BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 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 of Directors

Board attendees: H Maglieri, A Lucero, J Mayhall, M Matthews, S Bentley, J Dawson, T Ongert
Other Attendees: Diana Simpson, Richard Zaccaria, Michael Peterson, Michelle Bynum
Zoom Attendees: Km Paulson, Greg Todd, Halsley Hoff, Erin's iPhone, Christiana, DW iPhone, Shannon Reddy, Martina Lee, Alaina's iPhone, Celeste's iPhone, Michelle's 14+

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
    - Haley moves to approve Agenda
    - Trent seconds
    - September 16, 2025 Agenda is unanimously approved by all seven (7) voting Board members

Consent Agenda - Haley Maglieri

- Approve Minutes of August Board meeting
    - Haley moves to approve Minutes
    - Justin seconds
    - August 19, 2025 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, September 16, 2025 will be called upon during this portion of the meeting.
    - 0 in-person/online open comments

Board Bolts - Haley Maglieri

- Recognize September 2025 Board Bolts
    - Hugo Proano (6th)
    - Kenton Mullenix (7th)
    - Megan Wach (Staff)
    - Alyson Henbest (Staff)
    - Kaleigh Fritzsche (Staff)

Good News From BFA - Joe Dawson

- 7th grade had a great time at Outdoor Ed
- Middle School sports off to a great start
- Middle School Student Council began
- Monthly Middle School assembly & positivity superstars
- Middle School Ben & Brews (student-run coffee shop offering drinks to staff) beginning
- Elementary School fall iReady diagnostics data shows good achievement
- Elementary teachers starting bully-proofing lessons to benefit BFA culture
- Morning Lexia program began & high participation numbers
- Goodies with Grandparents had over 200 more attendants than last year
- Honored many "POP Stars" for positivity

Treasurer's Report - Justin Mayhall and Halsley Hoff

- Review July and August 2025 financials. The Finance Committee has reviewed and recommends approval of the July and August 2025 financials
- Vote to Approve the July 2025 Financials.
    - Justin moves to approve the July financials
    - Melody seconds
    - July financials unanimously approved by all seven (7) voting Board members
- Vote to Approve the August 2025 Financials.
    - Justin moves to approve the August financials
    - Stephen seconds
    - August financials unanimously approved by all seven (7) voting Board members

Principal's Report - Diana Simpson

- Report read and discussed
    - CMAS overview

SAC Fall Parent Survey - SAC and Joe Dawson

- Review information pertaining to Fall parent survey
    - One question added to the previous survey question list regarding specials classes
    - Haley moves to approve Fall Parent Survey question addition
    - Melody seconds
    - SAC Fall Parent Survey question unanimously approved by all seven (7) voting Board members

Policy Review - Haley Maglieri

- Carpool Procedures
    - Reviewed carpool procedural document for website posting; no vote required
- Dress Code Policy
    - Haley moves to approve Dress Code Policy
    - Melody seconds
    - Dress Code Policy is unanimously approved by all seven (7) voting Board members

PTO Report - Trent Ongert

- Written report submitted and reviewed
    - PTO/CEC/STEM Committee leads meeting ("Heads of State" meeting) scheduled for 10/27 at 6:30 pm

Board Committee Reports

- CEC - Melody Matthews
- School Accountability Committee - Joe Dawson
- STEM Committee - Stephen Bentley

Summary with Calendar

- No School: September 19
- STEM Committee Meeting: September 18
- CEC Monthly Meeting: October 1
- Franklin Fest: October 4
- SAC Monthly Meeting: October 7
- Parent Teacher Conferences: October 7/9
- No School: October 10
- Fall Break: October 13-17
- October Board Meeting: October 21
- PTO Monthly Meeting: October 22

Adjourn

- Haley moves to adjourn
- Adam seconds
- September 16, 2025 meeting is adjourned at 7:35 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.