

Terra Alta Christian Foundation

Minutes

January 5, 2026

7:00 PM

Terra Alta Christian Youth Center

1. Roger called the meeting to order at 7:05.
2. Members present: Roger Lewis, Sean Ball, Rod Bourn by phone, Steve Wise associate member.
3. Prayer was offered by Steve Wise
4. Minutes of November 3rd, 2025 were read and approved.
5. Treasure's report was not available due to Rich's absence.
6. Old Business
 - a. Discussion about New Murals for the Billboard was held. It was felt that no definitive action could take place. The store and parking lot are currently up for sale so the future of our ability to maintain the billboard is uncertain. Until we know the status of the billboard no action can be undertaken. We are going to ask that if the building is sold, for the owner consider giving us a right-a-way and the sign. We also will speak with Ashley Belote and High Hopes art for possible mural designs.
 - b. Murals for Cranberry Medical Clinic. Roger still wants to do a historical time line but is having trouble getting pictures from the 1950-60s.

Shorthorns Parking Lot. Several topics were discussed including a train on the side of the old fire hall, a map with locations of various business/tourist attractions. These could include Shorthorns, High Ground brewery, Portland Coffee, Goodies, Home Slice Pizza, PO2, Ball's Auction, Ball's Outlet, Dollar General, Family Dollar, Cranesville Swamp, Alpine Lake, Allegheny Trail, The History House, Terra Alta Christian Youth Center, Dairy Queen, Shop and Save, Preston Farmers Market.

Other possible locations would include the east side of the old fire building, the West side of PO2, Preston Farmers Market.

Roger will talk with Ashley Bellote and High Hopes Art Collective about themes and possible designs. Sean will get measurements of the possible sites identified

Parking and Signage for Allegheny Trail. Rod has still not been able to get a response from the Preston County Parks and Recreation office.

7. New Business

- a. Due to the absence of 2 members and 1 potential member it was felt that we should delay the election of Board Members and Officers until the next meeting.
 - b. Request from Terra Alta Community Church for assistance in purchasing their church. This was discussed but no action was taken. The purchase price is \$150,000.00 and they are requesting \$50,000.00. Several things related to this was discussed including; a policy that normally we would give up to 20% of the cost of the project, but exceptions could be made, they gave us \$60,000.00 dollars around a year ago, with no true expectation of it being returned, the policy for Restriction gifts had not been developed, part of the original purpose of the Foundation included a means of Churches to place monies with us or individuals to place money in an account for church to have access to in the future and be invested for the benefit of the church.
8. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:09 PM.