

UtahARTS Academy

15 February 2022 | 5PM | 1091 N. Bluff, St George | Zoom

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Nelson Hafen, Aubrey Johnson, Josh Little, Chelsea Bergeron, Sadie Best, Byan Watabe, *[Timothy Cooper](#) (*Virtual Attendance)

OTHERS PRESENT: Drew Williams (ED UAA), Kent Brown (CFO/HR Director of UAA), Kyle Lewis (AD UAA), Chris Andrus (Dir. of Support Services UAA), Nate Keith (Dean of Students UAA), Madison Hone (UAA Student Body President 2021-2022), Sarah McNaughton (UAA Counselor), John Sato (Foundation Board Chair), Autumn Best (UAA Alumni Pres), Steven Stradley (UAA Faculty), Jennifer Dail (UAA Faculty), Mckay Hansen (Student), Bradley Best (Student), Blake Foster (Student), Claira Anoi (Student), Tim Baker (Student), Aidan Lamontagne (Student), Felicity Farnsworth (Student), Mckenna Hansen (Student), Jacqueline Stradley (Student), Olivia Roberts (Student), Lauralynn Clark (Student)

Appointment of Interim Board Chair:

- Motion to appoint Nelson Hafen UAA Interim board chair Josh Little, second Bryan Watabe, approved unanimously. In favor: Nelson Hafen, Aubrey Johnson, Josh Little, Chelsea Bergeron, Sadie Best, - Opposed: NONE

Approval of 14 December 2021 Minutes:

- Motion to approve minutes Aubrey Johnson, Second Sadie Best. December 14 minutes approved unanimously. In favor: Nelson Hafen, Aubrey Johnson, Josh Little, Chelsea Bergeron, Sadie Best, Timothy Cooper - Opposed: NONE ([Timothy Cooper entered the meeting via Zoom @5:10](#))

Student Performance: Madisen Hone (Vocal Performance)

Public Comment:

- Sign up for public comment made available before the meeting. No public comment.

Discussion Items:

- **Directors Report/Advertisement/Recruitment/Enrollment:** Drew Williams (ED UAA) Report

began with a review of the mission statement and sharing of a new recruitment video. Williams shared advertisement data from Niche, Instagram, Google, and Facebook with the board. Williams stressed getting students in the building, and word of mouth recruitment.

- **Budget/Finance report:** Kent Brown (CFO/HR Director of UAA) talked the board through the current YTD, P&L reports, and construction budget phase 2. The financial committee met and reviewed the documents prior to the meeting and expressed no immediate concerns. Board members asked questions about the construction timeline and Non profit status.
- **Artistic Report-Footloose:** Kyle Lewis (AD UAA) explained to the board how the footloose school wide collaborative project is working. The students will be attending a real world application retreat in Las Vegas, seeing a show, and enjoying an educational backstage experience. Details still in the works. Some opportunities to exchange with other arts schools in some possible sister school relationships are being explored.
- **Student Activity Report-** Nate Keith (UAA Dean of Students) Reported to the board about the student holiday party and outdoor concert prior to Christmas break. Upcoming events include a dance at Dixie Academy, and assembly at the Electric Theater (battle of the studios). The board asked questions about Prom and what help might be needed from parents.
- **Student Services Report-** Chris Andrus (UAA Dir. of Support Services) Technology is up and running in the new space. The building is well equipped for the success of students. The students are engaged and excited.
- **Alumni Committee Report-** Autumn Best (UAA Alumni President) The committee sent out a digital form. Responses came in and have now slowed. Autumn talked about sending out quarterly reports to Alumni. Yearbooks are still in storage and when located can help in creating a master list. Autumn answered board member questions about the type of information being gathered by the digital form.

Action/Ratification Items:

- **Fondation Documents:** The board had a brief discussion about the foundation documents. The board did not have any questions. John Sato (Foundation Chair) was introduced to the board and provided information about some upcoming events. A motion was made to approve the foundation documents Chelsea Bergeron, second Aubrey Johnson. Motion passed unanimously. In Favor: Nelson Hafen, Aubrey Johnson, Chelsea Bergeron, Sadie Best, Timothy Cooper - Opposed: NONE ([Josh Little left the meeting @5:55](#))
- **8th Grade Expansion-** Drew Williams (ED UAA) presented an 8th grade expansion proposal to the board. Proposal will streamline the transition from district schools and other charter schools in the area to UAA. Motion to approve taking the 8th grade expansion proposal to the state, Aubrey Johnson, second Bryan Watabe. Motion passed unanimously. In Favor: Nelson Hafen, Aubrey Johnson, Chelsea Bergeron, Sadie Best, Timothy Cooper - Opposed: NONE
- **Employee Contracts 3% Increase-** Kent Brown (CFO/HR Director UAA) presented the employee contracts increase with the board. Motion to approve Employee Contracts 3% Increase Sadie Best, second Nelson Hafen Motion passed unanimously. In Favor: Nelson Hafen, Aubrey Johnson, Chelsea Bergeron, Sadie Best, Timothy Cooper - Opposed: NONE
- **Monthly Board Meetings-** Nelson Hafen (UAA Interim Board Chair) led a board discussion on



switching from bi-monthly board meetings to monthly board meetings (and/or) more clearly defining board committee roles and meeting expectations. The discussion was tabled and no action was taken.

Closing Comments:

- Kent Brown (CFO/HR Director UAA) shared information with the board about spirit pack incentives for current students to help enroll future students.

Adjournment:

- **Motion to Adjourn:** Nelson Hafen, second Sadie Best, meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting: 19 April 2022 | 5PM | 1091 N. Bluff, St George