, Member
Stephany Walls, Member
Dr. Artesius Miller, Executive Director
Dale Smith, Network CFO
Dr. Ron Boykins, Middle School Principal
Dr. Selina Walton, Elementary School Principal
Dr. Bryan Reese, High School Principal
Dr. Johanna Strong, Director of Curriculum and Instruction
Judy Richmond, Executive Assistant to the Executive Director



Agenda

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| Call To Order | Call to Order: 6:11pm | |
| Approval of Agenda | Motion to approve agenda by Steven Garner Second: Stephany Walls | Vote: 4-0 <i>*Vote does not include Reginald Colbert</i> |
| Approval of Minutes- April 21, 2022 | Motion to accept minutes by Steven Garner Second: Stephany Walls | Vote: 4-0 <i>*Vote does not include Reginald Colbert</i> |
| Public Participation | There was no public participation at this meeting | |
| Academic Report-UAFA Elementary | Academic report was presented by Dr. Selina Walton Motion to accept academic report by Jamil Jude Second: Stephany Walls | Vote: 5-0 (<i>unanimous</i>) |
| Academic Report-UAFA Middle | Academic report was presented by Dr. Ron Boykins Motion to accept academic report by Reginald Colbert Second: Stephany Walls | Vote: 4-0 <i>*Vote does not include Jamil Jude</i> |
| Academic Report- UAFA High | Academic report was presented by Dr. Bryan Reese. Motion to accept academic report by Stephany Walls Second: Steven Garner | Vote: 5-0 (<i>unanimous</i>) |
| Network Academic Report | Motion to accept the Network Report presented by Dr. Johanna Strong by Stephany Walls Second: Reginald Colbert | Vote: 5-0 (<i>unanimous</i>) |
| Financial Report | Comments from financial committee were shared by CFO Steven Garner. Motion to (1) accept the Financial Report based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee, and (2) to establish a threshold of recovery of \$340,000, of which those funds will be transitioned to a stable fixed income asset | Vote: 4-0 <i>*Reginald Colbert abstained</i> |



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| <p>Executive Director's Report Dr. Artesius Miller</p> | <p>and for the finance committee to explore additional financial investment firm options by Steven Garner Second Stephany Walls</p> <p>Executive Director's Report presented by Dr. Artesius Miller Motion to accept the Executive Director's Report by Reginald Colbert Second Steven Garner</p> | <p>Vote: 5-0 (<i>unanimous</i>)</p> |
| <p><u>Public Hearing</u> FY23 Drafted Fiscal Operating Budgets</p> <p><u>Action Agenda</u> Conflict of Interest Form</p> | <p>FY23 drafted budgets for the organization and each grade level academy were presented for public review and comment.</p> <p>Dr. Miller & Board Chairman Meniffee discussed the timeline for completion of the conflict-of-interest forms.</p> | <p>No action taken</p> <p>No action taken</p> |
| <p>Executive Session</p> | <p>No matters to discuss in Executive Session</p> | |
| <p>Recommendations from Executive Session</p> | <p>No matters to discuss in Executive Session</p> | |
| <p>Adjournment</p> | <p>Motion to adjourn meeting by Second: Time: 8:21pm *Next board meeting is scheduled for 6:00 pm on June 23, 2022</p> | <p>Vote: 5-0 (<i>unanimous</i>)</p> |