



**Utopian Academy for the Arts  
Board Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, September 24, 2026**

**Document Preparation Information**

**Prepared by:**

Dr. Artesius Miller, Recording Secretary

**Meeting Information**

**Date:**

September 24, 2026

**Start Time:**

6:00 pm

**Teleconference Details:**

(646-558-8656)

Access Code 82241821532

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82241821532>

**Meeting Objectives:**

Monthly Board Meeting

**Called by:**

Joshua Meniffee, Board Chair

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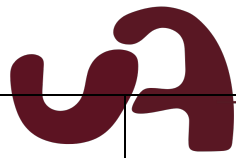
**Attendees**

Mr. Joshua Meniffee, Governance Board Chair  
Mr. Steven Garner, Governance Board CFO  
Mrs. Stephany Walls, Board Member  
Mr. Gavin McGuire, Board Member  
Dr. Artesius Miller, Founder & CEO  
Mr. Dale Smith, CFO  
Ms. Pamela Dingle, Executive Director

Dr. Selina Walton, Elementary School Principal  
Mrs. Khadijah Turner, High School Principal  
Mrs. Ebonne Craft, Director of Arts

**Agenda**

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| Call To Order                                                   | Call to Order: 6:02 pm                                                     |                               |
| Approval of Agenda                                              | Motion to approve the agenda by Stephany Walls<br>Second: Steven Garner    | Vote: 4-0<br><i>Unanimous</i> |
| Approval of Board Minutes<br>August 27, 2026 (Board<br>Meeting) | Motion to accept minutes as read by Steven Garner<br>Second: Gavin McGuire | Vote: 4-0<br><i>Unanimous</i> |
| Public Participation                                            | There was no public participation at this meeting                          |                               |
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## CHARTER SCHOOL NETWORK

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| <u>Action Items</u><br>Title IX Grievance Procedures for Equitable Resolution of Complaints for Sexual Discrimination | Motion to adopt Title IX Grievance Procedures for Equitable Resolution of Complaints for Sexual Discrimination, with noted revision by Joshua Meniffee<br>Second Steven Garner | Vote: 4-0<br><i>Unanimous</i> |
| Volunteer Policy                                                                                                      | Motion to adopt the revised Volunteer Policy as presented by Joshua Meniffee<br>Second Steven Garner                                                                           | Vote: 4-0<br><i>Unanimous</i> |
| <u>Recommendations from Committee Meetings</u>                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                |                               |
| Academic Committee                                                                                                    | Academic Committee Member Mrs. Walls shared the highlights for each school with the board.                                                                                     | No action taken.              |
| Financial and Fundraising Committee                                                                                   | Steven Garner and Dale Smith presented the current financials and highlights.                                                                                                  | No action taken.              |
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| Executive Director's Report                                                                                           | Ms. Dingle presented and reviewed the report.                                                                                                                                  |                               |
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| Executive Session                                                                                                     | There were no matters to discuss in Executive Session                                                                                                                          |                               |
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| Recommendations from Executive Session                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                |                               |
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| Announcements<br>Adjournment                                                                                          | The next Governance Board Meeting will be on Thursday, October 29, 2026, at 6:00pm.<br><br>Meeting adjourned by Joshua Meniffee<br>Time: 7:34 pm                               |                               |