Salt Lake Arts Academy
Governing Board Minutes
September 15, 2025 at 5:30 pm
Salt Lake Arts Academy, 200 East

Board Members in Attendance: Diana Cabrales, Amy Fehlberg, Claudia Geist, Kelly Goff, Greg Ostrander, Catherine (Cat) Palmer, Reid Prentice, Shantel Stoff

Board Members Excused: Sarah Colonna, Carol Fineagan, Whitney Provo, Nick Steffens, Kimberly Veneable, Nick Vienneau, Amy Yuda,

Staff in Attendance: Debora Candler, Whitney Childers, Jen Guillory, Nicole Laird, and Dan Rose

Quorum: 8 out of 15 Board members present

Call to Order

Greg Ostrander called the meeting to order and led introductions for new members.

Approval of August 19, 2025 Minutes

- Motion: Amy Fehlberg motioned to approve the minutes of August 19, 2025.
- Second: Catherine Palmer
- Vote: Unanimously approved

Principal's Report – Deborah Candler

- Behavior observations have begun at the school.
- Yard "Glow-Up" project is progressing.
- IT Network health was reviewed.

IT and Academic Systems – Dan Rose

- Provided updates on Canva and Aspire rollouts.
- Shared progress on teacher implementation, features and improvements, and reasons for transitioning from prior systems.

(Whitney Provo joined at 5:55 p.m.)

Financial Report – Nicole Laird

- Financial reports through August 31 will be provided.
- Discussed integrating fees between programs.
- Noted that hiring an additional paraprofessional may be needed.
- Previewed a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the outdoor "Glow-Up."

Development and Communications – Whitney Childers

- Shared updates on school development and communications improvements.
- Encouraged Board members to submit reviews for SLArts on *Niche*.
- Announced a fall event to showcase the “Glow-Up” scheduled for **October 27, 2025, from 4:30–6:30 p.m.**

Board Meeting Dates

Board voted to approve meetings at 5:30 p.m. on the following dates:September 15, 2025;October 20, 2025; November 17, 2025; December 15, 2025; January 26, 2026; February 23, 2026; March 16, 2026; April 20, 2026; May 18, 2026; June 2026 Retreat (date TBD)

- Motion: Cat Palmer
- Second: Claudia Geist
- Vote: Unanimously approved

Board Officer and Committee Appointments

Board voted to approve the following slate of officers and committee assignments:

Officers

- Chief Administrative Officer – Deborah Candler
- Business Administrator – Nicole Laird
- Board Chair – Greg Ostrander
- Treasurer – Shantel Stoff
- Secretary – Diana Cabrales

Executive Committee

- Greg Ostrander (Chair)
- Shantel Stoff (Treasurer)
- Diana Cabrales (Secretary)

Finance Committee

- Shantel Stoff (Chair)
- Kimberly Venable
- Nick Vienneau
- Greg Ostrander

Community Outreach Committee

- Cat Palmer
- Carol Fineagan

Policy Committee

- Amy Yuda
- Claudia Geist

Academic Committee

- Kelly Goff
- Nick Vienneau
- Claudia Geist
- Reid Prentice

Behavior Committee

- Whitney Provo
- Amy Yuda

Board Governance Committee

- Amy Fehlberg
- Greg Ostrander

- Motion: Amy Fehlberg
- Second: Kelly Goff
- Vote: Unanimously approved

Public Comment

No requests to speak were made.

Adjournment

- Motion: Kelly Goff
- Second: Shantel Stoff
- Vote: Unanimously approved

Next Meeting: October 20, 2025

Minutes submitted by: Diana Cabrales, Board Secretary
Date: September 15, 2025