

Faith Academy Charter School Board Minutes

October 2024

Monday, October 21, 2024 6:00 PM

Location: Faith Academy Charter School: Upper School 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.

Board Members Present: George Wilhelm, Elizabeth Morrow, Nick Lefko, Somer Stanley, Mark Brinkley, Robert Leslie, Sheri Halpin, John Hudson

Board Members Absent: Gene Miller

Admin Present: Alison Moore, Chad Mitchell, Amy Wise

Agenda

1. Meeting called to order & Welcome guests

Meeting called to order at 6:03pm by George Wilhelm

2. Recitation of Mission by Elizabeth Morrow

3. Pledge of Allegiance by Mark Brinkley


4. Consent Agenda

Approval of October 21, 2024 Agenda

Approval of September 16, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes

 [FACS_ Board Meeting Minutes - 9_16_2024.pdf](#)

Approval of September 20, 2024 Emergency Meeting Minutes

 [FACS_ Board Meeting Minutes - 9_20_2024.pdf](#)

Motion to Approve Consent Agenda by John Hudson

Seconded by Sheri Halpin

Discussion none

Unanimously Approved

AD Howard Torrence Recognized Girls Volleyball Tournament Win

Middle school Cross Country Boys and Girls-First trophies for Faith Academy

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

*Public Comment by Mabel Jacome-discussed adding a policy that would allow local homeschooled athletes to participate in our schools athletics.

New Business

Reports

6. Lead Administrator Report and Volunteer Report: No discussion

W FACS Administrator Report- Oct 21.docx

a. Dedication of High School Date is Sunday November 24th at 2:00pm

Motion to approve the date by Robert Leslie

Seconded by Mark Brinkley

No Discussion

Unanimously Approved

7. Questions (if any) from the Board for Lead Administrator (regarding Administrator Report) No questions-

8. Request for Student Recognitions and Presentations at Board Meetings

-Student Recognition now allowed and welcomed at Board Meetings

9. Charter Renewal

Alison Moore, Kelly Holland, Corey Draughon

Data Collection in Process for the school.

Hoping for a 7 or 10 year Charter Renewal

*******As part of our charter ALL BOARD MEMBERS are required to check in at the front office for security, safety, and to help log hours of involvement.**

10. Transportation Services- Update on Accessibility Vehicle

-Have minibus and insured, Waiting on it to be serviced and new batteries.

11. Town of Faith request for well.

In talks about a well for the town on our property. We would not charge them and get water for our fields in return.

12. Lottery Priorities Review- Presented by Kelly Holland

2.002 FACS Admissions, Weighted Lottery, and Enrollment Policy 2023.03.16 (1).pdf

13. CSP Financial Report - Presented by Cory Draughon

a. September Financial Report: **00. 2024.09 MFP FACS.pdf**

Overall the budget and numbers look good for FACS

b. Bank Signers - removal of prior board members, add new board members- **BOARD ACTION**

Motion to approve the removal of past board member Tim Williams from ability to sign checks, leaving George Wilhelm and Elizabeth Morrow, adding Nick Lefko.

Secoded by Sheri Halpin

No Discussion

Unanimously Passed

14. Policy

Title IX Policy- **DRAFT Title IX Policy- FACS- BOARD ACTION**

Motion to approve updates to this policy by Elizabeth Morrow

Secoded by John Hudson

No Discussion

Unanimously Approved

15. Approval of Summer School Dates- BOARD ACTION

Motion to Approve Summer School for EOG and EOC to be completed June 2nd - June 30th 2024 for grades 2nd-10th by Mark Brinkley

Secoded by Robert Lesley

No Discussion

Unanimously Approved

George Wilhelm discussed the on campus visit last week North Carolina Coalition for Charter Schools Passed out info to review and consider for possible join

Also discussed possibly working again with a local artist for murals around campus.

16. Committee Meetings Schedule, Reports, New Committee(s) -Safety

17. Committee Reports

a. Facilities Committee

George Wilhelm discussed meeting with an architect about future upgrades and a new bathroom in the old cafeteria.

b. Booster/Sports Committee

\$500 donated by Jason and Nicole Gardner to Athletic Program

Coaching Budget discussed.

Middle school football interest discussed.

Highschool homeschool athletic participation discussed.

Motion to approve 4th of July Monies earned to be distributed as follows: 50% to Capital Campaign, 25% to PTO, 25% to Boosters.

Seconded by Robert Leslie

No Discussion

Motion Passed Unanimously

c. Finance Committee

d. Capital Campaign Committee

Tim Williams

Funds Raised since last Board Meeting-\$50,897,07

Total Given to Date: \$556,441.45

Meeting with Miller Davis 10/22/2024 Capital Campaign Committee to follow.

e. Personnel Committee

f. PTO Committee

Movie Night for Families set.

No new meetings this past month.

g. Grounds, Maintenance and Traffic Committee

Buses for next year discussed. Looking into cost comparisons.

New Road to help with Faith Rd Traffic is Complete. After logistics, the plan is to put it into service soon.

Motion to go into closed session by John Hudson

Seconded by Robert Leslie

No Discussion

Unanimously Passed

Closed Session

Personnel, Contract Negotiations, Student Record Information -

Pursuant to NC GS 143.318.11

a. Personnel

Alison Moore discussed currently interviewing for 3 Open Positions

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

Liz Morrow Discussed FDA Loan. Says looking good so far. Possible update by the end of the year.

Motion to go into Open Session by Mark Brinkley

Seconded by Shar Halpin

No Discussion

Unanimously Passed

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by John Hudson

Seconded by Somer Stanley

Discussion: Somer Stanley questioned the hiring process and formats of lead admin. Requested documentation that has to be checked on.

Unanimously Passed

Adjourned at 7:58pm

**Signed Nick Lefko
Secretary FACS**