

Benjamin Franklin Classical Charter Public School (BFCCPS)

Board of Trustees Meeting

Thursday, April 9, 2015 7:00 pm

Attendance: Vice President - Ted Basile; Treasurer - Jerry Cimmino; Clerk - Sagar Kamarthi; Jason Fine; Lax Iyer; John Williams, Joe Mullen; Head of School - Heather Zolnowski; Sandy Frongillo (7:15)

Absent: President - Don Tappin; Cross Barnes; Sandy Frongillo; Asst. Head of School - Joe Perna

Call to Order: (7:10 pm)

Ted welcomed everyone.

Open Comment period (7:15 pm):

No comments

Recognition of the Month (7:20):

None

Clerks Report (7:20 pm):

Minutes from the previous BOT meeting were reviewed and edited. Joe Mullen made a motion to accept the minutes which was seconded by John Williams. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurers Report (7:25 pm):

Jerry noted that there have not been any significant changes from last month and the projected operating income for the year is \$103K.

HOS Report (7:50 PM):

Heather discussed the April HOS report. Highlights are:

- Successful visit and presentation by Dr. Michael Pistiner regarding food allergy awareness
- French and Latin exams were given in March and BFCCPS had the highest number of gold and silver medals ever
- Other than 1 student who needs to make up the exam, PARCC testing is done and was a great success due to the flexibility of the staff. The schedule for year-end testing has been changed to doing 2 sections per day instead of 1
- BFCCPS has committed to Heifer International for 5 years for our School Wide Community Service Project
- BFCCPS has once again been awarded the 2015 National Support Music School of Merit Award as part of the NAMM Best Communities for Music Education recognition
- Discussion of facility issues
- Discussion of staffing changes and openings and efforts to find student teachers

Action Register (8:10):

There was a discussion of which skills would be beneficial to add to the board.

Nomination Coordinator Update (8:20):

We have received 1 inquiry so far and no applications. We agreed to advertise on social media in an effort to create more interest.

Faculty Representative Update (8:25):

No issues to report

Committee Updates (8:26):**Governance:**

- No update

Mission

- No update

HR

- Faculty survey is being completed and will be distributed shortly

Finance

- Next year will likely be less profitable due to the purchase of ELA textbooks and the rate of salary increases relative to tuition revenue

Additional Business (8:45):

The Red Brick Schoolhouse lease extension was discussed. Jason Fine made a motion to sign the lease extension and Lax Iyer seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The addenda to the contract with Charter School Support Services (CSSS) were discussed.

- Jason Fine made a motion to accept and sign the contract as written and Sagar Kamarthi seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- A motion was made to grant the authority to provide "Notice to Proceed" to CSS, as described in section 3 of the addenda, to the President and Treasurer of the board by Joe Mullen and seconded by Jason Fine. The motion passed unanimously. It was noted that the Board's intention is to allow the President OR the Treasurer to provide said notice.

Move into Executive Session (9:00):

Ted explains reasons for requesting that the BOT move into executive session and takes roll call vote. The BOT will not reconvene in open session.

Ted Basile - Yes

Jerry Cimmino - Yes

Sagar Karmathi - Yes

Jason Fine - Yes

Joe Mullen - Yes

Sandy Frongillo - Yes

Lax Iyer - Yes

John Williams - Yes

John Williams exits Executive Session (9:45)

Meeting Adjourns (10:00) Lax make motion to adjourn meeting, Jason seconds