The Franklin School of Innovation
Board Meeting Agenda –12-12-2023
In Person - 21 Innovation Drive, Room 106 (Music Room)
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.

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<td>CALL TO ORDER The meeting shall be brought to order by the Board Chair, Al Glicksberg, at 6 p.m.</td>
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<td>ROLL CALL The Board Chair took roll of members present:</td>
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<td>Beth Russo, Melanie Stowell, Jim Davidson, Jamie Grob-Grinell, Sarah Dickson, Rebecca Hecht, Bill Hansen, Ashley Fisher-Tranese</td>
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<td>APPROVAL OF AGENDA Shall the Board approve the Agenda Items? Motion by Sarah Second by Bill Vote: All to approve agenda</td>
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<td>CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES Shall the Board approve the minutes of the November 14, 2023 Board Meeting Motion by Melanie Second by Sarah Vote: All to approve</td>
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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.
**BOARD DEVELOPMENT**

- Retreat - Nov. 18
- Review
  - The Top 3 Goals/Priorities that the FSI Board decided they want to focus on this year:
    1. Create effective and productive committees
    2. Establish Strategic Goals (see skinny strategic plan draft)
    3. Review key board documents

- Committees
  - Executive - no report
  - Finance - no report
  - Board Governance by-laws update
    - Sarah Dickson led the Governance Committee in revising bylaws prior to the board meeting.
    - The full board of directors reviewed the revisions with the school attorney.
    - **Bill moved to adopt the revised bylaws, seconded by Jim, unanimous vote in favor.**

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

- Finances report
  - Treasurer prepared a separate report.

- Budget update
  - We are on track to meet our budget goals as of 12/12/23

**ADMINISTRATORS UPDATE**

- Summary of Activities
  - Michelle gave a shout-out to Micah for his work on the Giving Tuesday campaign, which has raised 34.9K
  - Open enrollment starts January 1, 2024.
    - Emphasize recruiting 5th graders and retaining them.
  - Searching for an upper-level math teacher.
  - Attendance is an area of concern
  - 4 teachers have been selected to present at WCU equity in education conference.
  - 2 teachers presented at EL Education conference
  - EC teacher presented at State EC Director Conference
  - Student selected for full ride to Duke University

- Policies
  - Parent Rights Policy
    - Criteria for selection of curriculum & supplemental instructional materials
  - **Bill moved to adopt the policy as presented; Sarah seconded, unanimous vote to approve.**
- Melanie Stowell commented that the NC state law regarding parental rights did not reflect the views of the FSI board - but that the board is required to adopt policies within the scope of the newly-passed law.

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<td>Al moved to go into closed session, Bill seconded, unanimous approval.</td>
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<td><em>(discussed personnel)</em></td>
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<td>[Came out of closed session]</td>
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Motion to approve hires by Jon, second by Beth, unanimous in favor.

| ADJOURNMENT 1. Shall the Board adjourn the meeting at 8:10p.m.? Motion by Al Second by Beth, Vote: unanimous vote to approve. |