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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MINUTES  
TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2026**

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**5:00 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 (via Zoom), S Bentley, J Dawson, T Ongert

**In-Person Attendees:** D Simpson, M Peterson, M Bynum, KM Paulson

**Zoom Attendees:** Meghan Rathbum, Richard Zaccaria, Davin Anderson, Erin's iPhone, Halsley Hoff, Alaina, Stephanie, Andrey, Lindsay, Jen Jones, alias "BFA Board Permits Racism," David W, Sandy Hayes, Alyssa Gale Freund, Jenelle Nichols, Kristin Clark-Bretch, Christi Jenkins, Rachelle Calahan, Keri Street, Malia's iPhone, V Wilson, Abby Jenson



**Haley calls the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.**

***Action***

**Opening - Haley Maglieri**

- Welcome/Announcements/Intros
- Mission/Vision
- Pledge of Allegiance

**Board Succession Committee - Justin Mayhall and Trent Ongert**

- Candidate Introductions and Interviews
  - Ian Hebert
  - Trish Anderson
  - Shaina Workman
  - Cassie Roberts
  - Erin Wiley
  - Curtis Anderson
  - Breanna King
  - Seth Glaze

**Consent & Amend Agenda - Haley Maglieri**

- Minutes of February 17, Board Meeting
  - Haley moves to approve Minutes of February 17, 2026 Board Meeting
  - Joe seconds
  - February 17, 2026 Minutes unanimously approved by all seven (7) voting Board members
- Amend/Approve Agenda
  - Haley moves to approve Amended Agenda of March 24, 2026 Board Meeting to include financial reviews of 2025-2026 Final Revised Budget and 2026-2027 proposed budget plan
  - Justin seconds
  - March 24, 2026 Amended Agenda unanimously approved by all seven (7) voting Board members

**Open Comments - Melody Matthews**

- Remarks will be limited to three minutes per person. Those who register to provide an open comment submitted through the online form before noon on Tuesday, March 24, 2026 will be called upon during this portion of the meeting.
  - One open comment registration received; registered speaker gave comment



### **Board Bolts - Haley Maglieri**

- Recognize March 2026 Board Bolts
  - Adelynn Lambert (Preschool)
  - Payten Jensen (4<sup>th</sup>)
  - Emmett Ongert (5<sup>th</sup>)
  - Addie Cottrell (5<sup>th</sup>)
  - Quincy Guerrero (7<sup>th</sup>)
  - Ben Murray (7<sup>th</sup>)
  - Jen Jones (Staff)

### **Good News From BFA - Trent Ongert**

- Preschool celebrated author Dr. Seuss with his stories and engaging in related activities
- 2nd grade in the middle of immigration unit/project and tagboard presentations
- 5th grade attended Young Ameritowne
- MS Dodgeball for Dollars successful
- MS boys volleyball and girls soccer beginning
- Charity week a success with high students participation; Backpack Society remarked BFA food donation was largest single donation received

### **Treasurer's Report - Justin Mayhall and Halsley Hoff**

- Review February Financials. The Finance Committee has reviewed and recommends approval of the February Financials.
- Vote to Approve the February 2026 Financials
  - Justin moves to approve February Financials
  - Adam seconds
  - February Financials unanimously approved by all seven (7) voting Board members
- Review 2025-2026 Final Revised Budget changes
- Review 2026-2027 proposed budget plan

### **Delayed Start Friday - Board and Principal Simpson**

- Discussion
  - No motion presented, schedule remains same for 2026-2027 school year

### **Principal's Report - Diana Simpson**

- Report read and discussed
- Policy Exception Request - Dance Dress code
  - Dance Dress code will remain same



### **Policy Review - Haley Maglieri and Diana Simpson**

- Review policy language
- Vote on Bullying Policy
  - Haley moves to approve Bullying Policy
  - Trent seconds
  - Bullying Policy unanimously approved by all seven (7) voting Board members

### **Board Succession - Justin Mayhall and Trent Ongert**

- Elections update and voting/selection process and timeline discussed

### **PTO Report - Trent Ongert**

- Written report submitted and reviewed

### **Board Committee Reports**

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

### **Summary with Calendar**

- Ben's Brigade Meeting: March 26
- Board of Directors Voting Opens: April 1
- CEC Meeting: April 1
- PTO Meeting: April 8
- Board of Directors Voting Ends: April 15
- April Board Meeting: April 21
- BFA 15 Year Celebration: April 23

### **Adjourn**

- Haley moves to adjourn
- Trent seconds
- March 24, 2026 Board meeting is adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

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.