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**Utopian Academy for the Arts  
Board Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, April 23, 2026**

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**Document Preparation Information**

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

**Meeting Information**

<b>Date:</b> April 23, 2026	<b>Start Time:</b> 6:00 pm	<b>Teleconference Details:</b> (646) 558-8656, Access Code 82241821532 <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82241821532">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82241821532</a>
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**Meeting Objectives:**  
Monthly Board Meeting

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

Mr. Joshua Menifee, Governance Board Chair Mr. Reginald Colbert, Governance Board Vice Chair Mr. Steven Garner, Governance Board CFO Dr. Aquanette Salter, Board Member Mrs. Stephany Walls, Board Member Mr. Chris Copeland, Board Member	Dr. Artesius Miller, CEO Mr. Dale Smith, CFO Ms. Pamela Dingle, Executive Director Mrs. Ebonne Craft, Director of Arts Mrs. Elisha Byers, Director of Strategic Initiatives Dr. Selina Walton, Elementary School Principal Mr. Travis Joshua, Middle School Principal
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**Agenda**

Call To Order	Call to Order: 6:00pm	
Approval of Agenda	Motion to approve the agenda by Stephany Walls Second: Reginald Colbert	Vote: 6-0 <i>Unanimous</i>
Approval of Board Minutes March 12, 2026 (Board Meeting)	Motion to accept minutes as read by Steven Garner Second: Reginald Colbert	Vote: 6-0 <i>Unanimous</i>

Public Participation	There was no public participation at this meeting	
<u>Recommendations from Committee Meetings</u>		
Academic Committee	Academic Committee Members Ms. Walls, Mr. Colbert, and Dr. Salter shared the highlights for each school with the board.  No Motions taken.	Vote: 6-0 <i>Unanimous</i>
Financial and Fundraising Committee	Board CFO Steven Garner led discussions on current network and school financials, pending philanthropic support from local private foundation, and the financial report to be submitted to GaDOE.	
Executive Director's Report	Ms. Dingle presented and reviewed the report.	
Executive Session	There were no matters to discuss in Executive Session	
Recommendations from Executive Session		
Announcements Adjournment	The next Governance Board Meeting will be on Thursday, May 28, 2026, at 6:00pm.  Motion to adjourn meeting by Reginald Colbert Second: Steven Garner  Meeting adjourned by Joshua Meniffee Time: 7:29 pm	Vote: 6-0 <i>Unanimous</i>