



**The Franklin School of Innovation
Board Meeting Agenda - 11/4/2025 6:00pm
In Person - 21 Innovation Drive, Spanish Room on second floor
Indoor masks optional**

Our Mission:

The Franklin School of Innovation is preparing the next generation of leaders, capable of solving problems and participating effectively and ethically as local and global citizens. Through challenging academics, real-world learning, and community engagement, our students discover their potential, develop persistence, and recognize the value of others. Our graduates are ready for the future they will create.

Board Responsibilities:

We ensure The Franklin School of Innovation's compliance to its contract with the NC Department of Public Instruction, set and monitor the implementation of school policies, manage the school's annual budget and financial planning, and hire and evaluate the performance of our school's Executive Director.

The Board develops and drives the School's strategic plan and provides appropriate governance.

Agenda Item

CALL TO ORDER The meeting shall be brought to order by the Board Chair, Al Glicksberg, at 7:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL The Board Chair took roll of members present: Anthony Lynch, Kelly Roark, Jon Blalock, Al Glicksberg, Ashley Fisher Tranese, Sonya Strange, Cheri Torres, Abbie Scott

APPROVAL OF AGENDA Shall the Board approve the Agenda Items? Motion by Kelly, Second by Sonya Vote: unanimous to approve agenda

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES Shall the Board approve the minutes of the **October 14, 2025 Board Meeting** Motion by Kelly, Second by Sonya Vote: unanimous to approve (Jon abstained due to absence)

PUBLIC COMMENT This agenda item is included for the purpose of giving anyone in attendance the opportunity to comment on a non-agenda or agenda item with the Board. There will be a three-minute time limit per person. The audience is not to applaud nor demonstrate disapproval for the comments made. The Board may respond asking for clarification only.

Agenda Item

ADMINISTRATORS UPDATE

• Summary of Activities

- Moved to “Infinite Campus” system and “Branching Minds” - both data tracking systems
 - Attendance
 - 118 students at 10% or higher absence
 - Behavior
 - Referrals = 133
 - Suspensions = 20
 - Course Performance
 - Grades of <70 in ELA = 82
 - Grades of <70 in Math = 51
 - All of these are measures that indicate graduation probability
- Enrollment & hiring
 - Stable enrollment, funded # is 748 (budget # set at 745)
 - All staff positions filled
 - Always open for more substitutes
- Activities
 - No audit Findings
 - School lunch revenue at risk due to gov’t shutdown; should cover for November
 - Funding gap related to state budget, county cuts, and federal reductions will be covered with offset lease costs
- Credentialing application
 - Submitted on time, will hear back in late Nov.

Glows

- Many players selected for conference or All Star Teams
- Working with performing arts on revised use of funds for performance space

Michelle is looking at trying to find volunteers to run 20 minute math drills for some of the students or reading with kids that missed some skill development during COVID (could be parents dropping off kids); could be service points for other students, could be a collaboration with a local university?

TREASURER’S REPORT

• Finances report

- Charter Success reports usually late
- Overall position is positive

• 2025-26 Budget Update

BOARD DEVELOPMENT

- Discussion of on-going organization of Committees for 2025-26 school year, updates, meetings, goal-setting
 - Finance
 - Governance
 - Development
 - Facilities
 - Fundraising
 - Target for Giving Tuesday is 60k
- Discussion-What committees are needed at this time
- Communication with boards at other EL schools
 - Michelle has been connected with Amana Academy in ATL; hasn't heard back
 - There is an EL school (K-8) in NC that Michelle will reach out to

CLOSED SESSION – Personnel

ADJOURNMENT 1. Shall the Board adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m.? Motion by Al, Second by Cheri, Vote: **unanimous** vote to approve