



BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2019

5:30 P.M. Board Meeting
Conference Call Only
Call-In Number (Listen Only): 1-857-232-0159
Participant Code: 453590

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.

STRATEGIC GOALS

1) improve educational experience on continual basis; 2) maintain financial stability; 3) increase parent satisfaction and demand for enrollment; 4) promote staff and professional development; 5) maintain and develop facility; and 6) renew Charter Contract by June 30, 2024.

Attendees: Bill Castor, Bryan Molen, Sarah Nisbet, Matt Keillor Courtney Jurbala, Steve Haas, Burgandy Hodge, Diane Simpson

Bill calls meeting to order at 6:02 pm

- Opening (5 minutes)
 - Welcome/Announcements
 - Mission/Vision
 - Pledge of Allegiance
 - Amend/Approve Agenda
 - Bill moves to approve the agenda
 - Burgandy seconds the motion
 - The motion to approve the agenda is unanimously approved

- Consent Agenda (2 minutes) – Bill Castor
 - Approve Minutes from the September 17, 2019 Board Meeting
 - Bill moves to approve the consent agenda
 - Courtney seconds the motion
 - The motion to approve the consent agenda is unanimously approved



- Open Comments (3 minutes/person) – Courtney Jurbala (Strategic Plan Goal #3)
 - Remarks will be limited to three minutes per person. Please see guidelines at end of agenda.
 - Open comments submitted through the online form before noon on Monday, September 23, 2019, will be read at the meeting.
 - 14 comments submitted
 - 11 comments protesting the decision to cut fundraising

- Discussion and vote on 2020-2021 Academic Calendar – Bill
 - Bill moves to approve the 2020-2021 Academic Calendar “B”
 - Courtney seconds the motion
 - The motion to approve the 2020-2021 Academic Calendar “B” unanimously approved

- Discussion and vote on how to address concerns regarding current limitation of fundraising efforts for the 8th Grade trip to Washington D.C. and Disney trip.
 - We will move the discussion to the October Board meeting for resolution

- Summary (5 minutes) – Bill
- Calendar:

September 27:	STEAM Expo.
September 30:	Spirit Week
October 7:	Cancer Awareness Week
October 8:	Parent – Teacher Conferences
October 8:	October Board Meeting
October 14 - 18:	Fall Break

- Review Action Items
- Review Votes
- Adjourn
 - Bill moves to adjourn at 6:57 pm
 - Courtney seconds the motion
 - The motion to adjourn is unanimously approved

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.

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.

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