

Faiss Middle School

School Organizational Team Minutes

August 18, 2025 4:00pm

The Faiss Middle School, SOT meeting was called to order at 4:00pm on August 18, 2025.

Voting Members:

Lacy Sullivan, Parent	Shannon McCormack, Teacher – Chair
Kara Nieland, Parent - Secretary	Jessica Beeghly, Teacher – Co-Chair
Erica Romero, Parent	Nichole Gentry, Teacher -absent
Tori Sadiki, parent	Renaye Barnes, Support Professional
Jeff Wells, parent - online	
Roger West, Principal	

Non-voting Members:

Andrew Sullivan, representative student

Faiss Middle School Administration:

Roger West, Principal	Amanda Skrogstad, Assistant Principal
Joe Vespo, Assistant Principal	
Shirley Cunningham, Assistant Principal	

Agenda Items

1.0 Welcome and Roll Call

2.0 New Items

- 2.1 **Approval of the Minutes. Review and approval of the minutes from the May 19, 2025 meeting.** Motion to approve by Tori and 2nd by Lacy. Minutes approved unanimously.
- 2.2 **School Updates. Faiss MS administration will provide updates on recent and upcoming events.** Celebrating 10yr Ron Clark Academy Anniversary. Theme for the beginning of the school year is Faiss! Like the movie F1 – all the pieces working together makes things better. Open house before school started seemed to go smooth with the mention that maybe communication regarding supplies could be a little better. MAPS’ testing for fall was already in progress. The enrollment for this school year was at 1208 as of Friday August 15th. The Club fair was scheduled to be this week and the late bus is available now. Athletic seasons for the fall have begun and try-outs will be after Labor Day. Chromebook check out went well. So far it has been a great start to the new school year.
- 2.3 **School Plan of Operation. Presentation by Faiss staff on the Roadmap for School Success including Discussion and possible vote on the proposed budget for the 2025-2026 school year.** A roadmap to success. Goal 1 to increase math and ELA test scores. The SBAC scores have been reviewed and the goals updated to reflect the scores received. The improvement strategies are good but need more training to make them more effective. Goal 2 was changed in 1st quarter to a 2 way communication goal of 80% and by the end of the year made it to 68% from a starting point of 11%. This goal will be continued. Goal 3 was to reduce chronic absenteeism to 14% and as of May 19th it was 19.3%. There was great progress towards all the goals set for the school year 2024-2025. The proposed goals for the school year 2025-2026(Act 1). Goal 1 is to increase the Math and ELA scores by 3% from the fall to winter and winter to spring. Each of the goals can be revised at the status check time. Goal 2 is to improve the 2-way communication with families to 80%. This is a continued goal from the previous school year, so the staff already is aware and the percentage of achievement may be higher as this becomes a more standard practice. There is a need to contact the parents of the students that are doing great as well as those that are struggling. Goal 3 is a new one based on an initiative from the Nevada department of education. The goal is to decrease the disparity of discipline among African American students within 10% of total African American population which is currently 22.2%. If there are any positions that have an opening at this time any hiring will be put on hold. Count Day will be August 28th and that determines the future budget for the school which will come out in September.

3.0 General Discussion

- 3.1 **School Organization Team. Discussion of the election process for the 2025-2026 Faiss SOT.** The team will be comprised of: one principal, three teachers, one support staff, one student, community members and five parents. Nominations will open on September 8th and voting will be on the 15th. The new SOT will start in October. The student position is open to any student on campus.
- 3.2 **Agenda Planning. Discussion on ideas for future agenda items.** Going over available data and opening celebrations. Budget.

4.0 Information

- 4.1 **Next meeting September 8th, 2025 at 4pm Faiss MS library**

5.0 Public comment period (2 minutes maximum allotted)

6.0 Adjourn - Meeting adjourned Motioned by Jessica 2nd by Tori at 4:39PM.