



Round Rock Christian Academy
Board of Directors Meeting
January 15, 2026

Directors Present

Felecia Clark
Allan Keith
Alexis Michael
Todd Whitley
Gregg Johnson

Directors Absent

Kristi Haag
David Fenwick
Kristi Roark
Clint Sonnier

Others Present

Becky Blauser
Julie Grosser

The Board meeting was called to order at 5:02 pm. Allan Keith prayed over the meeting. Gregg Johnson motioned for the meeting agenda to be approved, Todd Whitley seconded the motion, all were in favor, and the agenda was approved. Allan Keith motioned for the minutes to be approved, Todd Whitley seconded, all were in favor and the minutes were approved.

In the Board packet is an ACSI newsletter article for Board members to read that provides good information regarding the responsibilities of a Christian school board.

Financials

Becky Blauser went over the financials. The Balance sheet shows less money in the High Yield Savings account, since we closed one of the CDs for the downpayment on the land. On the Actual Financials, December has not been closed yet, therefore some credit card transactions are not reflected in the reports. We have started to post journal entries for 2026-27 (registration fees and prepaid tuition) since we will not be using FACTS Financial software starting in July 2026.

The Proposed Budget for 2026-27 is attached in the Board packet. The budget was prepared based on 780 students. If all current students move up, and PK and K are full, we will have 797 students enrolled. An enrollment goal we have is to retain 90% of students, which we did last year. The proposed budget will be revised and reviewed again in September. The proposed budget gets formally approved in September. Gregg Johnson motioned that the Financials be approved, Todd Whitley seconded, and the Financials were approved.

Head Of School Report

There are informational fliers about Texas Education Freedom Accounts (TEFA) in the Board packet. The ACSI self-study report can be found online on the Board website. The Board should be well-represented at the ACSI Accreditation team dinner on February 22 at Blue Corn Harvest. SGO accounts are new and a tool that taxpayers can use to pay for tuition with cash contributions to the Scholarship Granting Organizations.

The Athletics Department made a change in coaching in high school basketball, and the team has had some successes since the change. Becky Blauser gave Board members a draft of the Strategic Plan for Board members to look at and consider any changes.

Land Update

We asked the engineer to do a rough sketch of potential land uses after the tree survey. There is a monarch tree right in the middle of the property, as well as 480 trees on the property. The Landscape Architect has made a proposal to remove some trees and replace some. Because we can't replace enough of the trees, we would have to pay a fee which right now is quoted as \$493K. Most of the trees are cedars, live oaks, and elms. We are not sure if the city will be flexible with this price or not.

New Business

SouthState Bank (formerly Independent Bank) met with Alexis Michael and Becky Blauser about a loan for the land. The term sheet and letter of interest is provided in the Board Packet. The bank offered a cross-pledge with the current loan and a 20-year term. The interest rate would be 6.5% for 5 years. They want to make it co-terminus with the other loan, and they would all balloon at the same time. We owe \$500,000 on November 2026. February 28 is the date for the loan. Todd Whitley motioned to approve the purchase of the land, Gregg Johnson seconded the motion, all were in favor, and the motion was approved.

Early Graduation Policy: For historical reference, about 15 years ago a student was given permission to leave after her junior year, attend ACC classes, not return for her senior year, and graduate from RRCA (on paper). Normally, the reasons students take extra summer classes are to get ahead or because they failed courses. A current RRCA sophomore wants to skip her junior year and come back next year as a senior and graduate early. If we wanted to give this option, how do we keep our program rigorous without dropping our standards? Students taking courses outside of our program would need to use an accredited program (like ACC, UT, or Texas State). The Board discussed and didn't like the idea that someone could graduate early on the minimum diploma plan.

The question is: Do we want to allow RRCA students to graduate early? There are RRCA students who do graduate on the minimum plan, but that is because they may be transfer students or they have failed some classes. An Early Graduation policy could bring down our rigor and open up a lot of problems. After Board discussion and agreement, Todd Whitley motioned that we do not add an Early Graduation policy or program at RRCA. Gregg Johnson seconded the motion, all were in favor, and the motion carried.

A parent wrote a letter asking for tuition forgiveness for her balance from last year of \$2791.50. She has also asked for waiving of registration fees for this coming school year, which are due now in order for her to re-enroll. She was put on a payment makeup plan last year when she lost her job but has not finished paying the balance of that payment plan. The Board agreed that we have provided adequate assistance with the payment makeup plan, tuition assistance, and free aftercare

that have already been given over many years. The Board did not agree to forgive past balances or offer any additional financial assistance towards registration fees.

The next Board meeting will be February 12, if we need to have it. Board members were reminded to mark their calendars for the dinner with the accreditation team on February 22.

After that, the next Board meeting will be April 16. Todd Whitley motioned for the meeting to be adjourned, Felecia Clark seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. David Fenwick
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Secretary, Board of Directors