

Faith Academy Charter School Board Book

March 2023

Monday, March 20, 2023

Location: Faith Academy Charter School

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.

Board Minutes - March 20, 2023

1. Meeting called to order & Welcome guests

Board members Present: George Wilhelm, Chairman, Gene Miller, Vice-Chairman, Tim Williams, Secretary, Liz Morrow, Treasurer, Janna Griggs, Nick Lefko and Chris Sease.

Board Members Absent: Quorum established.

Administration Present: Dr. Sarah Hensley

Charter Success Partners: Cory Draughon and Tara Beaver

Guests - Miller/Davis Agency: Mike Miller and Nicky Black (Joined at 7pm)

2. Closed Session

Motion to go to Closed Session: Chris Sease

Seconded: Gene Miller

Discussion: Board members, Dr. Hensley, Cory Draughon and Tara Beaver proceeded to building-site to have a tour and ask questions of Keir Penny, Project Foreman.

Motion Status: Approved Unanimously

Closed Session began at 6:03 pm

a. Facilities

3. Closed Session was Recessed until the end of the open meeting at 7:00 pm

4. Return to Open Session

Open Session began at 7:05 pm

The monthly meeting was called to order by Chairman George Wilhelm

5. Recitation of Mission Lead by Chairman Wilhelm

6. Pledge of Allegiance lead by Tim Williams

7. Consent Agenda

- Approval of March 20 Agenda
- Approval of 2/20/23 Meeting Minutes ([Open Session](#))
- Approval of 2/20/23 Meeting Minutes Closed Session
- **Lead Administrator Report**

Motion to Approve Consent Agenda: Janna Griggs

Seconded: Chris Sease

Discussion: None

Motion Status: Unanimously Approved

8. 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

Reports

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

Dr. Hensley reported:

- *Faith Academy Charter School Master Calendar-Spring 2023*

- Presented updated 2023-2024 SchoolMint Lottery Projection Report
- FACS Tornado Drill Report March 8, 2023
- Presented Ad for FACS for upcoming Rowan Report

All of Dr. Hensley's report is made a part of these minutes

10. Financial Report

- February Financial Report: [03 Board Report 2023.02](#)

Cory Draughan reported that we are on trend to exceed revenues due to additional State Funding and Capital Campaign funds.

Dr. Hensley reported that FACS has received IRS Sales and Use Tax Refund, \$18,551.59.

11. Committee Reports

- Facilities Committee - No Report
- Sports Committee - Sports Committee will pick out playground equipment for the new building. It was reported that soccer and golf are both going really well. Thanks was expressed to the coaches and helpers for these sports. It was also reported that softball clinics were being planned.
- Finance Committee - No other report
- Capital Campaign Committee - Tim Williams presented the Capital Campaign Report for March 2023.
 - Contacted James Davis, Chairman of the Margaret C. Woodson Foundation to plead FACS's concerns with being drawn into the Faith 4th controversy unfairly and unnecessarily.
 - Robertson Foundation will visit FACS on April 20th at 9:30 am. Jason Walser, Executive Director, Mary Heather Steinmen, Chief Operating Officer and other Board Members will tour FA. This appeal is outside of their regular grant cycle, but a contribution is possible. Visit is necessary to end perceived FACS's association with the 4th of July controversy.
 - Met with Miller/Davis, Mike Miller and Nicky Black to discuss Capital Campaign. They will join our monthly meeting on March 20, 2023 for a presentation.
 - Thanks to Faith Soda Shop for Spirit Nights.
 - Capital Campaign BBQ, tour of school and CC pitch planned for beginning of school year - 2023-24.
 - Patriot Pennies possibility conducted by PPTA.
 - Second mailing to all current donors to encourage yearly giving is being planned.
 - Thanks to Gloria Wilhelm for helping each Thursday with the capital campaign. Former Faith School teacher appeal mailing is underway.
 - To Date Total: \$273,841.21 122 donors.

Mike Miller, President of Miller/Davis Agency and Nicky Black, Business Development Specialist presented a proposed FACS Capital Campaign Monthly Budget Estimates proposal for the Board to consider.

Motion to approve Capital Campaign monthly budget estimate as presented by Miller/Davis allowing the Capital Campaign Committee to spend up to \$45,937.50 from capital campaign funds: Chris Sease

Seconded: Nick Lefko

Discussion: None

Motion Status: Approved Unanimously

- e. Personnel Committee - Closed Session

Old Business

12. Lottery Update

Cory Draughon reported that the lottery was run at 5 pm and was completed and all offers were made.

13. Status of SRO

George Wilhelm reported that SRO, Ryan Walker has been assigned to FACS by the Rowan County Sheriff's Department. George will be meeting with Sheriff, County Finance Manager and RSS Superintendent to finalize some issues with funding. Until resolved, our SRO will work a somewhat shorten week. A memorandum of understanding needs to be signed.

New Business

14. Policies

- a. School & Community: [2.002 FACS Admissions, Weighted Lottery, and Enrollment Policy \(updated language highlighted in yellow\)](#)

Motion to Approve School and Community Policy 2.002 with updated yellow highlights as presented, except under "enrollment". Forty-eight (48) hours shall remain instead of 5 business days as was presented to lottery admission candidates for this year's lottery: Janna Griggs

Seconded: Liz Morrow

Discussion: The time allotted for accepting a lottery spot will change at a later date.

Motion Status: Approved Unanimously

Resumed Closed Session at 8:16 pm

Personnel, Contract Negotiations, Student Record Information - Pursuant to NC GS 143.318.11

- a. Personnel
 - i. High School Administrator

Motion to go back to Open Session at 9:04pm: Chris Sease

Seconded: Janna Griggs

Discussion: None

Motion Status: Approved Unanimously

Motion to Adjourn: Nick Lefko

Seconded: Liz Morrow

Discussion: None

Motion Status: Approved Unanimously

Adjournment at 9:05 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Williams, Secretary