




**The Franklin School of Innovation
Board Meeting Agenda – 3/13/2018**

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	Materials	Time
<p>CALL TO ORDER The meeting shall be brought to order by the Chairman of the Board at 6:03 p.m.</p> <p>ROLL CALL The Board Chairman took roll of members present: MV, CK, DP, Tom K, LH, BC, PE, TA, PF</p>		6:02 - 6:05
<p>APPROVAL OF AGENDA Shall the Board approve the Agenda Items? Motion by PF. Second by LH. All voted to approve agenda with revision as requested by MV.</p> <p>CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES Shall the Board approve the minutes of the February Meeting? Motion by PF. Second by BC. All voted to approve the minutes.</p>	 FSI Board Meeting Minutes 2-13-2018.doc	6:05 –6:10
<p>PUBLIC COMMENT This agenda item is included for the purpose of giving anyone in attendance the opportunity to comment on a non-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. No action may be taken at this meeting on any issue raised.</p>	Parent brought up questions about grading policies in high school and was directed to appropriate staff.	6:10 –6:25

<p>DIRECTORS UPDATE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open Enrollment • Summary of activities 	<p>There has been an impact of the school lockdown in that four students have left the school.</p> <p>We have had some new fees for surveying for the new building. Facility repairs have gone over budget, but we are within the total facility budget.</p> <p>The engineering contract isn't in our budget. We are hoping to roll it into our loan.</p> <p>We have a new EC teacher that we are paying with the grant we received!</p> <p>We are looking for more bus drivers.</p> <p>Charter School Performance report is due March 31. Charter renewal site visit is April 19. We need board members to meet with them.</p> <p>Great story on Mr. Lyn and a story on the 11th grade expedition on housing issues.</p> <p>We had a great Capital Fund Room to Grow Event!</p> <p>Most of our grades are on expedition.</p> <p>This March has been particularly challenging in terms of discipline issues and dealing with school safety issues.</p> <p>We were safe on campus during the threat. Staff did a great job putting policy into practice to keep our children safe. Staff are making changes to make things easier and better in the future. We know that students feel comfortable talking to adults at school about possible problems. There is a new-to-FSI student this year, who had been suspended, who communicated a threat on social media, and this was reported. The school went on building lockdown (not within classroom). Asheville police and Buncombe County responded very quickly. The student was not on campus and officers were sent to the house where the student was at the time.</p> <p>Officers did a de-brief with faculty at the end of the day, and gave some feedback for the future. More officers have come to visit so that they are familiar with campus layout.</p> <p>The house was searched, no weapons were found,</p>	<p>6:25 –6:45</p>
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	<p>student was placed in juvenile detention. Charged with false threat against the school.</p> <p>Some kids may be participating in a memorial for victims of the Parkland shooting.</p> <p>Student led conferences are coming up soon.</p> <p>March 27 having a community forum at Bent Creek Baptist to have conversation about school safety issues and how to help kids process these types of events.</p> <p>April 22 is Founders' Day!</p> <p>8th and 10th grade passage portfolios are coming up! We need panel members.</p> <p>We are in re-enrollment and open enrollment now!</p>	
<p>UPDATE – SCHOOL SAFETY PLAN</p>	<p>Officers introduced a term “soft lock down” where students can transition between buildings with adults present. They are inside for lunch, recess, crew PE. Keeping a controlled environment but maintaining some normalcy.</p>	
<p>APPROVE 2018 – 2019 SCHOOL CALENDAR Motion by CK to vote to approve the calendar with changes to early release on Wednesdays. Second by LH. All voted to approve.</p>	 <p>FSI 2018-19 calendar - Draft 1.doc</p> <p>The current draft has Monday as early release. We are changing back to early release on Wednesdays. We have three extra days built in for inclement weather.</p>	<p>7:00 –7:04</p>
<p>UPDATE – FACILITY FINANCING</p>	<p>Making progress! We have positive input from Capital First Tennessee. We are expecting offers on the table from them soon. We are continuing conversation with another bank about bond financing.</p> <p>We are through the technical review process with the city.</p> <p>We’ve done a lot of site improvement, which is to our benefit in terms of making a deal for financing.</p>	<p>7:04 –7:14</p>
<p>CONTRACT WITH ARCHITECT – ARCA DESIGNS Motion by PF to approve the ARCA Designs contract. Seconded by BC. All voted to approve.</p>	<p>This contract will get paid out of the loan. Having a timeline of payment would be useful. The fees are comparable/reasonable in comparison to other possible contractors.</p>	<p>7:14 –7:21</p>

	 FSI Proposal ARCA Desgns.pdf	
COMMITTEE REPORT – MARKETING	<p>We have a lot of advertisements and public service announcements on the radio.</p> <p>Attended the Camp Expo. New comments heard: you’re on our radar”, “I didn’t know you did tours”. “ We’d like a more comprehensive bus route”.</p> <p>Passive fundraising coming up: Chai Pani March 28th; Farmburger South, April 26; MOD pizza May 8th.</p> <p>Room to Grow auction feedback: we were turning away donations at the end! We should save them for next year.</p> <p>Next time: Faculty/Staff tickets that people can donate.</p>	7:21 –7:31
COMMITTEE REPORT – FINANCE Added Agenda Item: Review and Approve contract with Employee Assistance Program. Motion to approve implementation of the McLaughlin Young Employees Assistance Program by PF. Second by CK. All voted to Approve.	<p>Everything was covered earlier. We are in a good position.</p> <p>There are up to six sessions with a counselor. This is the same group that Evergreen uses.</p>	7:36 -7:37 7:37-7:45
CLOSED SESSION - Motion to go into Closed Session - Motion by PF. Second by BC Personnel Motion to come out of Closed Session by PF. Second by CK. Vote to hire personnel as discussed in closed session. Motion to approve the hire by CK. Second by TA. All voted to approve. Board vote to approve expulsion request as discussed in closed session. Motion to vote on expulsion by CK. Second by PF. Tia Andrews abstained. All others voted to approve		7:45- 8:14
ADJOURNMENT Shall the Board adjourn the meeting at 8:15p.m.? Motion by PF. Second by PE. All voted to approve.		8:15