



BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2024

5:30 PM – Zoom Only – DCSD closed due to weather

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

- 1) Improve educational experience with positive school culture and a focus on enhancement of Middle School Electives
- 2) Maintain financial stability and transparency with a focus on facility management and improvement
- 3) Increase parent satisfaction and engagement and demand for enrollment
- 4) Retain and recruit high quality staff
- 5) Accountability of all stakeholders for the success of BFA
- 6) High functioning Board and quality governance
- 7) Renew Charter Contract by June 30, 2024

Board Attendees: Haley Maglieri, Adam Lucero, Stephen Bentley, Mette Castor, Melody Matthews, Sarah Nisbet, Keri Street

Other Attendees: Diana Simpson

Zoom Attendees: Halsley Hoff, Hawkins, Janelle Nichols, Christi Jenkins, Michelle Bynum, SAC Chair, Niketa Saboo, Judy Silva, Lindsay, Lyndell Dunn, Greg Todd, Justin Mayhall, Sheri Dethlefs, Cyndi Perry, Chandra Monis

Haley calls the meeting to order at 5:31 PM

- **Opening – Haley Maglieri**
 - Welcome/Announcements/Intros
 - Mission/Vision
 - Pledge of Allegiance
 - Amend/Approve Agenda

- Haley motions to approve the Agenda
 - Sarah seconds the motion
 - The Agenda is unanimously approved
- **Consent Agenda – Haley Maglieri**
 - Approve Minutes of the December 19, 2023 Board Meeting
 - Haley motions to approve the Consent Agenda
 - Mette seconds the motion
 - The Consent Agenda is unanimously approved
- **Open Comments – Mette Castor**
 - Remarks are limited to three minutes per person. See guidelines below.
 - Open comments received before noon on Tuesday, January 16, 2024 were read at the meeting.
 - One open comment was submitted/read
- **Good News From BFA – Melody Matthews**
 - We received the John Irwin Award
 - Middle School girls basketball starts next week
- **Board BOLTS – Haley Maglieri**
 - Recognize January 2024 Board BOLTS
 - Cooper Doolittle and Sawyer Doolittle
- **Treasurer’s Report – Sarah Nisbet and Halsley Hoff**
 - Review December 2023 Financials. The Finance Committee has reviewed and recommends approval of the December Financials.
 - Vote to approve the December Financials.
 - Sarah motions to approve the December Financials
 - Keri seconds the motion
 - The December Financials are unanimously approved
 - Review and Approve Finance Committee Bylaws
 - Sarah motions to approve the Finance Committee Bylaws
 - Haley seconds the motion
 - The Finance Committee Bylaws are unanimously approved
- **Principal’s Report – Diana Simpson**
 - Principal Simpson discussed her report (written report submitted)
- **SAC Fall Survey Presentation – SAC and Melody Matthews**
- **SAC Spring Survey Review – Melody Matthews**
- **Board Succession Planning – Adam Lucero and Keri Street**
- **PTO Report – Keri Street**
 - Written report submitted
- **Board Committee Reports**
 - Facility Committee – Adam Lucero
 - Community Events Committee – Mette Castor

- Curriculum Committee – Haley Maglieri/Keri Street
- School Accountability Committee – Melody Matthews
- STEM Committee – Stephen Bentley

- **Summary with Calendar**

Winter Break	December 25-January 5
CEC Meeting	January 9
PTO Meeting	January 10
No School/MLK Day	January 15
January Board Meeting	January 16
Ben Franklin’s Birthday	January 17

- **Closing**

- Review Action Items
- Review Votes
- Future Agenda Items

- **Adjourn**

- Haley motions to adjourn the meeting
- Mette seconds the motion
- Haley adjourns the meeting at 7:16 PM

All Ben Franklin Academy (BFA) Board of Directors (Board) meetings are open to the public and are conducted in compliance with Colorado Open Meetings 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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