



BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2024

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

- 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, Melody Matthews, Sarah Nisbet, Keri Street

Other Attendees: Diana Simpson

Zoom Attendees: Halsley Hoff, Hawkins, Janelle Nichols, Judy Silva, Lindsay, Greg Todd, Chandra Monis, Kara's iphone, Celeste, David W, Heather Kimball, Hanni McNellis, JJ, Jim and Andreyra

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 move approval of January 16, 2024 meeting minutes to March meeting
 - Sarah seconds the motion
 - The amended Agenda is unanimously approved
- **Consent Agenda – Haley Maglieri**
 - Approve Minutes of the January 16, 2024 Board Meeting
 - Approval moved to March meeting
- **Open Comments – Mette Castor**
 - Remarks are limited to three minutes per person. See guidelines below.
 - Open comments received before noon on Tuesday, February 20, 2024 were read at the meeting.
 - No open comments were submitted/read
- **Good News From BFA – Adam Lucero**
 - Strong attendance at Parent/Teacher Conferences
 - Our charter was renewed!!
 - Valentine’s parties/celebrations were a success
 - Cherry Creek Arts Festival art installation throughout the building – MS students are docents for younger kids
 - 2 MS students made it to the regional Spelling Bee
 - 2nd grade finished up with South America day
 - School musical is coming up
 - Boys volleyball starts in March
- **Board BOLTS – Haley Maglieri**
 - Recognize February 2024 Board BOLTS
 - Owen Kingham, Charlize Ryan, Maverick Kellond, Noraa Dial, Dylan Schlenker, Molly Anderson, Braden Dimond, Mrs. Wall’s class, Walker Corson
- **Treasurer’s Report – Sarah Nisbet and Halsley Hoff**
 - Review January 2024 Financials. The Finance Committee has reviewed and recommends approval of the January Financials.
 - Vote to approve the January Financials.
 - Sarah motions to approve the January Financials
 - Keri seconds the motion
 - The January Financials are unanimously approved
- **Principal’s Report – Diana Simpson**
 - Principal Simpson discussed her report (written report submitted)
- **Board Succession Planning – Adam Lucero and Keri Street**
- **PTO Report – Keri Street**
 - Written report submitted
- **Board Committee Reports**
 - Facility Committee – Adam Lucero

- School Accountability Committee – Melody Matthews
- STEM Committee – Stephen Bentley

- **Summary with Calendar**

Ben’s Brigade Meeting	February 22
PTO Spirit Night	February 23
CEC Meeting	March 5
SAC Meeting	March 7
PTO Meeting	March 13
Spring Break	March 18-22

- **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 6:55 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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