

Board of Directors Meeting

December 16, 2025
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Franklin Academy Boynton
Beach 7882 S. Military Trail
Boynton Beach, FL 33463

Minutes

I. **Call Meeting to Order** at 6:00pm by Dr. David Thomas

II. **Roll Call**

Dr. Jackie Greenberg	Elena Diaz	Tina Huelsman
Alex Lonsdale	Leah Hanza	Yamile Francese
Dr. David Thomas	Dr. Watts	Philip Hall
Richard Moreno	Deborah Torres	Claudia Yurick
Scott Sznitken	Danielle Ockman	Emilia Vasquez
Dr. Daniel Sandberg	Alyson L'Etoile	Henry Jarrett
Alexandra Fox	Sergio Delgado	

III. **Public Speakers:** NONE

IV. **Approval and Ratification of Minutes of October 17, 2025, Board Meeting**
(Motion Moved by Greenberg, 2nd by Lonsdale, and approved)

V. **Consent Agenda – Resolution**
(Motion Moved by Lonsdale, 2nd by Greenberg, and approved)

- a. **RESOLVED**, that the 2025-26 Student Enrollment Incentive Plan for all campuses are hereby approved and ratified;
- b. **FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the 2025-26 Audits for all campuses are hereby approved and ratified;
- c. **FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Philip Hall, Deputy Director, is authorized to direct legal representatives on behalf of the Board and to negotiate and execute any and all vendor contracts on behalf of the Board for the remainder of the 25-26 fiscal year.

- d. **FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Half Rock Educational Group Consulting contract is ratified and approved as written;
- e. **FURTHER RESOLVED**, that 2015 Technology Bond Disposition form for the Sunrise campus is approved and ratified.

VI. **Presentations**

a. **Dr. Daniel Sandberg, Superintendent of Schools**

i. Academic/Curriculum Overview

FAST Data for all campus was shared

In ELA, when comparing PM2 2024-2025 and PM2 2025-2026, the data is trending in a positive direction. ELA results are favorable evidenced by Pembroke Pines K-8 and Palm Beach Gardens K-8 with a notable 10-12% increase from PM1 to PM2 data.

In math, there was some positive data in PM2 data; however, we are not where we want to be. Our staff is working on ensuring the delivery of strong content.

Principals are working with organizations, including Broward College which will help with staff recruitment and establishing relationships that will bear a lot of fruit.

In IXL we are seeing progress in usage across campuses, and we are locked in this and next year with the vendor. After, we will review progress and determine the next steps for the program.

Our LIFT program is up and going and here is a breakdown of this year's trainings:

October- Ms. When and Ms. Hanza IB and Curriculum

November- Technology and Branding by Mr. Sznitken

December- Ms. Fox shared Evaluation System (including human aspect of the process)

Upcoming, Cohort #3 will be reviewed by Mr. Sandberg and Mr. Watts after the break. The choice reviewed will be to continue with the cohort next year or conduct the cohort every two years.

In IB, Ms. Hanza continues to bring in her expertise and works across campuses with programs like Toddle.

A few items to highlight:

Boynton successfully completed their evaluation and will be set for five years.

Cooper City is preparing for their 2nd evaluation which will take place in January

Sunrise Campus held an onsite IB summit in October

Cognia was successfully completed, and positive observations shared were the use of cross campus observations, virtual access tools, and vertically aligned PLCs.

b. Mrs. Alison L'Etoile, Principal/Team (BB K-8)

i. Staffing/School Update

Staffing Needs- 5th & 2nd grade

Events- Hispanic Heritage month, Unity Day, Title 1 Parent technology Night, 50th day of school, Fall Festival, Trunk or Treat, Storybook & Vocabulary Parade, Spirit Week, Title 1 Global Parent Night, Thanksgiving Feast, Breakfast with Santa, Wonderland gift shop, PM2 Testing Winter Concerts

ii. Enrollment Update

Current- 1232

Withdrawals- 23

Current offers- 19

c. Mrs. Alexandra Fox, Principal/Team (CC K-8)

i. Staffing/School Update

No staff needed

IB Summit in October, Hispanic heritage month, K Math Night, K-2 storybook Parade, 3-5 figurative language parade, k-2 Parade, k-12 family info session, staff Friendsgiving, Tour kickoff, PTO event- Reading with the Principal, Book Fair, Trunk or Treat, Fall Festival PTP winter luncheon, Basketball cover update

ii. Enrollment Update

Current- 1338

Two new starting 1/6/26

Student Attrition- 22 new/47 withdrawal

d. **Ms. Deborah Torres, Principal/Team (PBG K-8)**

i. Staffing/School Update

No staffing Needs

Events- curriculum night, Scripp's spelling bee, IB deployments, Breast Cancer walk, Garden's Fall Festival Sponsor, Storybook/Character Parade, Career Day, Franklin Feast, PM2 Data, Elf-tastic Administration, Sports, Drama Auditions for Musical

ii. Enrollment Update

iii. Current- 923

Offers-four starting 1/6/26

e. **Mr. Elena Diaz Principal/Team (PP K-8)**

i. Staffing/School Update

Vacancies- 7, New Hires 18, Boomerangs 4

Events- Jamaica strong, Holiday Toy Drive, Storybook Parade, Fun Run, Homeroom Wars, Red Ribbon Week, Truck or Treat, Safety Patrol Induction, Parent Academy- Assessment, Veterans Day, Fall Festival, Winter Show, Gingerbread Decorating Contest, Campus tour, Cheer Showcase, American Dance Debate

ii. Enrollment Update

Current- 1328

Current offers- 1

Waitlist- 8

Withdrawals- 59

f. **Mr. Sergio Delgado, Principal/Team (PP K-12)**

i. Staffing/School Update

Staff Needed: 4th grade Math/Science, HS Law Studies, HS Debate, HS School Counselor

Events- 1st Charter School to host American Dream Debate, HS scholars have a radio show on 99.5 FM, NBC 6 held a segment on the Singit program, Tier 2/3 Intervention for k-12, Student engagement increase through IXL with motivating challenges, Hosted cross campus PTO collaboration,

Trunk or Treat, 50th day- sock hop dance, k-12 art show, Holiday

Shoppe, Year 3 student led campus tours, MS volleyball session, HS
3-day campus tour, MS/HS band concert

ii. Enrollment Update

Current- 2076

Student withdrawals- 52

g. **Mrs. Shaina Dillman, Principal/Team (SUN K-8)**

i. Staffing/School Update

Staff Needed: 3rd Grade ELA, Individuals & Societies

Events- Boys Soccer Team: Semi-Finals, Spirit week & RCA House Pep
Rally,

Sunrise Fire Safety Demonstration, PTO Trunk or Treat, Story Book
Parade, Veteran's Day Lunch, Year 1: Matilda Jr. Play

Campus Visit: Assistant Deputy Mayor Guzman

Philanthropy: IB Ambassadors- Feed the City, Kids Heart Challenge,
JAFCO toy drive.

ii. Enrollment Update

Current 1387, 1 offer

Student transition: 17 withdrawals since September

h. **Mr. Scott Sznitken, Consultant**

i. Organizational Overview/Update

Mr. Sznitken shared Organizational overview as follows:

Marketing and Enrollment: Our December enrollment window opens and
will run until February 28. Enrollment will continue on a monthly basis after
the initial window.

Service Hours- Currently 181 students are at risk of not having a seat with
many of those families having three of the necessary four hours.

Operations- Two big projects taking place include Cooper City's Basketball
court and Pines K-8's awning over the bus area.

Schools of Hope- we are continuing to follow closely with no noted changes
to the bill so far.

Finance- The Foundation's address will change to the K-12 campus. The
current Foundation building is for sale, and we want to be proactive about
the change before purchase goes in effect.

- i. **Mr. Richard Moreno, Financial Consultant**
- i. Financial Review

Finance information shared by Richard Moreno:
The balance sheet and income statements were shared

VII. **Resolutions**

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature in its 2025 Session amended § 1001.42, Florida Statutes, to require that, beginning in the 2026–27 school year, middle schools may not begin before 8:00 a.m., and high schools may not begin before 8:30 a.m., and created an exemption process through submission of a report to the Florida Department of Education by June 1, 2026;

Ms. Oshefsky will be polling the community about 3 to 4 possible scenarios and bring the report back to the board at the March meeting to decide to apply for an exemption or accept the resolution.

WHEREAS the statute requires that any district or charter school seeking exemption must include in its report the current start times, the strategies considered for compliance, the financial impact of compliance, and any unintended consequences; and

WHEREAS, the Board will review operational, fiscal, safety, and community impacts to find out whether immediate compliance with the statutory start times would create significant burdens and negative consequences for students, families, and staff of its middle and high schools; and

WHEREAS the Board desires to hear from the school administration and other stakeholders in this process; it has determined that this decision must be made by formal Board action, and not by administrative decision alone.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Board of **FRANKLIN ACADEMY FOUNDATION, INC.**, that:

1. The Board authorizes preparation and submission of the required exemption report to the Department of Education by **June 1, 2026**.
2. The Board Chair, or designee, is directed to prepare the report in the format prescribed by the Department, including all required factors, and to present a draft to the Board for review and approval in a public meeting.
3. The Board shall hold at least one public workshop or hearing on school start times, and the public input process shall be concluded no later than February 28,

2026, with a summary of all input included in the draft report.

4. The Board will place the draft report on a meeting agenda for discussion and direction following the close of public input and will adopt the final report by formal vote before submission.

5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

VIII. Board Member Items

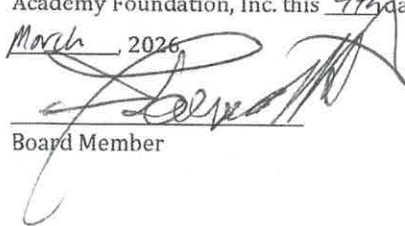
IX. Items for Next Meeting

Report from school hours committee

X. Next Board Meeting

XI. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:09 PM

Ratified and Approved by a 3 to 0
vote of the Board of Directors of Franklin
Academy Foundation, Inc. this 4th day of
March, 2026.



Board Member