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**Utopian Academy for the Arts  
Board Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, August 22, 2024**

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**Document Preparation Information**

**Prepared by**  
Dr. Artesius Miller, Recording Secretary

**Meeting Information**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Start Time</b>	<b>Teleconference Details</b>
August 22, 2024	6:00pm	646) 558-8656, Access Code 5157735608

**Meeting Objectives:**  
Board Meeting

<b>Called by:</b>	<b>Email Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>
Joshua Menifee, Board Chair	<a href="mailto:joshua.menifee@utopianacademy.com">joshua.menifee@utopianacademy.com</a>	(470) 446-1070 Office

**Attendees**

Joshua Menifee, Chairman  
Reginald Colbert, Vice Chairman  
Steven Garner, Governance Board CFO  
Gavin McGuire, Member  
Christopher Copeland, Member  
Dr. Artesius Miller, Founder and CEO  
Mr. Dale Smith, Chief Financial Officer  
Dr. Selina Walon, Elementary School Principal  
Mr. Travis Joshua, Ellenwood Middle School Principal  
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

Call To Order	Call to Order: 6:06 pm	
Approval of Agenda	Motion to approve the agenda by Christopher Copeland Second: Gavin McGuire	Vote: 4-0 <i>*Vote did not include Reginald Colbert</i>
Approval of Board Minutes June 27, 2024 (Board Meeting)	Motion to accept minutes as read by Gavin McGuire Second: Steven Garner	Vote: 5-0 <i>Unanimous</i>
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 Joshua Meniffee Second: Reginald Colbert	Vote: 5-0 <i>Unanimous</i>
	Motion to accept the Ellenwood Middle School academic report by Joshus Meniffee Second: Reginald Colbert	Vote: 5-0 <i>Unanimous</i>
	Motion to accept the Trilith Middle School academic report by Joshua Meniffee Second: Reginald Colbert	Vote: 5-0 <i>Unanimous</i>
	Motion to accept the High School academic report by Joshua Meniffee Second: Reginald Colbert	Vote: 5-0 <i>Unanimous</i>
<u>Report Agenda</u> Financial Report	Motion to accept the July 2024 Financial Report as presented by CFO Dale Smith by Steven Garner Second: Joshua Meniffee	Vote: 4-0 <i>*Vote did not include Reginald Colbert</i>
<u>Action Agenda</u> FY25 Governance Board Membership Slate	Item tabled for September 26 <sup>th</sup> Meeting	Vote: No Vote Taken
Executive Session	There were no matters to discuss in Executive Session.	
Recommendations from Executive Session	There were no recommendations from Executive Session.	
Adjournment	Motion to adjourn meeting by Steven Garner Second: Joshua Meniffee Time: 7:36 pm <i>*Next board meeting is scheduled for 6:00 pm on September 26, 2024.</i>	Vote: 3-0 <i>*Vote did not include Christopher Copeland and Reginald Colbert</i>