



UTOPIAN
ACADEMY FOR THE ARTS
CHARTER SCHOOL NETWORK

Mission Statement: Through a structured and supportive environment, Utopian Academy for the Arts will develop students' artistic and academic gifts to enter and to succeed in high school and eventually enroll in a college, university, or specialty school of their choice.

**Utopian Academy for the Arts
Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, October 26, 2023**

Document Preparation Information

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Meeting Information

Date	Start Time	Teleconference Details
October 26, 2023	6:00 pm	(646) 558-8656, Access Code 5157735608

Meeting Objectives:
Board Meeting

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

Attendees

Joshua Menifee, Chair
Reginald Colbert Vice-Chair
Steven Garner, Governance Board CFO
Stephany Walls, Member
Gavin McGuire, Member
Christopher Copeland, Member
Dr. Aquanette Salter, Member
Dr. Artesius Miller, Founder and CEO
Pamela Dingle, Executive Director
Dale Smith, Network CFO
Dr. Selina Walton, Elementary School Principal
Dr. Johanna Strong, Middle School Principal
Mr. Kyle Kenan, High School Principal
Dr. Marcus Broadhead, Network, Director of New School Design and Development
Ebonne Craft, Director of Arts Education
Judy Richmond, Executive Assistant to the CEO and Founder

Agenda

Call To Order	Call to Order: 6:04 pm	
Approval of Agenda	Motion to approve the agenda was moved by Steven Garner Second: Joshua Meniffee	Vote: 7-0 Unanimous
Approval of Board Minutes August September 28, 2023 (Board Meeting)	Motion to accept minutes as read by Steven Garner with note to strike executive session. Second: Stephany Walls	Vote: 7-0 Unanimous
Public Participation	There was no public participation at this meeting	
<u>Recommendations from Committee Meetings</u>		
Academic Committee	Motion to accept the Elementary School academic report by Stephany Walls Second: Joshua Meniffee	Vote: 7-0 Unanimous
	Motion to accept the Ellenwood Middle School academic report by Stephany Walls Second: Joshua Meniffee	Vote: 7-0 Unanimous
	Motion to accept the Trilith Middle School academic report by Stephany Walls Second: Joshua Meniffee	Vote: 7-0 Unanimous
	Motion to accept from the High School academic report by Stephany Walls Second: Joshua Meniffee	Vote: 7-0 Unanimous
Finance and Fundraising Committee	Motion to accept recommendations and from Finance and Fundraising Committee by Steven Garner Second: Gavin McGuire	Vote: 5-0 <i>Vote does not include Christopher Copeland and Reginald Colbert</i>
	Motion to accept Audit report prepared by CPA Bambo Sonaike by Joshua Meniffee Second: Steven Garner	Vote: 5-0 <i>Vote does not include Christopher Copeland and Reginald Colbert</i>
<u>Report Agenda</u> Executive Director's Report	Motion to accept Report by Executive Director by Joshua Meniffee Second: Steven Garner	Vote: 5-0 <i>Vote does not include Christopher Copeland and Reginald Colbert</i>
Executive Session	There were no matters to discuss in Executive Session	No action Taken

Recommendations from Executive Session	There were no recommendations from Executive Session	
Adjournment	Motion to adjourn meeting by Stephany Walls Second: Steven Garner Time: 7:33 *Next board meeting is scheduled for 6:00 pm on November 30, 2023	Vote: 5-0 <i>Vote does not include Christopher Copeland and Reginald Colbert</i>