



The Franklin School of Innovation
Board Meeting Agenda - 2/11/2026(Wednesday) 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, developer assistance, 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 |
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| <p>CALL TO ORDER The meeting shall be brought to order by the Board Chair, Al Glicksberg, at 6:08 p.m.</p> <p>ROLL CALL The Board Chair took roll of members present: Kelly Roark, Ashley Fisher-Tranese, Abbie Scott, Al Glicksberg, Jon Blalock, Cherri Torres, Melanie Stowell, Beth Russo</p> <p>APPROVAL OF AGENDA Shall the Board approve the Agenda Items? Motion by Kelly, Second by Jon, Vote: unanimous to approve agenda</p> <p>CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES Shall the Board approve the minutes of the January 13 2026 Board Meeting Motion by Al, Second by Kelly, Vote: Unanimous to approve</p> <p>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.</p> |

Agenda Item

ADMINISTRATORS UPDATE

- Summary of Activities
 - Extend Q3 by 2 weeks
 - Jon made a motion to accept proposed schedule changes, Beth second, vote: unanimous to approve
 - Website needs to be updated to comply with ADA
 - Researching and choosing new host
 - New host will be contracted annually
- Enrollment & hiring
 - College and Career counselor is retiring
 - Can hire an interim for the year
 - Have 2 internal candidates
 - Part-time clerical and nutrition staff
 - Always seeking subs and bus drivers
- Activities
 - Re-enrollment opened this week, about 300 have responded
 - Attendance has had a slight dip
 - January suspensions and referrals
- Update-Application for Remote Academy
 - APPROVED!
 - We are contracting with Edmentum, who is hiring and supervising the content teachers. FSI will provide “wrap-around” services (clubs, sports, virtual Crew, etc.)
 - Regional, meaning restricted to Buncombe and contiguous counties
- Guidelines for Middle School Performance
- EL Site visit in March
 - Parent focus group for EL site visit

- New Board Actions:
 - 3/25, 4-7pm
 - Continue recruitment

TREASURER'S REPORT

- Finances report
 - Kelly expressed frustration to Charter Success about their timeline (2 months behind.)
- 2025-26 Budget Update
 - “Official year-end will show an operating deficit of \$104,698
 - Add back Capital expenses \$558,321
 - Surplus \$453,623
 - Bond funds: \$440, 000
 - Actual operating surplus \$13,623
 - Annual Fund \$40k (60k goal)
 - Sponsorships \$7500 (10k goal)

BOARD DEVELOPMENT

● Discussion of on-going organization of Committees or 2025-26 school year, updates, meetings, goal-setting for Board members for the following:

○ Development

Student Recruiting

○ Facilities- Theater space

○ Fundraising

Contacting Donors

● Discussion-What committees are needed at this time

● Update-Communication with boards at other EL schools

CLOSED SESSION – Personnel

ADJOURNMENT 1. Shall the Board adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m.? Motion by AI, Second by Ashley Vote: unanimous vote to approve