
Bruce Haines

Bruce S. Haines is a longtime volunteer leader in Friends education. Professionally he is a lawyer and nonprofit leader. Bruce practiced law at Cohen Shapiro Polisher Shiekman & Cohen (where he became a partner) and at Hangley Aronchick Segal & Pudlin (where he was a shareholder). In both positions he worked closely with younger lawyers helping them develop effective communication and leadership skills. Bruce left the field of law for non-profit work becoming the Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Unit of Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic. He served there from April 2007 to August 2009. At RFB&D Bruce provided leadership during a time of profound organizational transformation, managing a strong staff and significantly increasing gifts and pledges.

Bruce earned his B.A. at Earlham College and his J.D. at Rutgers University School of Law in Camden. A lifelong Quaker, Bruce has been deeply involved with Friends schools and organizations. Since 2001, he has served as the clerk of the Board of Trustees at Westtown School. At Westtown, where he has been a member of the Board since 1995, Bruce has been involved in strategic planning and plan execution for a K-12 boarding and day school with 803 students and a \$22.7M operating budget. He established and oversaw an Athletic Facilities Initiative Leadership committee that rose \$10.1M. He also initiated the Giant Strides capital campaign and increased board support of the Westtown Fund by 90%. He cites “expanded” and improved communication with the school community and board leadership team development among his other accomplishments at Westtown.

In addition to his work at Westtown, Bruce has served as the Chair of the Development Committee of the Friends Hospital Board of Managers and as Secretary and Chair of the Governance Committee at the Thomas Scattergood Behavioral Health Foundation. In 2006 Bruce was selected by the National Association of Independent Schools to join a development team “Think Tank” charged with helping to plan the 2008 annual conference.