



The Governing Board of Freedom Preparatory Academy

HELD A PUBLIC MEETING

IN THE SECONDARY SCHOOL CONFERENCE ROOM

1761 WEST 820 NORTH, PROVO, UTAH

September 17, 2026, 12:08PM-2:55PM

In attendance via zoom: Austin Anderson, CAO, and board members Paul Baltes, Rex Galbraith and Keith Powers, plus Executive Director Grayson Wolf and Director of Operations Buddy Ivie. Principals Cherlynn Imes, Carrie Banfield, and Brandon Winn as well as assistant principal Lilly Pyper, also Owner of Red Apple Financial Steven Finley as well as Secondary Academic Dean Kim Flewallen and CTE Director John Teuscher. Executive Secretary Tracey Noonan participated at the anchor location.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Approval of minutes from June 23, 2026, Governing Board Meeting

Keith Powers moved to approve minutes from June 23, 2026, Governing Board Meeting with one small edit.

Rex Galbraith seconded the motion. 4-0 passed; Lindsay Owen absent.

2. Executive Director Update

Grayson Wolf summarized the start of FPA's 24th year! Also led a discussion regarding enrollment.

3. Finance Update

Steve Finley from Red Apple Finance reviewed and explained school financial status from start of the school year until now.

Paul Baltes expressed some concerns regarding the clarity and formatting of the information presented by Steve Finley.

4. Consideration and Approval of LEA Specific Educator Licensure Requests

Tracey Noonan reviewed the need for LEA Specific Educator Licenses.

Keith Powers moved to approve the LEA Specific Educator Licenses as explained.
Paul Baltes seconded the motion. 4-0 passed; Lindsay Owen absent.

5. Review and Approval of PTO Policy Amendments to the Employee Handbook

Buddy Ivie explained the reasoning behind the amendment. Paul Baltes pointed out a typo and asked a few questions regarding communicating the changes to the teachers and the timeline of the payout to teachers.

Keith Powers moved to approve the PTO Policy Amendments to the Employee Handbook.
Rex Galbraith seconded the motion. 4-0 passed; Lindsay Owen absent.

6. Consideration and Approval of the APEX Center Construction Project

Buddy Ivie introduced CTE Director John Teuscher and Secondary Academics Director Kim Flewallen, who presented an overview of the APEX program to the Governing Board. Due to the Board's questions and the volume of information provided, the Board agreed to schedule an additional meeting to allow board members time to review the materials before determining whether to approve the program and construction of APEX Center.

7. St. George Facility Update

Grayson Wolf updated the Governing Board on the imminent resumption of construction on the St. George addition.

8. Possible Motion to Enter a Closed Meeting Pursuant to Utah Code Sections 52-4-204 and 52-4-205 for a Strategy Session Regarding Pending or Reasonably Imminent Litigation

Paul Baltes moved to go into a Closed Meeting.
Keith Powers seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: 4-0; Lindsay Owen absent.

Closed Meeting begins at 2:08PM

9. Return to Open Meeting (if applicable)

Closed Meeting ends at 2:54PM

10. Consideration of Any Action Arising from the Closed Meeting (if applicable)

None

11. Adjourn

Rex Galbraith moved to adjourn @2:55PM. Motion passed 4-0.

Note: Due to technical difficulties, the audio recording of the public portion of the meeting following the Governing Board's return from closed session and continuing through the official adjournment of the meeting is not available.

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