



# 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.

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## Utopian Academy for the Arts Board Meeting Minutes Thursday, March 20, 2025

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### Document Preparation Information

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

### Meeting Information

Date	Start Time	Teleconference Details
March 20, 2025	6:00 pm	(646) 558-8656, Access Code 5157735608

**Meeting Objectives:**  
Board Meeting

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

### Attendees

Mr. Joshua Menifee, Governance Board Chair  
Mr. Steven Garner, Governance Board CFO  
Mrs. Stephany Walls, Member  
Mr. Terance Madden, Member  
Dr. Aquanette Salter, Member  
Dr. Artesius Miller, Founder and CEO  
Mr. Dale Smith, Chief Financial Officer  
Ms. Pamela Dingle, Executive Director  
Mr. Greg Leaphart, Director of Network Operations  
Mrs. Elisha Byers, Director of Strategic Initiatives  
Dr. Marcus Broadhead, Director of New School Design & Development  
Dr. Selina Walton, Elementary School Principal  
Mr. Travis Joshua, Ellenwood Middle School Principal  
Mr. Kyle Kenan, Trilith Middle School Principal

### Agenda

Call To Order	Call to Order: 6:07 pm	
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Approval of Agenda	Motion to approve the agenda by Steven Garner Second: Joshua Meniffee	Vote: 4-0 <i>Unanimous</i> <i>*Vote does not include Dr. Aquanette Salter</i>
Approval of Board Minutes February 27, 2025 (Board Meeting)	Motion to accept minutes as read by Stephany Walls Second: Joshua Meniffee	Vote: 4-0 <i>Unanimous</i> <i>*Vote does not include Dr. Aquanette Salter</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 Stephany Walls Second: Steven Garner	Vote: 5-0 <i>Unanimous</i>
	Motion to accept the Ellenwood Middle School academic report by Stephany Walls Second: Steven Garner	Vote: 5-0 <i>Unanimous</i>
	Motion to accept the Trilith Middle School academic report by Stephany Walls Second: Steven Garner	Vote: 4-0 <i>Unanimous</i> <i>*Vote does not include Dr. Aquanette Salter</i>
	Motion to accept the High School academic report by Stephany Walls Second: Joshua Meniffee	Vote: 4-0 <i>Unanimous</i> <i>*Vote does not include Dr. Aquanette Salter</i>
Fundraising and Finance Committee	Financial report was presented by Dale Smith and Fundraising report was presented by Mrs. Elisha Byers. Motion to accept the fundraising and finance report by Stephany Walls Second: Joshua Meniffee	Vote: 4-0 <i>Unanimous</i> <i>*Vote does not include Dr. Aquanette Salter</i>
Executive Director's Updates	Motion to accept the Executive Director's Updates by Joshua Meniffee Second: Stephany Walls	Vote: 4-0 <i>Unanimous</i> <i>*Vote does not include Dr. Aquanette Salter</i>

Executive Session	There were no matters to discuss in Executive Session	
Recommendations from Executive Session		
Adjournment	Motion to adjourn meeting by Steven Garner Second: Stephany Walls Time: 8:03 pm *Next board meeting is scheduled for 6:00 pm on April 17, 2025	Vote: 5-0 <i>Unanimous</i>