



BOARD MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2012

8:15 AM
Ben Franklin Academy Conference Room
Call in: 712-432-3100 – passcode 575423

Attendance: Jason Sanders, Paige Brock, Jason Sunahara, Staci Ferguson, Ward Cerny, Matt Matherly, and Becky Mullen

- Opening
 - Welcome
 - Amend/approve agenda
 - Briefly discuss plan to spend excess Highmark funds
 - We have 6 rooms are empty now, it would be nice to use them and prevent them from becoming storage.
 - Teachers have mentioned they don't like the library, not inviting and warm.
 - Want to make it a library of the 21st century.
 - Research area
 - More electronics
 - Fencing by the stairs on plaza, on the back drive, and loading zone B.
 - The spot under the stairs in the preschool/kindergarten area as an office for the preschool.
 - Motion: approve Principal Barber to spend up to \$90K of the excess construction budget from Highmark.
 - Jason Sunahara makes a motion to spend up to \$90K of the excess construction budget from Highmark, excluding the playground from Highmark's excess budget.
 - Becky Mullen seconds the motion
 - The motion is unanimously approved. Ward Cerny was not on the line when the vote was taken.
 - Open Comments
 - Remarks will be limited to three minutes
 - December 12th, Bob Barber is planning the staff breakfast
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- Adjourn
 - Jason Sanders moves to adjourn.
 - Jason Sunahara seconds the motion.
 - The motion is unanimously approved.

All board meetings are open to the public and are conducted in compliance with Colorado Open Meeting Requirements.

The Ben Franklin Academy Board works for the students, parents and patrons of Ben Franklin Academy in promoting the vision and mission of the school. Community input that can help the Board meet the challenge of educating our children to our 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 may choose to respond to public comments during this open forum but is not required to do so. 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.

This is our opportunity to hear from students, parents and patrons for deliberation and discussion.

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, 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 the arts, sports, nature, and character.