

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2024

<u>5:30 PM - Middle School Commons - Ben Franklin Academy</u> Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88528410614?pwd=ejUwNFVPeFVLK0hBQ09Fd3poVk9aUT09</u> 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: 2024-2025

(1) Improve Educational Experience with Positive School Culture and relationships through data from BFA stakeholders.

(2) Maintain Financial Stability and Transparency with a Focus on long-range planning. (3) Increase stakeholder satisfaction and engagement through community impact and volunteerism.

- (4) Retain and Recruit High Quality Staff.
- (5) Accountability of All Stakeholders for the Success of BFA.

(6) High Functioning Board and Quality Governance through increased visibility, transparency and relationships.

In person attendees: Haley Maglieri, Adam Lucero, Sarah Nisbet, Keri Street, Stephen Bentley, Melody Matthews, Diana Simpson (Justin Mayhall not present due to work conflict) Zoom attendees: Alaina, Malias, Andreya, Lindsay, Hawkins, Kathy, K. Porter, M. Peterson, K. Duncan, L. Todd, H. Hoff, Trent, Eri, C. Monis, M. Keillor, Preeo, J. Silva, P. Rehberger, E. Crowe



Haley called 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 amended agenda
 - \circ Sarah seconds motion
 - \circ Amended agenda is unanimously approved by the six (6) Board members in attendance

Consent Agenda - Haley Maglieri

- Approve minutes of November Special Board meeting
 - Haley motions to approve the Consent Agenda to the November 4, 2024 Special Board meeting
 - $\circ\,$ Keri seconds the motion and the Consent Agenda to the November 4, 2024 Special Board meeting is unanimously approved by the six (6) Board members that are present.
- Ratification of July 31 meeting minutes through Board Resolution
 - Haley motions to approve amending the July 31, 2024 meeting minutes to include clarifying purpose of moving into executive session and stating the reason was due to completing Diana Simpson's year-end review
 - $\circ\,$ There are no objections and the six (6) present Board members unanimously agree to approve amending July 31, 2024 meeting minutes through Board Resolution
- Reviewing and amending meeting minutes via Board Resolution to reflect that the requisite vote to enter into executive session was obtained by unanimous consent in the following Board meetings:
 - April 16, 2024
 - May 8, 2024
 - July 31, 2024
 - August 19, 2024
 - August 20, 2024
 - October 22, 2024

 Haley motions to approve amending the meeting minutes via Board Resolution from the six (6) listed Board meetings above

• There are no objections and the six (6) present Board members unanimously approve amending the meeting minutes via Board Resolution from the six (6) meetings listed above



Open Comments - Keri Street

- Remarks will be limited to three minutes per person.
- Open comments submitted through the online form before noon on Tuesday, November 19, 2024 will be read at the meeting.
 - > No open comments submitted or read

Board Bolts - Haley Maglieri

- Recognize November 2024 Board Bolts
 - > The Board recognized eight (8) student Board Bolts

Good News From BFA - Haley Maglieri

- > 98% of our elementary students met their AR reading goals for the trimester
- ➤ Veterans Day was a great celebration
- ➢ Pie drive was successful and well received
- Mid-year iReady testing to begin after Thanksgiving
- ➤ Great participation in the fall parent SAC survey
- > Honor roll assembly is coming up for T1 middle school students
- > Middle school pep rally planned to celebrate the fall sports teams
- > The middle school dance has been rescheduled and will take place in January

 \succ With the introduction of the new READ elective and morning Lexia support, we have had a very large number of students graduate off their read plans at a much faster rate than in the past

Treasurer's Report - Sarah Nisbet and Halsley Hoff

- Review Final 2023 2024 Audit
 - Sarah motions to approve 2023/2024 Audit
 - Haley seconds the motion
 - The 2023/2024 Audit is unanimously approved by the six (6) present Board members
- Review October 2024 Financials. The Finance Committee has reviewed and recommended approval of the October 2024 Financials.
 - Sarah moves to approve the October 2024 Financials
 - Stephen seconds the motion
 - The October 2024 Financials are unanimously approved by the six (6) present Board members
- Vote to Approve the October 2024 Financials
- Review CSIP maturity and discuss term rates
- Review 2024 2025 Revised Budget



Principal's Report - Diana Simpson

Board Succession - Adam Lucero and Justin Mayhall

• Introduction to the Board election process and timeline.

➤ Board elections will take place in April 2025. Two seats will be open: one seat will be elected and one seat will be appointed by the Board. Additional information will be included in future newsletters and emails beginning in December.

PTO Report - Keri Street

➤ PTO report submitted

Board Committee Reports

- CEC Justin Mayhall
- Curriculum Committee Haley Maglieri
- School Accountability Committee Melody Matthews
- Committee Report submitted
- STEM Committee Stephen Bentley

Summary with Calendar

- Thanksgiving Break: Nov. 25-29
- SAC Meeting: Dec. 3
- CEC Meeting: Dec. 4
- PTO Meeting: Dec. 11
- Ben's Brigade: Dec. 12
- Dec. Board Meeting: Dec. 17

Adjourn

- Haley motions to adjourn meeting at 6:59 PM
- $\circ\,$ Adam seconds the motion
- Haley adjourns meeting at 6:59 PM with no objections



All Ben Franklin Academy (BFA) Board of Directors (Board) meetings are open to the public and are conducted in compliance with Colorado Open Meeting 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. This is our opportunity to hear from students, parents and patrons for deliberation and discussion. 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.