

# UtahARTS Academy

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19 April 2022 | 5PM | 1091 N. Bluff, St George | ZOOM

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Aubrey Johnson, Nelson Hafen, [Sadie Best \(virtual\)](#), [Jennifer Fouche \(virtual\)](#), Josh Little, Chelsea Bergeron, Bryan Watabe.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Drew Williams (ED UAA), Kent Brown (CFO/HR Director of UAA), Chris Andrus (Dir. of Support Services UAA), Nate Keith (Dean of Students UAA), Steven Stradley (UAA Faculty), , Sarah McNaughton (UAA Counselor), Maree Berry (UAA teacher), Blanca Hone (parent), Clairano (Student), Mckay Hansen (Student), Alexis Caldwell (Student), Sophia McCausland (Student).

**Approval of 15 February 2022 Minutes** -Bryan Watabe made a motion to Approve February 15, 2022 minutes, Josh Little a second. February 15th minutes approved unanimously. In favor: Nelson Hafen, Aubrey Johnson, Josh Little, Chelsea Bergeron, Sadie Best (virtual)

**Student Performance:** Trent Bain, audio track from student album “How I Dawn on You” presented virtually.

**Public Comment:**

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

**Discussion Items:**

- **Director’s Report:** Drew Williams (ED UAA) - Drew shared a video filmed from the drone of the graduation site at Sand Hollow for graduation on Monday, May 16th, 2022, 8-10pm. Williams shared some comments regarding our orchestra students’ opportunity to play with The Piano Guys. Construction is on schedule, decking and trusses are in, concrete is laid, all walls chalk-lined tomorrow and will begin with walls. “On Schedule”- Bottom floor (most classrooms, black box, admin offices) should be open in August for the ‘22-’23 school year. May 18, 29, 20th, auditions will be held for current students (dance, improv, shakespeare, guitar). Monday, Tuesday May 23-24th will be auditions for all new/incoming students. Awards night “black tie & red carpet” event, Monday May 9th at the Electric Theater for all awards. May 10th Electric Theater will be the, Faculstaff performance. Hoping to be out of the downtown/district space by the end of May. Short discussion about the grand opening in the fall ensued.
- **Budget/Finance Report:** Kent Brown (CFO/HR Director of UAA) Kent Brown (CFO/HR Director of UAA) talked the board through the current YTD, P&L reports, and current budget comparison to this point last year. Phase 1 of the new building is completely paid off.



- **Artistic Report:** Drew Willaims (ED UAA)- Can't Stand Still show is coming up, 16 total tickets left for 5 nights. Performing at the Equality Utah Celebration at Rock Bowl on Saturday. Williams is speaking at the Creative Age Conference in two weeks. ASPIRE testing May 3rd.
- **Student Activity Report-** Nate Keith (UAA Dean of Students)- Students are doing well and anxious about getting together for next school year. Winter Dance Party at Children's Museum was a success. Movie night two weeks ago was a great turnout. Enrollment is on the up, more applications are coming in each day, with the majority being new students to UAA. All new students are receiving phone calls with the news that they're in, over 100 phone calls have been made to parents and students. 99% of the contacts have expressed excitement to attend in the fall.
- **Student Services Report-** Chris Andrus (UAA Dir. of Support Services). Chris Andrus (UAA Dir. of Support Services) shared that there's a new billboard coming soon. Our first students are becoming Adobe certified (11th and 12th graders) which is really exciting.

#### **Action/Ratification Items:**

- **School Fee Documents:** Drew Williams (ED UAA) - Legislative session update of school fees must be approved by the board. Drew and Kent looked over Washington County's fee schedule to ensure UAA is equitable. UAA is not allowed to make money on school fees, so no fees are being charged that will bring income to the school. Fee schedule identifies all general and specific fees, which can vary based on buses, drivers ed, parking, uniforms, dances, and individual programming fees. Josh Little moved to approve the fee schedule, Jennifer Fouche (virtual) second. Unanimously voted by: Aubrey Johnson, Bryan Watabe, Nelson Hafen, Sadie Best (virtual), Chelsea Bergeron.
- **School 22/23 Calendar:** Drew Williams (ED UAA)- Proposal of UAA's 2022-2023 daily schedule with all important dates identified. Schedule is closely aligned to the local district. Calendar has added an October 25-26th, Arts Schools Network Conference is held in Las Vegas for all teachers to attend for professional development. Great networking opportunity. Motion to approve the '22-'23 calendar by Bryan Watabe, second by Sadie Best, all approved unanimously, none opposed.
- **Community Council Budget:** Kent Brown (CFO/HR Director UAA)-\$44,204.00 has been allotted to the community council budget, with ACT boot camp, Aubrey Johnson motioned to approve CC budget, digital citizenship week speaker, and science lab equipment. Chelsea Bergeron second, all approved unanimously, none opposed.
- **Board Chair Leave of Absence Extension:** Nelson Hafen (Interim Board Chair) Jennifer Fouche made a motion to approve, Josh Little second to extend Vicky's absence, all approved unanimously, none opposed.

#### **Adjournment:**



- Meeting Adjourned at 6:03pm.

**Next Meeting:** 20 June 2022 | 5PM | 1091 N. Bluff, St George