

**Salt Lake Arts Academy
Governing Board Meeting Minutes
March 16, 2026, 5:30 pm
844 S 200 E, Salt Lake City
Room 201**

Board Members in Attendance

Diana Cabrales (Board Secretary), Claudia Geist, Greg Ostrander (Board Chair), Reid Prentice, Whitney Provo (arrived at 5:42), Shantel Stoff (Board Treasurer), Kimberly Venable, Nick Vienneau (arr about 5:35), Amy Yuda

Board Members Excused

Amy Fehlberg, Kelly Goff, Catherine Palmer

Staff in Attendance

Deborah Candler, Jen Guillory, Nicole Laird, Dan Rose

Others in Attendance

None

Quorum: 9 of 12 board members present

Welcome and Introductions

Greg Ostrander called the meeting to order.

Review and Approval of Minutes – February 23, 2026

- Motion: Amy Yuda moved to approve the February 23, 2026 minutes as presented.
- Second: Shantel Stoff
- Vote: Unanimously approved

Principal's Report (Deborah Candler)

Deborah Candler reviewed the 2024–2025 Land Trust Plan for comparison with the proposed 2025–2026 plan. Discussion followed.

- Motion: Claudia Geist moved to approve the Land Trust Plan as presented.
- Second: Shantel Stoff
- Vote: Unanimously approved

Finance Report (Nicole Laird)

Nicole Laird reviewed the finance packet. The school remains on track with the budget, with adjustments and balancing anticipated before the end of the fiscal year.

Nicole Laird provided a monthly update and reported that the RFP process for the Glow-Up project is underway, including postings, walkthroughs, and responses to questions. Proposals are expected by March 20, 2026. Board members interested in participating on the selection committee were invited to notify Nicole. Approximately three to four proposals are expected, with additional information to be presented at the next meeting.

Nicole also provided an update on the school's boiler system. While temporary fixes have been

implemented, HVAC issues have persisted throughout the year. The two primary boilers are nearing the end of their lifespan and are no longer functioning reliably. Rocky Mountain Mechanical, the current service provider, is preparing a proposal. The project will likely require a formal bid process and would be completed over the summer. The Board discussed the potential need to reprioritize other capital expenditures, such as carpeting.

Requests to Speak

None.

Adjournment

- Motion: Kimberly Venable moved to adjourn the meeting.
- Second: Nick Vienneau
- Vote: Unanimously approved

Certification

Submitted by:

Diana Cabrales

Board Secretary

Salt Lake Arts Academy

Approved by the Governing Board on: April 20, 2026