



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, August 28, 2025

Document Preparation Information

Prepared by
Dr. Artesius Miller, Recording Secretary

Meeting Information

Date	Start Time	Teleconference Details
August 28, 2025	6:00 pm	(646) 558-8656, Access Code 82241821532

Meeting Objectives:
Board Meeting

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

Attendees

Mr. Joshua Menifee, Governance Board Chair
Mr. Reginald Colbert, Governance Board Vice Chair
Mr. Steven Garner, Governance Board CFO
Mrs. Stephany Walls, Member
Mr. Christopher Copeland, Member
Mr. Gavin McGuire, Member
Dr. Artesius Miller, Founder and CEO
Mr. Dale Smith, Chief Financial Officer
Ms. Pamela Dingle, Executive Director
Mrs. Elisha Byers, Director of Strategic Initiatives
Dr. Selina Walton, Elementary Principal
Dr. Marcus Broadhead, Director of New School Design & Development
Mrs. Benita Edwards, Elementary Business Manager

Agenda

Call To Order	Call to Order: 6:02 pm	
Approval of Agenda	Motion to approve the agenda by Christopher Copeland Second: Stephany Walls	Vote: 5-0 <i>Unanimous</i>

Approval of Board Minutes June 12, 2025 (Board Meeting)	Motion to accept minutes as read by Stephany Walls Second: Christopher Copeland	Vote: 5-0 <i>Unanimous</i>
Public Participation	There was no public participation at this meeting	

<u>Action Agenda</u> Elementary Charter Contract-Signature Authorization	Motion to authorize the signature of Dr. Miller for the Elementary Charter Contract by Joshua Menifee Second: Reginald Colbert	Vote: 5-0 <i>Unanimous</i>
<u>Recommendations from Committee Meetings</u>		
Academic Committee	Motion to accept the Elementary School academic report by Stephany Walls Second: Reginald Colbert	Vote: 5-0 <i>Unanimous</i>
	Motion to accept the Ellenwood Middle School academic report by Stephany Walls Second: Christopher Copeland	Vote: 5-0 <i>Unanimous</i>
	Motion to accept the Trilith Middle School academic report by Stephany Walls Second: Reginald Colbert	Vote: 5-0 <i>Unanimous</i>
	Motion to accept the High School academic report by Stephany Walls Second: Reginald Colbert	Vote: 5-0 <i>Unanimous</i>
Fundraising and Finance Committee	Financial report was presented by Dale Smith. Motion to accept the finance report by Steven Garner Second: Joshua Menifee	Vote: 5-0 <i>Unanimous</i>
Executive Session	There were no matters to discuss in Executive Session	
Recommendations from Executive Session		
Announcements Adjournment	Motion to adjourn meeting by Joshua Menifee Second: Steven Garner Time: 7:38 pm	Vote: 5-0 <i>Unanimous</i>

	*Next board meeting is scheduled for 6:00 pm on October 16, 2025	
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