

Faith Academy Charter School Board Minutes

October 2025

Monday, October 20, 2025 6:00 PM

Location: Upper Campus Media Center

School Mission:

Faith Academy Charter School will prepare a diverse student body for college and career through Project Based Learning, life skills courses, and College and Technical Education pathways. Through this challenging and supportive learning environment, students address real-world problems to become successful citizens and community leaders in a rapidly changing world.

Agenda

1. Meeting called to order & Welcome guests by Chair Goerge Wilhelm at 6:03 pm

Stephen Cowan Board Member Absent due to family emergency.

All admin present.

2. Recitation of Mission by Dennis Ingold

3. Pledge of Allegiance by Nick LefkO

4. Announcements and Acknowledgements-

a. Fall Sports Conference Champions Recognition - AD Howard Torrence

5. Consent Agenda

a. Approval of October 20, 2025 Agenda

b. Approval of [September 22, 2025 Minutes](#)

Motion to approve Consent Agenda by Robert Leslie

Seconded by John Hudson

No Discussion

Unanimously Approved

6. Public Comment - [LINK TO FULL POLICY](#)

Public comment is a time for the community to provide feedback to the Board of Directors. For in-person meetings attendees must sign up at the start of the meeting in order to give public comment. Each community member is limited to 3 minutes of comment, with a total time allotted to public comment of

up to 30 minutes. During remote meetings, attendees may add their public comments to the chat feature which will be sent directly to the Board of Directors. Board members will then share the comments with the meeting attendees for up to 10 minutes.

Public comment is also a time for the Board of Directors to listen to the feedback of the community. Board members can not respond to public comments during the meeting. However, the Board recognizes that each stakeholder is a vital part of our community and will take comments into consideration when making decisions, planning, providing feedback to administration, and completing committee work.

BOARD GUIDELINES DURING THE 30 MIN. PUBLIC COMMENT:

- The designated Board Moderator of comments will end a comment at 3 minutes, or recommend to the chair that they move on from public comment after 30 minutes of total comment.
- Board members are to listen and not respond or engage in conversation during the 30 minutes of the comments portion of the Board Meeting. They are only to thank the community for the feedback.
- During the meeting or committee follow up, board members can reference comments made by the community, if appropriate in board discussion about agenda items.
- New agenda items should not be added to the current meeting due to public comment. They should be added to board committee agendas or future board meeting agendas.

*NO Public Comment Tonight



New Business

7. [PEX Approval Process](#)

Motion to approve Pex Approval Process by Robert Leslie
Seconded by John Hudson
No Discussion
Unanimously Approved

8. [Student Code of Conduct Policy Update](#) 1st Read

Motion to approve Student Code of Conduct Policy Update by Robert Leslie
Seconded by Mark Brinkley
No Discussion
Unanimously Approved

9. [Employee Criminal History Check Policy- Review](#)

10. [Board Member Residency Verification- Review](#)

Motion to approve Board Member Verification Form by Mark Brinkley
Seconded By Sheri Halpin
No Discussion
Unanimously Approved

11. [Review 26/27 Calendar](#)

12. Transportation Oil Service Contract Bid

- No Bids yet
- Has been tabled

13. 4-H Participation

Fundraiser by 4-H Program still go through normal process for Board Approval

Reports

14. Lead Administrator Report by Chad Mitchell

- a. **Audit Update**
- b. **Metal Detectors Update**
- c. **Charter Renewal Update**

15. Questions (if any) from the Board for Lead Administrator (regarding Administrator Report)

16. Committee Reports

- a. Facilities Committee- Update on gym, loan for upper school, USDA/easement update
- b. Booster/Sports Committee

*Motion to approve the sports committee and secretary Nick lefko to sell honorary names on softball scoreboard to help fund monies for a new roof on the grandstand by George Wilhelm

Seconded by Robert Leslie

No Discussion

Unanimously Approved

*Motion to approve Cross Country Fundraiser by Mark Brinkley

Seconded by Dennis Ingold

No Discussion

Unanimously Approved

- c. Finance Committee- [September Financials](#)
- d. Capital Campaign Committee
- e. Personnel Committee- New Board Member
- f. PTO Committee
- g. Grounds, Maintenance and Traffic Committee
- h. Safety Committee

Motion to enter closed session by Nick Lefko

Seconded by John Hudson

No Discussion

Unanimously Approved

Closed Session: 7:17 pm

Personnel, Contract Negotiations, Student Record Information - Pursuant to [NC GS 143.318.11](#)

17. Final Board items - If needed, Action in open session on any Closed Session topics.

Motion to enter Open Session by Dennis Ingold

Seconded by Robert Leslie

Unanimously Approved

7:37 pm

Motion to approve slate of candidates as presented by Lead Administrator by Nick Lefko

Seconded by Sheri Halpin

No Discussion

Unanimously Approved

Motion to approve Allen Cress as a new Board Member for 3 years with a backfill through July 1st, 2025 by John Hudson

Seconded by Robert Leslie

No Discussion

Unanimously Approved

Motion to adjourn by Mark Brinkley

Seconded by Dennis Ingold

Unanimously Approved

Adjournment: 7:45 pm