

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN CLASSICAL CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOL
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Thursday, May 11, 2006, 7:30 PM
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Minutes

Attendance: Laureen Pfizenmaier, Rich Frongillo, John Neas, Stan Zatkowski, Mark Kripp, Janice Foley, Jack McCarthy, Colleen Brown, Michele Pearl, Virginia LaGanke, Katy Donovan

MEETING AGENDA

7:30 Call to Order

Moment of Silence

John Neas read a statement from the Board conveying our deep desire to pilot the school forward, to listen to the community and to be proactive and responsive to the needs of the school.

Open Comment

Secretary's Report

Approved minutes from 3/16, 3/29, 4/12, 5/2

HOS Report attached

Only thing to note above that is that the site visit from the DOE is expected between January and June 07.

Treasurer's Report

The finance committee confirms that the current budget is forecasting a surplus of 160K.

Motion to Approve 2006-2007 Budget, see attached

Approved.

Motion to vote on 2006-2007 Academic Year Calendar with the addition to the front page of the statement about absence due to observance of religious holidays.

Approved.

Motion on 2006-2007 Board Meeting Dates (see attached) with change of Sept 14 to Sept 7 because of conflict with parent information night. Dates will be posted to the web.

Approved.

Discussion on Drafted Code of Conduct

The version presented at this Board meeting reflected feedback from five open meetings and one formal faculty meeting as well as multiple email distributions to the faculty through April and May, but continues to be a work in progress. There were several

comments made on specific pieces of the language of the code of conduct. The feedback from tonight will be incorporated and sent out for legal review next week. The hope is that a final draft can be presented to the community and become part of the agreement for faculty. This is the beginning piece of the development of a code for all community members, but is the piece that because of faculty renewals demanded priority for completion.

HOS Task Force Report see attached.

1. Motion: To approve the hiring of an interim school leader until a formal administrative structure is determined and hired. Approved
2. Motion: To appoint the existing task force (Katy, Stan, Mark, Colleen and Lauren) to make a recommendation to the Board for the selection of an interim leader. Approved
3. Motion: That if, by July 1, an interim school leader has not been identified, that the Board appoint a management committee as defined in the Task Force recommendations that will consist of 2 Board members, all current direct reports to the HOS for the purpose of assuming the responsibilities that currently fall to the HOS. Approved.
4. Motion: to appoint task force to establish a new structure for the HOS

The Board of Trustees is calling for volunteers to be members of a task force to examine administrative structures in anticipation of our search for new school leadership. Please contact Janice Foley at janifoley@verizon.net or 617-823-5555 by Wednesday, May 24th if you are interested in being part of this effort.

A task force will be established to bring a candidates for the position of HR consultant to work with the school. Interviews with such candidates will be posted. One is scheduled for 5/19.

Motion: to extend meeting and voting abilities beyond 10pm.
Approved.

Motion to approve Joe Perna as new faculty Board representative to replace Sue Davis who resigned before the end of her term.
Approved

Motion to vote on Mission Committee Task Force Leaders as presented.
Stan excused himself from this vote because his name is on the Mission Committee slate of nominees.
Approved.
Mission Committee task force leaders are as follows
Academic – Katherine Ginnetty
Community service – open

Character Education – Deb Zatkowski

Parents as Primary Educators- Stan Zatkowski

There will be an open call for members once a slate of tasks has been compiled.

Motion to Vote on New Board Members

Mark Kripp excused himself from voting and exited the meeting. To be endorsed as a Board member, a candidate needed to have a 2/3 majority, or 7 votes of the 10 members left voting.

A total of 6 votes were taken by the sitting members to the new Board members are:

Mark Kripp

Lori Clements

Anna dos Santos

Charles Mayo

Catherine Tomaso

They are formally invited to attend the June 06 meeting, and will begin their term at the July 06 meeting.

11:00 Motion to Adjourn.

Approved.