

Benjamin Franklin Middle School Home and School Association

Meeting Minutes – May 17, 2023

Attendees:

Anna Salerno, Claudia Fortunato, Laura McGrath, Laura Waisnor, Maria Peneva, Valerie Auyeung, Devletsah Ozcan, Sarah Traband, Jahae Kim

Zoom Attendees: Colleen Tansey, Jade York, Jess Vartughian, Yanan Wu, Angela Atehortua, Cinthya Angelo

Welcome:

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 AM. The BFHSA Co-President Anna Salerno welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order. The April 2023 minutes were approved. 1st Approval- Claudia Fortunato, 2nd Approval- Sarah Traband

Agenda Items:

- Principal's Report

- Student Council Report

- Treasurer's Report

A deposit paid for 8th grade post promotional celebration at Hollywood Ballroom.
Around \$1200 made from the class of 2027 T-shirt sales.

- President's Report
 - Federated Report
 - Interim Superintendent Dr.Fitts had some parting words. Late start was approved for next year. Additional aides were approved which is especially important for special ed classes.

- Welcome to the new federated board.
- Nominating Committee for 23-24

A vote was held for the new BFHSA board member. Welcome Nancy Joachim-Ventura (co-VP), Angie Lee (co-VP), Lauren Pace (co-treasurer), Helen Cho (co-treasurer), Jahae Kim (secretary), Sarah Traband (technical secretary), Claudia Fortunato (co-P) and Anna Salerno (co-P)
- 8th Grade Parent Meeting 4/26

20-30 parents attended. Danielle Wood, the new assistant principal at RHS, was at the meeting. Topics such as attendance, drop off and pick up, and period nine were discussed.
- Teacher Appreciation May 2

Thank you Laura Waisnor & Jamie Cariddi for chairing Teacher Appreciation all year. Thank you all volunteers for donations.
- Adams Family – BF Players

The show was amazing. HAS helped staff the concession stand and the ticket check in.
- Book Fair- May 8-May 12

The book fair was a success. HSA will be switching to a new vendor next year which will provide more flexibility on book choices.
- Melissa Straub Parent Assembly- May 9(Now June 1)

Low turn out on May 9. The assembly is moved to June 1.
- DEI Food Truck Success

Huge Success. Approximately 450 people showed up.
- 5th Grade Parent Meeting- May 15

Very well attended. The administration and the HSA presidents welcomed rising 6th grade parents to BFMS.
- Wellness Day- May 19

Parents are invited to walk with the students. The HSA is sponsoring lunch for the teachers, staff & volunteers. The HAS is also hosting a snack table at the health fair. Donation link is up.

- Wellness, Music and 8th grade Shirts

8th grade shirts are ready for pick up. BF Music T-Shirt is available for purchase. Order new wellness T-shirts.

- 8th Grade events update

- May 30 Field Trip

- June 16 Yearbook picnic

The HSA will provide popcorn and ice pops.

- June 21 Graduation & Promotion Celebration

Tickets for post promotion celebration is on going. More information on all 8th grade events will be sent out.

- New Business

- Parent Social May 18

Claudia and Steve Fortunato's house. No fee & BYOB.

- YMCA 23-24 Program -Wellness Program

Through their wellness program, YMCA will provide one assembly every month to the students and one parent assembly every quarter next year. BF is working with YMCA on the topics.

- No Cook dinner with Hama Korean

5/6-5/22. No cook fundraiser with Hama Korean Cuisine.

- June 1st 6-8pm 6th Grade Mixer

Approximately 200 tickets sold. Tickets are still on sale.

- Chair/volunteer positions for 23-24

The HSA is looking for chair position volunteers. Stay tuned for more information.

- June 9th first Phone-free Friday

7:00-8:30pm. Pizza will be provided for purchase. Stay tuned for more information.

- Clubs for Next Year

All communication regarding and within clubs need to be improved. Outdated school club website will be updated during the summer.

- Open Discussion

- Please follow the dress code for the music concert- white top, black bottom, and black shoes.

- **The meeting was concluded at 10:17 AM**

- **Minutes respectfully submitted by Jahae Kim, Board Secretary**