



Bear Grass Charter School Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes
April 24, 2012

Opening:

On April 24, 2012, Delmas Cumbee called the Bear Grass Charter School Board meeting to order at 7:05 PM in the Yucca House, Bear Grass, NC.

Present:

Delmas Cumbee, Frank Beck, Phil Hodges, Pam Gibbs, Georgia Smallwood, Mary Anna Moseley

Guests:

Charlotte Griffin – Bear Grass Mayor

Phil opened the meeting with an invocation.

The minutes from the April 17, 2012 meeting were reviewed. Phil made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Georgia seconded. Motion carried.

Delmas initiated a discussion on the current board members and the possibility of adding additional members. Phil made a motion that the board accepts the resignation of board member Larry Ward. Frank seconded. The motion passed. Phil made a motion that the board adds Charlotte Griffin to the Bear Grass Charter School board. Delmas seconded. The motion also passed unanimously. Phil stated that we should probably add a couple of other members, possibly from ECU.

Phil gave a personnel committee report. Some initial interviews for principal have been set up with the personnel committee. He also discussed that we need to receive more teacher applications. Frank expressed the need for a physical address and that finalization of the charter school facilities would bring additional applications. Everyone agreed that we should run another ad for hiring personnel in the Daily Reflector want ads section.

Phil said that the curriculum committee did not have anything to report at this time.

Frank gave an update from the technology committee. He submitted the paperwork to NCREN. He discussed various startup software solutions such as Google docs, Gmail, etc. Frank will talk to NCREN tomorrow about our startup needs. He has a list of vendors and suggests that we proceed with pricing and options. Charlotte mentioned the possibility of leasing equipment as opposed to buying. Everyone agreed we should investigate all options.

Next on the agenda, Frank discussed the issues that we need to resolve surrounding employee benefits and the North Carolina Public School Employee Benefits Manual. There is a question

about employees transferring sick leave, and a retirement system director is contacting the AG office for clarification. They will notify Frank of their findings. Other items that need to be finalized are longevity pay and supplements. Frank emphasized that these decisions need to be made before we begin hiring.

Frank reported that the Bear Grass Charter School Board by-laws have been updated and submitted to the State Board of Education for approval.

Delmas gave an update on the progress of the proposed charter school sites. A soil scientist advised which property was best suited, and they are moving forward with plot maps. Frank suggested that we submit septic plans by Friday. We need to move forward because of the time required for temporary power, surveys, erosion control plan, and building permits. Delmas reminded the group that July 1 is the first date that we can receive funding. We need a certificate of occupancy in order to receive funds. Frank will have a firm price on modular units next week.

155 student applications have been received. The enrollment period ends April 30. We need to submit our projected enrollment to the county board of education in June.

The next charter school training session will be on Wednesday, May 2, 2012. Delmas and Frank will be attending. Charlotte can also attend if needed.

The next scheduled board meeting will be on Tuesday, May 1, 2012 at 7:00 PM at the Yucca house in Bear Grass, NC.

Adjournment:

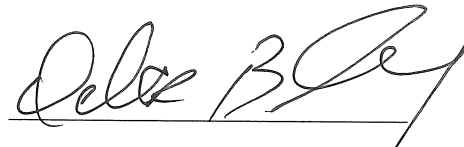
The meeting was adjourned by Delmas Cumbee, Board Co-Chairman at 8:22 PM.

Minutes submitted by:



Mary Anna Moseley, Secretary

Approved by:



Delmas Cumbee, Board Co-Chairman