

**FRANKLIN BUSINESS  
INCUBATOR ADVISORY  
BOARD**

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**Sent:** Wednesday, January 11, 2012 12:29 PM  
**To:** 'mikejohnson'  
**Cc:** 'Harper, Lauren'; 'John Smolak'  
**Subject:** Appointment to the Franklin Business Incubator Advisory Board

Good morning, Mike... and, happy new year to you and yours! I pray that 2012 will be an amazing year for our region, and our nation as well. Mike, Anita Felts served on the Franklin Business Incubator's Advisory Board as a result of serving on the Southampton County Board of Supervisors. We enjoyed – and appreciated – her participation on the Board for many years, as she was very knowledgeable about and a great advocate for small businesses. But, as you well know, sadly she was not re-elected to serve another term. She indicated at our last FBI Advisory Board meeting in November that she was going to inform the Board of Supervisors of the boards and committees that she served on that a replacement would need to be named for, so I took no action in this regard. Do you know if someone has been named to serve on our FBI Advisory Board? If so, can you please share their name and contact information with me? Our first meeting for this year takes place tomorrow and, while it may be too late for them to attend this month's meeting, I certainly do not want to overlook them about announcements for future meetings. If a replacement has not yet been named, do you mind letting me know as soon as this has been taken care of so that I can include them on our list of current Board members? It should be someone who has a big heart for small business, has some knowledge about what it takes to help grow a successful business, is willing to mentor (can be in a specific area) should the need arise, and can be available for Board meetings which take place the second Thursday of every other month, starting at 7:30 AM for about 90 minutes, or so. (These meeting dates and times are subject to change, depending on what else may be going on; but, when we have to deviate from the normal times, we get a consensus of what works best for the majority of the Board members.) It should be noted that this is an **Advisory Board**. (**advisory board** - a board appointed to simply advise the chief administrator)

Thank you for your time and your help in this matter, Mike. I look forward to hearing back from you soon.

Sincerely,

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