Faith Academy Charter School Board Minutes
Special Called Meeting- July
Wednesday, July 29, 2026 5:00 PM
Location: Virtual FACS Special Called Board Meeting- Virtual
Video call link: https://meet.google.com/wqt-ryzy-ayc

*Present were Board Members: Chairman, Dennis Ingold, Allen Cress, Sheri Halpin, Robert Leslie, Bonnie Holder, and Mike Efird. Also present were, Faith Chief Operating Officer Chad Mitchell, Partners Success Kelly Holland and Allyson Mastroia.

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 Chairman Dennis Ingold 5:02 p.m.**
2. **Recitation of Mission by Allen Cress**
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Consent Agenda**
    a. Approval of July 29, 2026 Agenda

    Motion to approve consent agenda by Robert Leslie
    Seconded by Allen Cress
    Unanimously approved.

5. **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.project They should be added to board committee agendas or future board meeting agendas.

New Business

6. Review Soccer Field Project Expenses

Chairman Ingold began the discussion updating the Board on the work of the new soccer field, and the additional expenses that may be incurred.

Mr. Mitchell reminded the members that the original quote for the field was $71,500. However, that did not include electricity for irrigation and a scoreboard. He explained that as the project progressed additional fill dirt had to be brought in and large boulders were removed, as well as the addition of a gravel drive.

Mr. Mitchell stated that after a discussion with Chairman Ingold, it was agreed to possibly expand the scope of the work to include a multi-field project and not just a soccer field. He explained that the car rider line would be revised, and with the added expansion the area could be used for a middle school football field and incorporate a track for boys and girls track meets. He advised that the cost would be an additional $97,000 with additional expense for sod and fence. Mr. Ingold explained that if we went with sod instead of grass, the field would be ready for fall sports.

Board member, Mr. Stephen Cowan joined the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

Mr. Leslie questioned if the money was on hand, and what fund could be used. Mr. Mitchell explained the budget is currently solid and the money was available for capital growth.

Mr. Leslie made a motion to approve the additional $180,000 to expand the current soccer field project. Mrs. Halpin seconded. Discussion followed.

Mr. Leslie amended his motion to approve $200,000 for the project. Mrs. Halpin seconded. Unanimously approved.

Reports- None at this time

Closed Session

Contracts and Personnel

Pursuant to NC GS 143.318.11 (a1, a6)

Mr. Leslie moved to go into closed session at 5:30 p.m.. Mr. Cress seconded.

Mr. Leslie moved to come out of closed session at 5:36 p.m.. Mr. Cress seconded.

Final Items After Closed Session:

Mr. Leslie moved to hire Lisa Trexler as a long-term substitute through December 2026. Mr. Cress seconded. Unanimously approved.

Adjournment

5:38 p.m. Mr. Leslie moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Cress seconded. Unanimously approved.