

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, AUGUST 20, 2024

5:00 PM – Middle School Commons – Ben Franklin Academy Join Zoom Meeting:

Meeting ID: 885 2841 0614 Passcode: 9tEDvA

MISSION

The mission of Ben Franklin Academy is to develop young adults with character like America's founding Renaissance man, Benjamin Franklin: well-read, scientifically curious, and civically engaged.

VISION

Our students will excel academically through a challenging, sequenced curriculum that emphasizes math, science, the arts, and literacy. We will be a data-driven institution, focusing on individual students. Our students, teachers, parents, staff, and leaders will be held accountable for the success of our school. Finally, we recognize that an education is incomplete without fostering social emotional development, character, sports, and nature.

STRATEGIC GOALS

- 1. Improve educational experience with positive school culture and a focus on enhancement of Middle School Electives
- 2. Maintain financial stability and transparency with a focus on facility management and improvement
- 3. Increase parent satisfaction and engagement and demand for enrollment
- 4. Retain and recruit high quality staff
- 5. Accountability of all stakeholders for the success of BFA
- 6. High functioning Board and quality governance

Board Attendees: Haley Maglieri, Adam Lucero, Sarah Nisbet, Keri Street, Stephen Bentley, Melody Matthews, Justin Mayhall

Other Attendees: Diana Simpson, Jen Jones, Kelley Marie Paulson, Debra and Scott Wylie, Rachelle Calahan, Erika Krantz

Zoom Attendees: Halsley Hoff, Rick Zaccharia, Michael Peterson, Hawkins, Janelle Nichols, Lisa Todd, Hanni McNellis, Megan Rathbun, Abby Jensen, Philip Rehberger, Michael Busbee, Judy Silva, JJ, Vanessa Wikon, Eri Wong, Christiana Sparks, Sheri Dethlefs, NIcole Withee, Christi Jenkins, Lindsay Mayhall, Lisa, Sonya, Melissa, Raegan Hedlund, Paul and Rebecca Rocke, Andie, Kara

Haley calls the meeting to order at 5:30 PM



- Opening Haley Maglieri
 - Welcome/Announcements/Intros
 - Mission/Vision
 - Pledge of Allegiance
 - Amend/Approve Agenda
 - Haley motions to approve the Amended Agenda
 - Stephen seconds the motion
 - The Amended Agenda is unanimously approved

• Consent Agenda – Haley Maglieri

- ➤ May 2024 Meeting Minutes will be approved at the September Board meeting
- Executive session added to end of agenda
 - \circ Haley motions to approve the July 2024 Minutes
 - \circ Keri seconds the motion
 - \circ July Minutes are unanimously approved

• Open Comments – Keri Street

- Remarks are limited to three minutes per person.
- Open comments received before noon on Tuesday, August 20, 2024, were read at the meeting.
 - > 11 open comments were received/read
- Good News From BFA Adam Lucero
 - Discussed Student Code of Conduct
- Treasurer's Report Sarah Nisbet and Halsley Hoff
 - Review June 2024 Financials. The Finance Committee has reviewed and recommended approval of the June/July 2024 Financials.
 - Vote to Approve June and July 2024 Financials
 - > July financials approval moved to September
 - Sarah motions to approve June Financials.
 - Adam seconds the motion
 - June 2024 Financials anonymously approved.
- Policy Review Haley Maglieri
 - BOD Conflict of Interest Policy
 - Book Donation Policy
 - Field Trip Policy
 - Facility Use Policy
 - Conflict Resolution Policy
 - \succ All five (5) Policies reviewed and approved by the Board



- SAC Fall Parent Survey Discussion Melody Matthews
 - Discuss scope of Fall Parent Survey
- PTO Report Keri Street
 - ➤ Written report submitted

• Board Committee Reports

- Facility Committee Adam Lucero
- Community Events Committee Justin Mayhall
- Curriculum Committee Haley Maglieri
- School Accountability Committee Melody Matthews
 Written report submitted
- STEM Committee Stephen Bentley

• Summary with Calendar

- Ben's Brigade Meeting: 8/22
- PTO Family Movie Night: 8/27
- Back to School Night (K-4): 8/27
- Back to School Night (5-8): 8/28
- Labor Day (NO SCHOOL): 9/2
- SAC Monthly Meeting 9/3
- CEC Monthly Meeting: 9/4
- PTO Monthly Meeting: 9/11
- Finance Committee Meeting: 9/13
- September Board Meeting: 9/17

• Executive Session – Board and Diana Simpson

- Convene into executive session pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4)(h) to discuss individual students (a closed session – Diana Simpson invited)
 - ➤ Haley convenes into executive session at 8:26 PM
 - In attendance: Haley Maglieri, Adam Lucero, Sarah Nisbet, Keri Street, Melody Matthews, Stephen Bentley, Justin Mayhall, Diana Simpson
 - ➤ No votes were taken
 - Haley motions to adjourn executive session
 - No objections
 - Haley adjourns executive session at 9:53 PM



• Adjourn

- Haley motions to adjourn the meeting
- Adam seconds the motion
- Haley adjourns the meeting at 9:53 PM

All Ben Franklin Academy (BFA) Board of Directors (Board) meetings are open to the public and are conducted in compliance with Colorado Open Meetings Requirements.

The BFA Board works for the students, parents, and patrons of BFA in promoting the Vision and Mission of the school. Community input that can help the Board meet the challenge of educating children to BFA's high standards is always welcome. Thus, the Board welcomes comments from members of the public during the public comment time set aside on the agenda on any topic.

The Board will respond to public comments at the following meeting. The Board will only take action on items listed on the agenda. For other matters, the Board will receive comments only, and may, at its discretion, refer the matter or calendar the issue for future discussion.

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