

Benjamin Franklin Classical Charter Public School
Board of Trustees Meeting
APPROVED Minutes
Thursday, October 25, 2007 7:30pm
BFCCPS Library

Attendance: Trustees President John Neas, Vice President Lori Clements, Treasurer Anna dos Santos, Faculty Representative Kevin Buckley, Richard Frongillo, Jennifer Moccia, Cheryl O'Donnell (7:45-9:05pm) Michele Pearl (until 9pm), Cathy Tomaso; Tim Tracy, Poh-Lin Yeoh, HOS Dr. Kevin O'Malley, Asst. HOS Heather Zolnowski

Absent: Clerk Chuck Mayo

Call to order (7:35)

John notes that Katherine Ginnetty rather not be recognized by the school.

Discussion of Annual School Goals for 2007-08 (7:40)

John distributes a "school goals" handout which compiles ideas from various trustees and the Head of School. The discussion continued for nearly two hours with contributions from all trustees and a few visitors in attendance. Here are some notes:

- Anna suggested the Board identify the "big three" goals as a possible starting point.
- Tim observed that the presented list was very strategic in tone.
- Michele notes that the 2005 Strategic Plan was constructed with lots of work behind it and wonders whether it should be the starting point for this year; Anna has reviewed that document recently and has observations to share (i.e. some things have been done, others not).
- John provided a review of the circumstances related to potential building and the Washington Street land.
- Lori suggests that time be spent in gaining a full understanding of the relationship between the Board and the BFCCPS Foundation, and urged that the Board "be aggressive about that which we control." Anna will investigate documentation related to the Foundation and Board.
- Chris Flaherty wonders whether we can pursue new school options in parallel; Anna observes that there would be an expense related to taking multiple paths. Jennifer will look at Feasibility Study.
- Some discussion revolved around Mission-related goals. Tim suggested metrics of measurement be created of how we are doing against the school's Mission.
- Kevin urges two goals: one on academic pursuits and another on revitalizing the school's mission. Further, he would like to see preparatory steps for the third charter renewal.
- Jennifer asks when next accountability guidelines will be available; Kevin is working on this but notes that the state is in the process of changing its rubric.
- Poh-Lin suggests having a goal of retaining good faculty.

John will collect notes of this meeting and reformulate a list for future discussion.

Adjournment (9:30)

MOTION: By Lori/Poh-Lin to adjourn

RESULT: Pass

Next meetings: 11/8/2007