

Faith Academy Charter School Board Minutes

April Meeting

Monday, April 20, 2026 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.

Jeff Street absent*

Allen Cress virtual*

John Hudson entered at 6:20pm

Dennis Ingold entered at 6:50pm

Agenda

1. Meeting called to order & Welcome guests at 6:04pm by George Wilhelm
2. Recitation of Mission by Sheri Halpin
3. Pledge of Allegiance by Mark Brinkley
4. Announcements and Acknowledgements: High School Jr. Civitans

5. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of April 20, 2026 Agenda
- b. Approval of March 16, 2026 Minutes

Motion to approve Consent Agenda by Robert Leslie
Seconded Sheri Halpin
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

New Business

7. Policy:

a. Student Fees and Charges

Motion to approve student fees and charges as written by admin by Robert Leslie
Seconded by Sheri Halpin
Unanimously Approved

b. School Walking Policy Discussion plan will be put together for board review.

8. Calendar Revision Request 26/27

Motion to accept calendar revision from admin by Robert Lesliy
Seconded by Nick Lefko
Unanimously Approved

9. New Board Members Introduced Again

10. Board Retreat Date is 6/19/2026

Reports

11. Lead Administrator Report

a. NC Charter School Conference 2026

b. Student Council Fundraiser

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

13. Committee Reports

a. Facilities Committee- Tank Ownership

b. Booster/Sports Committee

c. Finance Committee-

i. March Financials

ii. FY27 Budget Draft -1st Read

d. Capital Campaign Committee

e. Personnel Committee

f. PTO Committee

g. Grounds, Maintenance and Traffic Committee

h. Safety Committee

Motion to approve up to \$90,000 for complete Gym Plans by Robert Leslie

Seconded by Dennis Ingold

Unanimously Approved

Closed Session: 7:58pm

Motion to enter by Robert Leslie

Seconded by Sheri Halpin

Unanimously Approved

Pursuant to [NC GS 143.318.11](#) (a1, a6)

Personnel Committee Business

14. Closed Session Agenda

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

Motion to enter Open Session at 8:27pm by Robert Leslie

Seconded by Dennis Ingold

Unanimously Approved

Secretary Nick Lefko and board accepts recusal from Robert Leslie on a non vote for candidates.

Motion to accept slate of candidates as presented by lead admin by Nick Lefko

Seconded by Dennis Ingold

Unanimously Approved

Motion to accept 3 new board member candidates by George Wilhelm
Seconded by Robert Leslie
Unanimously Approved

*Note all are 3 year terms that will begin July 1st 2026 and will end June 30th 2029.

Motion to adjourn by Nick Lefko
Seconded by Robert Leslie
Unanimously Approved

Adjournment: 8:29pm

Signed by Secretary Nick Lefko