

Scholar Academy Board of Directors Meeting

Date: July 22nd, 2026

Location: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84646952926>

In Attendance: Dusty Griffith, Jacob Howarth, Sandy Shepard, Collin Post

Excused: Traelle Gailey, Johanna Leonelli

Others in Attendance: Jeff Hall, Priscilla Stringfellow, Hannah Jones, Jon McQueary

Scholar Academy is committed to creating a learning environment that fosters in students the development of divergent thinking and problem-solving skills, providing opportunities which enable all students to develop a sense of civic responsibility and achieve their highest potential.

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER Dusty Griffith called the meeting to order at 5:38 PM.

CONSENT ITEMS

- June 16, 2026, Board Meeting & Closed Session Minutes
Sandy Shepard made a motion to approve the June 16th Board Meeting and Closed Session Minutes. Collin Post seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The votes were as follows: Dusty Griffith, Aye; Collin Post, Aye; Jacob Howarth, Aye; Sandy Shepard, Aye.

CLOSED SESSION - to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual pursuant to Utah Code 52-4-205(1)(a).

At 5:41 PM Collin Post made a motion to enter a closed session to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual pursuant to Utah Code 52-4-205(1)(a) at an electronic board meeting via Zoom. Jacob Howarth seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The votes were as follows: Dusty Griffith, Aye; Collin Post, Aye; Jacob Howarth, Aye; Sandy Shepard, Aye.

At 6:33 PM Dusty Griffith made a motion to leave the closed session and enter the general meeting. Jacob Howarth seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The votes were as follows: Dusty Griffith, Aye; Collin Post, Aye; Jacob Howarth, Aye; Sandy Shepard, Aye.

VOTING & DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 401k Benefits & Benefit Stipends

This item was discussed in closed session.

Dusty Griffith made a motion to approve the 401k Benefits and Benefit Stipends as discussed in the closed session. Jacob Howarth seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The votes were as follows: Dusty Griffith, Aye; Collin Post, Aye; Jacob Howarth, Aye; Sandy Shepard, Aye.

At 6:30 PM the board went on break and planned to reconvene the meeting at 7:00 PM.

At 7:00 PM the meeting re-convened.

At 7:03 PM Dusty Griffith made a motion to enter a closed session to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual pursuant to Utah Code 52-4-205(1)(a) at an electronic board meeting via Zoom. Sandy Shepard seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The votes were as follows: Dusty Griffith, Aye; Collin Post, Aye; Jacob Howarth, Aye; Sandy Shepard, Aye.

At 7:51 PM Jacob Howarth made a motion to leave the closed session and enter the general meeting. Collin Post seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The votes were as follows: Dusty Griffith, Aye; Collin Post, Aye; Jacob Howarth, Aye; Sandy Shepard, Aye.

VOTING & DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Longevity Pay Schedule
 - SPED Contract
- These items were tabled.

CALENDARING

The next board meeting is scheduled for September 24, 2026, via Zoom.

ADJOURN

At 7:51 PM Sandy Shepard made a motion to adjourn. Jacob Howarth seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The votes were as follows: The votes were as follows: Dusty Griffith, Aye; Collin Post, Aye; Jacob Howarth, Aye; Sandy Shepard, Aye.

**Scholar Academy
Board of Directors Closed Session**

Meeting Date: 07.22.2026

Location: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84646952926>

CLOSED SESSION SWORN STATEMENT:

At a duly noticed public meeting held on the date listed above, the board of directors for Scholar Academy entered a closed session for the sole purpose of discussing the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual in accordance with Utah Code Ann. 52-4-2(1)(a).

I declare under criminal penalty under the law of Utah that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signed on the 22nd day of July, located in an electronic board meeting via Zoom, UT.



Dusty Griffith, Board Chair