



BOARD MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 13, 2011

6:00 – 8:45 PM
Ben Franklin Academy

Attendance: Jason Sanders, Staci Ferguson, Jason Sunahara, Ward Cerny, Matt Matherly, Paige Brock (call-in late), Becky Mullen (late)

- Welcome, approve agenda, and approve minutes (6:00 – 6:10) – Jason Sanders.
 - Jason Sanders moves to approve the agenda.
Staci Ferguson seconds the agenda
5 - Yeas 0 - Nays
 - Jason Sanders moves to approve the minutes from August 31st
Ward Cerny seconds the motion
5 - Yeas 0 - Nays
 - Calendar items (6:10 – 6:15) – Jason Sanders
 - Tomorrow is ribbon cutting ceremony and Back to School Night.
 - Principal Report (6:15 – 6:35) – Bob Barber
 - Breakdown of what Bob will report on each month.
 - Carpool and pick up procedures & policies (6:35 – 7:15) – Jason Sanders
 - Neighbors
 - Mr. and Mrs. Row - Concerned about the parking in the neighborhood. We encourage them and their neighbors to call and/or come and share their concerns and complaints with the board and principal. We want to be good neighbors.
 - Mike McKesson is a parent and a resident in the golf club neighborhood. He offered to help in whatever way he can. He has a good working relationship with the board in the neighborhood.
 - Chris Martin Sr. Traffic engineer with Douglas County- Carpooling is an integral part of the traffic issue. Walkers will help with the traffic. Traffic control plan- going from single lane to double is a good thing. Dave Woolfall is a good asset.
 - Amy Branstetter Traffic Engineer with Douglas County, specializes in schools – Chaos the first day, but it has gotten better. Would like to see more
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carpooling. Does not want to encourage using the neighborhood for walkers. Pass along info (license plate and picture) to sheriff's office. The sheriff's office will issue a warning. Tell parents to take note of these too. People who disobey the laws are teaching their children the same behavior. The police are aware and will be doing enforcement. Thank you for the double pick up lanes. Turn cars off when kids are getting in the car, safer than in park. Every person working on the carpooling should be wearing a vest. Do not park in the neighborhoods during the all school events.

- Afternoon pickup
 - Preschool siblings are getting out 15 min early. Bob and Kristen will talk more about options and if it is a problem.
 - An option is let kids out on time, but the preschool kids with older siblings will need to wait and be in zone 1 with siblings when school lets out.
- Walkers
- Kindie pickup
- School visitors (7:15 – 7:20) – Jason Sanders
 - All visitors need to wear a badge, even board members.
- School mascot discussion (7:20 – 7:25) – Becky Mullen
 - Develop a plan to adopt a mascot
 - Top 2 were Bolts and Patriots, kids will vote.
- Grants (7:25 – 7:35) – Paige Brock
 - Jason Sanders makes a motion to give Paige Brock and 1 other board member authority to submit and approve grants up to \$50K.
Jason Sunahara seconds the motion
6 – Yeas 0 – Nays Paige Brock abstains
 - Jason Sanders makes a motion to ratify submittal of the IEEE grant.
Jason Sunahara seconds the motion
7 – Yeas 0 – Nays
 - Playground – the grant is not realistic for the end of September. A Pepsi refresh project. Needs recommendation for the playground.
 - Where we need the dollars the most.
- Building expansion (7:35 – 7:50) – Jason Sanders
 - Have 28 classrooms, need 29 classrooms next year.
 - Portables are expensive, do we start working on expansion?
Need 1 more next year, need 13 at full.
Expand this building, 6 on each level.
Start our Middle school across the parking lot
- PAC (7:50 – 8:00) – Andrea Day
 - Pick-Up / Drop-Off has been the most
 - Wants to do a Veterans Day

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- PTO (8:00 – 8:10) – Shelly Dana
 - Tables will be set up in the gym
- STEM (8:10 – 8:20) – Matt Matherly
 - Will have flyers at Back to School Night. We will also have banner that can be reused.
- Finances (8:20 – 8:30) – Ward Cerny
 - Request for a proposal for an auditor. Hope to have someone chosen by the end of the month.
 - Feels good about our financials. Still need to be frugal though.
 - Feels we will get a line of credit at 1st Bank (\$125,000), already have \$25,000 with UMB.
- Open Comments (8:30 – 8:45) – Jason Sanders
 - Kristi Morris – Disappointed that the speed limit on Plaza cannot be reduced.
- Adjourn (8:45)
 - Jason Sanders moves to adjourn
Staci Ferguson seconds the motion,