

Benjamin Franklin Classical Charter Public School (BFCCPS)

Board of Trustees Meeting

Thursday, December 11, 2014 7:00 pm

Attendance: President - Don Tappin; Vice President - Ted Basile; Treasurer - Jerry Cimmino; Clerk - Sagar Karmathi; Jason Fine; Sandy Frongillo ; Cross Barnes; Lax Iyer; John Williams, Head of School - Heather Zolnowski; Asst. Head of School - Joe Perna

Absent: Joe Mullen

Call to Order (7:15 pm):

Don welcomed everyone.

Recognition of the Month:

Members of Student Government (Saketh Saipalli – President, Haley Dion - PCO head of school rep, and Ann Noon) along with facility advisors (Matt Velky) updated the BOT on class issues. Topics of interest among the students were improving the lunch menu and tweaking the dress code to allow sports jerseys to be worn on game days.

Open Comment period (7:20 pm):

Ken Martin, BFCCPS parent, introduced himself to the BOT is interested in volunteering for a committee / BOT positions at the school at some point in future.

Clerks Report (7:30 pm):

Minutes from the previous BOT meeting were reviewed. After some grammatical corrections, Ted Basile made a motion to accept the minutes. It was seconded by Cross Barnes.

HOS Report (7:50 PM):

Heather discussed the December HOS report. Highlights are: enrollment of 449, successful completing of an arts block, and a description of recent hires.

Governance Committees: (8:00 pm):

- Action Register: Don reported on the progress of the action register.
- Treasures Report: Jerry presented the monthly financial report.
- General information about the financial RFS responses was discussed. A decision was made to allow the Finance Committee to negotiate with the institutions that are interested in financing the school's expansion. The results will be reported back to the BOT.
- HR committee report. John met with Heather to discuss HOS goals. This year's faculty and staff survey will be re-worked to better align with HOS Goals.
- Heather will add a communications goal to the 14' /15' HOS goals document.

Annual Appeal Update (8:30 pm):

- Letters were sent to the homes of Franklin Students and Faculty.
- Heather will check to see if the appeal letter was sent to BOT members and out-of-townners.

Adjournment (8:45 pm):

Jason Fine made a motion to adjourn. John Williams seconded the motion.