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## Bear Grass Charter School Board Meeting

### Meeting Minutes April 20, 2015

#### Opening:

The Bear Grass Charter School Board met on April 20, 2015 at the Bear Grass Charter School band room, Bear Grass, NC. Delmas Cumbee, Board Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

#### Present:

● Delmas Cumbee ● Kent Dickerson ● Phil Hodges ● Pam Gibbs ● Ron Preston  
● Charlotte Griffin ● Georgia Smallwood

#### Guests:

● Donna Moore – Bear Grass Charter School Principal  
● Mary Beth Jackson, Bear Grass Charter School Assistant Principal

The minutes from the March 23, 2015 meeting were approved.

**Motion:** Charlotte, Second: Georgia. Motion passed.

#### Special Recognition:

The following students were recognized for displaying the character education program trait of Perseverance/Courage:

Middle School: Nate Mizelle

High School: Skyler Rogerson

Staff: Ashley Cullipher

Math I and Math II competed at the Chowan College Math Competition on March 27, 2015. Math I received 1<sup>st</sup> place in their division and Math II received 2<sup>nd</sup> place in their division. Josh Wynn, Carson Domecq and Bailey Bonds advanced to the state competition.

Sophomore, Ryan Dickerson has been accepted to the NCSSM for the 2015-2016 school year.

**Special Guest Speaker:**

David Hostetler, Esq. was the guest speaker for the evening. He provided the board with a hand-out covering many different governance issues regarding charter schools. He stated that charter schools have a lot of flexibility and we are able to think outside the box. He suggested that we set up a risk mgmt. committee to complete legal reviews for the school as well as a safety audit.

**Student Enrollment:**

Currently 342 enrollment packets have been received.

**Curriculum/Staff Development:**

An updated staff development plan was provided for board members.

The DPI Stem application has been completed and submitted on time. If application looks good and meets the requirements then a site visit will be set up. This would occur sometime in September or October. No other charter school has a STEM status.

DOME Theater will be set up in the gym all day on April 29<sup>th</sup>.

**EC Update:**

An EC Audit took place April 15-17. The audit involved record reviews, classroom assessments, and teacher evals. VP Jackson felt the audit went well and a final report would be received by mid-May. These audits are performed every 5 years.

**Buildings and Grounds:**

The handicap ramp has been removed at the front of the school. The white building behind the middle school building will be removed over summer break.

**Technology:**

Proposals were presented for both GTech Serv and Soundside for the 2015-2016 technology upgrade. After discussion with the pros and cons of both, a motion was made to go with the proposal from Soundside.

**Motion:** Kent, Second: Charlotte. Motion passed.

**Accountability (Academic):**

ACT results for 11<sup>th</sup> grade was an increase from last year's scores. 55.8% of the students met the composite score of 17.

**Student Services:**

May 21<sup>st</sup> will be 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Night for the new incoming students for the 2015-16 school year.

**Child Nutrition:**

Cherry's Cupboard pizza has been replaced by Domino's. Students seem to like this change better. New vendors are being discussed so students will not be burned out by the same old schedule next year.

**Other Discussion:**

A 2015-16 academic calendar was presented to the board. The board voted to accept this calendar.

**Motion:** Charlotte, Second: Kent. Motion passed.

**Finance:**

An updated budget was provided to the board. The 2014 Audit issues were discussed as well as the new auditor for 2015-16. A handout from Acadia was presented. They are working towards a paperless environment by going to digital images. A decision was made on to authorize Acadia to shred our records.

**Motion:** Charlotte, Second: Phil. Motion passed.

**Human Resources:**

A BTSP handout was presented. This is an addition to our BT record. The board discussed and a motion was made to add this to our BT record requirement.

**Motion:** Charlotte, Second: Kent. Motion passed

Pursuant to General Statutes 143-318.11(a)(5) and 143-318.11(a)(6), a motion was made by Charlotte, seconded by Kent and passed unanimously, for the board to go into closed session to discuss human resources. At 8:28 PM, the board entered closed session.

The board came out of closed session at 8:31 PM. Motion: Charlotte. Second: Georgia.

No motions we made after the board came out of closed session.

The next scheduled board meeting will be on May 18, 2015 at 7:00 PM in the Bear Grass Charter School band room.

**Adjournment:**

**Motion** to adjourn: Charlotte, Second: Georgia. Motion passed.

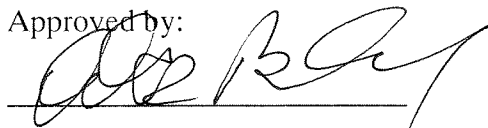
The meeting was adjourned by Delmas Cumbee, Chairman at 8:31 PM.

Minutes submitted by:

  
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Pam Gibbs, Secretary

Approved by:

  
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Delmas Cumbee, Board Chairman