

FRANKLIN ACADEMY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: October 16, 2017

TIME: 5:00

LOCATION: Franklin Academy High School

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bob Luddy Al Merritt
Bill Francis Judy Nunnenkamp

Call to order

The Meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm. The board reviewed the minutes and there were no questions. Bob Luddy motioned that they be approved and Judy Nunnenkamp seconded the motion. Minutes were approved unanimously.

Agenda items:

20-Year School Seal/Recognition and New Website – Denise Kent

Among the various ideas suggested regarding the 20th anniversary of Franklin Academy was, a new school seal introduced commemorating the school's anniversary. Changes can be made to add the new seal to the website and official letterhead. The board was in favor of the seal, as well as contacting the Chamber of Commerce in Wake Forest to announce the impact of the school on the town and the changes spanning 20 years within the community. Along with the seal change and announcement, it was also suggested that a celebration take place in May of 2018, at both the Chalks Road campus and the high school campus in conjunction with the Cultural Arts Fair to take the opportunity to celebrate this milestone. In addition, Judy Nunnenkamp suggested that perhaps, a press release highlighting the school's accomplishments, or having an article written and sent out to multiple publications may also be considered. It was also noted by Denise Kent, that the updated Franklin Academy website was now up and running. The website is more user and mobile friendly and includes updated pictures of our students and campuses.

FA5 Campus Repairs and Improvements – James Kornegay

This school year has had several updates and repairs to the FA5 campus. Included in the slides presented at the meeting, were pictures of sidewalks in front of the building pitted from years of ice melt, that have now been repaired, along with soccer field areas upgraded to include brick pavers in surrounding areas for a cleaner aesthetic. Front lobby upgrades and changes were also made to freshen up the look for all who enter the building.

FAHS Professional Development and Parent Survey Results – James Kornegay

Staff at the high school, were able to participate in a professional development 2 day training, run by Dr. Becky Stobaugh, from Western Kentucky University, on critical thinking. Multiple aspects regarding critical thinking were addressed in the training. Training began with an emphasis on critical thinking using Bloom's Taxonomy and were later introduced various ways of assessing student's critical thinking. James Kornegay will be tracking changes in critical thinking from the first quarter through quarter three to assess these changes and their impacts overall. Survey results from teachers in attendance were very positive and many noted that it was the best training they had been a part of at Franklin Academy.

Parent surveys at the high school were sent out last quarter with an emphasis in communication. We received with 149 responses in all. Overall, parent experiences were high. Areas of improvement were noted in communications through Canvas and or PowerSchool. Future surveys will focus on different areas, allowing us to assess responses and making changes where appropriate. Results from an exit survey of outgoing students will be discussed at a future meeting.

Conflict of Interest Policy - Bill Francis

Bill Francis highlighted important requirements regarding the board of director's conflict of interest policy. In short, if a board member feels, that at any time, there may be a potential conflict of interest, that board member must disclose the conflict and recuse him or herself. This policy was distributed, reviewed and signed by all board members. It is also important to note, that no board members at Franklin Academy have ever received compensation at anytime, to include expenses in the 20-year period.

Adjournment

No other questions- Meeting adjourned at 5:26 pm