



Bear Grass Charter School Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes February 19, 2013

Opening:

The Bear Grass Charter School Board met on February 19, 2013 at the Yucca House, Bear Grass, NC. Delmas Cumbee, Board Co-Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:12 PM.

Present:

Delmas Cumbee, Frank Beck, Ron Preston, Phil Hodges, Charlotte Griffin, Pam Gibbs

Guests:

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

The minutes from the January 22, 2013 meeting were not available for review. These will be approved at the March 19, 2013 meeting

Two students were recognized for the character trait of Honesty. Noah Nicholson from the 8th grade was nominated by Tiffany Hassell-Abel and Shelby Matthews from the 12th grade was nominated by Karen Coltrain.

Donna reported that student re-enrollment is at 100%. A total of 101 new applications have been received. A lottery will have to be held for grades 6 and 8 and a waiting list lottery for grades 7 and 9. The lottery will be held on March 14, 2013 at 6:00 PM in the school auditorium. Student enrollment packets will be due 30 days after the lottery date. The lottery will be advertised in the areas in which applications were received.

Donna provided a curriculum report. Julie White will attend PowerSchool training. PLTW, Project Lead The Way will take place February 20, 2013 at BGCS. Donna will be attending a Charter School conference March 21-22 in Raleigh. She is going to contact Thomas Miller to see if he would come to BGCS and do a presentation for the board members to review board governance.

There is one student that will require homebound services. Grading period ends March 6, 2013 with report cards going home March 14, 2013. Contract services will have to put in place for OT Evaluations for our EC students that are in need. Mary Beth will be attending an EC Director's meeting March 12-13 in Greensboro.

A written update was provided by the building and grounds committee. A proposal plan was submitted with the most current needs to long term wishes (10 year plan). A lot of spring cleaning is currently taking place on the softball and baseball fields.

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Frank talked briefly on technology. With the incoming 2013-14 6th grade class, additional computers will have to be purchased. The board will have to decide which is a better route to take hard copy books vs. laptops. Digital books will have to be purchased again for the new school year.

The Board Policy Manual is currently being worked on/updated. All board members will be assigned sections and will work on the policy manual.

Donna reported that the Standard 6 for Accountability in McRel System was in place. The 3rd observation had been completed and was up to date. The 2nd round of Benchmarks will take place this month. March 19, 2013 is the test date for the ACT.

Bus transportation was discussed briefly. A trial period the last 6 weeks of school was suggested so that what type of bus routes may be needed and to see what issues will need to be worked out for the 2013-14 school year can be determined.

BGCS was denied membership into the Coastal 10 Conference. Other options will be investigated for our athletic department.

Pursuant to General Statutes 143-318.11(a)(5) and 143-318.11(a)(6), a motion was made by Phil, seconded by Delmas and passed unanimously, for the board to go into closed session to discuss facilities acquisition and personnel. At 7:47 PM, the board entered closed session.

A motion was made by Delmas, seconded by Phil, and approved unanimously to leave closed session at 8:25 pm.

A motion was made by Charlotte to approve the personnel contracts as presented during closed session. Phil seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Delmas to approve the finance contract as presented during closed session. Charlotte seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Delmas to approve a bid for another activity bus as presented during closed session. Phil seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Frank to approve allocated funds to the building and grounds committee as presented in closed session. Phil seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The next scheduled board meeting will be on Tuesday, March 19, 2013 at 6:00 PM at the Yucca house in Bear Grass, NC.

Adjournment:

Delmas made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ron seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned by Delmas Cumbee, Board Co-Chairman at 8:36 PM.

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Minutes submitted by:

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Pam Gibbs, Acting Secretary

Approved by:

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Delmas Cumbee, Board Co-Chairman