

Benjamin Franklin Classical Charter Public School
Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Approved Minutes
Thursday, March 15, 2007, 8:00pm
BFCCPS Library

Attendance: Mark Kripp, Treasurer and President Pro Tem, Colleen Brown, Lori Clements, Clerk Pro Tem, Anna dos Santos, Chuck Mayo, Jen Moccia, Michele Pearl, Joe Perna (Faculty Rep), Cathy Tomaso, HOS Dr. Kevin O'Malley.

Absent: John Neas, Lauren Pfizenmaier, Rich Frongillo, Jack McCarthy

Call to order at 8:07 p.m.

President Pro Tem Mark Kripp noted that a quorum was present.

Mark reviewed the limited purpose of this meeting, which is discussion and vote on the Proposal for the Organizational Structure of BFCCPS. Dr. O'Malley, Anna dos Santos, and Cathy Tomaso submitted this proposal was submitted at the March board meeting.

As the discussion began, Mark reminded the Board of its prior action regarding the establishment of a Leadership Council and Pillar Council. Several points were raised as we clarified what action we were voting on. Anna suggested that the motion contain language to endorse or express support for all the recommendations in the report, including retiring the role of Dean, and specifically authorize the position of Assistant Head of School. Lori reminded the Board that the day-to-day operations are within the HOS' authority, not the Board's. Michele cautioned against micro-managing job titles and functions. Dr. O'Malley expressed his appreciation for the board establishing and respecting a very definite line between its authority and his as HOS. He urged us to maintain that line with this vote.

Joe Perna offered feedback on the proposal from the faculty. The comments he received were positive, and appreciation was expressed for the board postponing its vote on the proposal until after the faculty had been informed of the details.

It was determined that the appropriate vote would be to establish an Assistant Head of School position, and a motion was made.

MOTION: by Michele/Lori to establish the position of Assistant Head of School, to be filled as soon as possible.

Anna expressed concern that all of the recommendations in the report should be addressed as a whole and were not intended to be voted as separate pieces, as reflected by this motion.

RESULT: Pass (1 abstention)

A suggestion was made that Dr. O'Malley be asked to bring an organizational chart to the April board meeting; he agreed to do so.

Adjournment at 8:43 p.m.