



**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MINUTES
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2025**

5:30 PM - Middle School Commons - Ben Franklin Academy

Join Zoom Meeting

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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.



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

Other Attendees: Diana Simpson, Rachelle Calahan

Zoom Attendees: B. Brown, H. Hoff, Hawkins, P. Rehberger, M. Bynum, J. Nichols, L. Dychus, J. Silva, Kathy, Lindsay, L. Mayhall, KM Paulson, Kirsten, JJ, Alaina

Haley calls meeting to order at 5:30 PM

Action

Opening - Haley Maglieri

- Welcome/Announcements/Intros
- Mission/Vision
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Amend/Approve Agenda
 - Suggestion by Sarah to amend one item in Treasurer's Report of Agenda*
 - Haley moves to approve amended agenda
 - Adam seconds the motion
 - The amended agenda is unanimously approved by the six (6) present Board members

Consent Agenda - Haley Maglieri

- Minutes of January Board Meeting
 - Haley moves to approve the January 2025 Consent Agenda
 - Keri seconds the motion
 - The Consent Agenda is unanimously approved by the six (6) present Board members

Open Comments - Keri Street

- Remarks will be limited to three minutes per person.
- Open comments submitted through the online form before noon on Tuesday, February 18, 2025 will be read at the meeting.
 - No open comments were submitted or read

Board Bolts - Haley Maglieri

- Recognize February 2025 Board Bolts
 - Sydney Carney (Preschool)
 - Emery Parocazai (3rd)
 - Audrey Beshany (4th)



- Brooks Neumann (5th)
- Owen Mihok (6th)
- Debra Wylie (5th IA)
- Michelle Ziegler (SPED)
- Kelley Marie Paulson (Comms)
- Emily Pitrone (Student Support)

Good News From BFA - Justin Mayhall

- Fun Valentines Parties for our K-5 classrooms last week. Middle School had fun games and treats during specials.
- Parent-teacher conferences went smoothly, even though we had to pivot to Zoom on Tuesday due to weather
- Elementary is doing Heart Awareness activities all month and raising money for the American Heart Association.
- Middle school Student Council is planning another dance
- Dodgeball for dollars date is set for March 14th
- School charity shirts sold for our charity week

Treasurer's Report - Sarah Nisbet and Halsley Hoff

- Review January 2025 Financials. The Finance Committee has reviewed and recommends approval of the January* 2024 Financials.
- Vote to Approve the January 2025 Financials
 - Sarah moves to approve January 2025 Financials
 - Adam seconds motion
 - January 2025 Financials are unanimously approved by the six (6) present Board members

Principal's Report - Diana Simpson

- Principal's Report read and discussed

Policy Exception Request - Diana Simpson

- Exception to the Grading Policy
 - Board will discuss and vote on Grading Policy exception at March 2025 Board meeting

PTO Report - Keri Street

- PTO submitted



Board Succession Committee - Justin Mayhall

- Discussed dates and deadlines

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

- STEM Committee Meeting: January 23
- Ben's Brigade: January 23
- SAC Meeting: February 4
- CEC Meeting: February 5
- PTO Meeting: February 11
- P/T Conferences: February 11, February 13
- No School: February 14, February 17
- February Board Meeting: February 18

Adjourn

- Haley moves to adjourn meeting
- Keri seconds motion
- Meeting is adjourned at 6:49 PM

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.