

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2025

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: 2025-2026

- (1) Focus on the use of emerging technologies (e.g., AI) by students and staff, including overall device usage for school-related purposes.
- (2) Provide a developmentally appropriate educational experience that supports continuous growth from Pre-K 8th grade.
- (3) Maintain financial stability and transparency with a focus on the future.
- (4) Promote engagement through effective communication and collaboration.
- (5) Hold all stakeholders accountable to BFA's policies and procedures.

Board attendees: H. Maglieri, A. Lucero, J. Mayhall, M. Matthews, S. Bentley, J. Dawson, T.

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Other Attendees: Diana Simpson, Michael Peterson



Zoom Attendees: Halsley Hoff, Bynum, KM Paulson, Andreya, Richard Zaccaria, Alaina, Greg T, Hanni McNellis, Lindsay, Mark, Kristin Clark-Bretch

Haley calls the meeting to order at 5:30 pm

Action

Opening - Haley Maglieri

- Welcome/Announcements/Intros
- Mission/Vision
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Amend/Approve Agenda
 - O Haley moves to approve agenda
 - Melody seconds
 - August 19, 2025 agenda is unanimously approved by all seven (7) voting Board members

Consent Agenda - Haley Maglieri

- Approve Minutes of July 29, 2025 Board Retreat (Working Session)
 - Haley moves to approve minutes
 - o Stephen seconds
 - July 29, 2025 Board Retreat Minutes is unanimously approved by all seven (7) voting Board members

Open Comments - Melody Matthews

- Remarks will be limited to three minutes per person.
- Individuals who register to provide an open comment submitted through the online form before noon on Tuesday, August 19, 2025 will be called upon during this portion of the meeting.
 - 0 in person/online open comments

Good News from BFA - Adam Lucero

- Elementary school very smooth in first few days (students respectful and well behaved)
- New teachers and aides started, teams of employees have been inviting and helpful, staff team is strong, and culture very positive
- New scoreboard in the big gym



- New students in middle school were excited and complementary of BFA (nice facilities and classrooms, like choosing electives).
- Seventy-two new families joining BFA
- Day one carpool a "record ending" close to 4:15
- Great turn-out for Meet and Greet

Board Bolts - Haley Maglieri

- Recognize August 2025 Board Bolts
 - Lilly Malloy (K)
 - Staci Ferguson (Staff/1st)
 - Isabella Dawson (4th)
 - Emery Leverson (5th)
 - 5th grade staff

Review Strategic Goals for Community - Haley Maglieri

Discussion regarding strategic goals for 25-26 school year

Treasurer's Report - Justin Mayhall and Halsley Hoff

- Review June 2025 Financials. The Finance Committee has reviewed and recommends approval of the June 2025 Financials.
 - July/August Financials will be reviewed at September Board meeting
- Vote to Approve the June 2025 Financials
 - O Justin moves to approve June 2025 Financials
 - Joe seconds
 - June 2025 Financials are unanimously approved by all seven (7) voting Board members

Principal's Report - Diana Simpson

Report read and discussed

Policy Review - Haley Maglieri

- Student Attendance Policy
 - Haley moves to approve amended Student Attendance Policy
 - Justin seconds
 - O Student Attendance Policy is unanimously approved by all seven (7) voting Board



members

- Assistance for Qualified Free & Reduced Lunch Recipients
 - Haley moves to approve amended Assistance for Qualified Free & Reduced Lunch Recipients
 - Trent seconds
 - O Assistance for Qualified Free & Reduced Lunch Recipients is unanimously approved by all seven (7) voting Board members
- Inventory Management Policy
 - Haley moves to approve amended Inventory Management Policy
 - Trent seconds
 - Inventory Management Policy is unanimously approved by all seven (7) voting Board members
- Traffic and Parking Management Plan and Procedures
 - Began reviewing but tabled until September Board meeting

PTO Report - Trent Ongert

• Written report submitted and reviewed

Board Committee Reports

- CEC Melody Matthews
- SAC Joe Dawson
- STEM Stephen Bentley

Summary with Calendar

- Ben's Brigade Meeting: August 21
- Back to School Night (K-4): August 26
- Back to School Night (5-8): August 27
- Labor Day (No School): September 1
- SAC Monthly Meeting: September 2
- CEC Monthly Meeting: September 3
- PTO Monthly Meeting: September 10
- Finance Committee Meeting: September 11
- September Board Meeting: September 16

Adjourn



- Haley moves to adjourn August 19, 2025 Board meeting
- Adam seconds
- O August 19, 2025 Board meeting is adjourned at 7:37 pm

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

The Board may respond to public comments at the following meeting. 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.