



**The Franklin School of Innovation
Special Board Meeting Minutes – 3/25/2021
7 pm via Zoom**

ZOOM Meeting Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84910727276?pwd=R1NMejNKNEQ5UDMweWZtb1VTYkRSdz09>

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 and Votes	Discussion
<p>CALL TO ORDER The meeting shall be brought to order by the Board Chair, AG at 7:02 p.m.</p> <p>ROLL CALL The Board Chair took roll of members present: AG, JGG, ABJ, SR, AH, ML</p> <p>KC at 7:26pm</p> <p>Absent: BC, DP</p> <p>Staff: Michelle Vruwink</p>	
<p>APPROVAL OF AGENDA Shall the Board approve the Agenda Items? Motion by AH Second by SR Vote: unanimous to approve agenda</p> <p>CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES Shall the Board approve the minutes of the March 9 Board Meeting? Motion by AG Second by JGG Vote: AG, JGG, ABJ, AH, ML to approve SR abstain</p>	

<p>ADMINISTRATORS UPDATE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Transition to Plan B update ● NC School updates & mandates ● Transition to Plan A -Grades 5 – 12 <p>ML motions that we continue to implement robust screening to the greatest extent allowed by state law/mandates. ABJ seconds. Approved by unanimous consent.</p> <p>SR makes motion that the school return to Plan A in compliance with state guidelines, after Spring Break. AG second. Approved by unanimous consent.</p>	<p>State law and mandates about schools moving to in-person learning have changed multiple times in the past two weeks. Currently, grades K-5 must return to Plan A (in person learning) and other grades are allowed to move to Plan A. All schools must follow the Strong Schools Toolkit. The Strong Schools Toolkit recommends a return to in-person learning to the fullest extent possible up to 5 days/week. Most local schools have moved to Plan A.</p> <p>Guidelines recommend at least 3 foot distancing when possible when in Plan A.</p> <p>In current Plan B, there is strong compliance with masks, no student infections. Middle school students have limited in person instruction and a high absence rate on remote days.</p> <p>Options for board consideration include Plan B+ (with a more modest increase to in-person learning) and Plan A which includes 4 full days of in-person learning.</p> <p>Staff who wish to be vaccinated have been able to get a vaccine.</p> <p>Transitions would take place after Spring Break, which will offer 5 weeks of instructional time before end of year testing begins. There is not clear guidance about whether schools may/must continue temperature checks and symptom screenings.</p> <p>Lunches will be outdoors as much as possible and in the Community Room when weather doesn't permit. Priority for the largest spaces will be given to the older students.</p> <p>3' distancing can be maintained, even in Plan A.</p>
<p>ADJOURNMENT 1. Shall the Board adjourn the meeting at 7:58p.m.? Motion by AG Second by JGG Vote: unanimous to approve</p>	