

Franklin Academy Board Meeting Minutes  
September 12, 2016

All board members were present and meeting came to order at 6:00 p.m. Bob Luddy asked for a motion to approve the previous board meeting minutes. Rick Eddins motioned and Al Merritt seconded the motion, all in favor, minutes passed.

Denise Kent gave the board a report on the latest Iowa's Scores. All K-7 grades took the test in August and our over all growth remained the same, however, more importantly, our percentile rank improved for both core and composite scores. The result of the core total was 89% proficiency; an increase of 1.6 percentile points from last year and the total average growth per grade level was 1 year and 3 months. The core total takes into account reading language and math scores combined. Composite scores combine reading, language, math, science, social studies and reference material and our scores were 90% proficiency, increasing 1.2 percentile points from year before.

Franklin Academy was nominated for "Best of the Best", sponsored by the Wake Weekly, for Elementary, Middle School, High School. Courtney Roberts, FA's Character Ed Teacher, was nominated for Best of the Best teacher. A reception will be held next week to honor all nominations.

Fantastic Falcons is a program the middle school has implemented a program to recognize students who exemplify the characteristics of the Luddy Outcomes and Seven Mind Sets. This program is student led and the students nominate peers. the administration and teachers review nominations and choose who we feel meets the programs guidelines. There were over 40 individual nominations and we choose three. This is done one time per quarter.

James Kornegay presented end of Course (EOG) scores for High School. The three EOG's given at HS were English, Science and Math. FA's sophomores took the English II EOG and have consistently shown significant growth over the past three years. Those students who took the Math I showed the most increase over the past three years. Overall we have shown growth in all three EOG exams. David Mahaley added that we do not teach the common core math one, as we decided to stick with our curriculum of teaching the standard sequence of Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II when the state changed to the Common Core Curriculum. The state made comment regarding this saying our students will still be required to take the end of course Math one test. This shows that our students are very solid in their math skills by sticking to our continual program instead of switching programs as the state has every two to three years.

No additional business or comments

Bob Luddy asked for a motion to adjourn and Al Merritt seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned 6:15 pm