

Bear Grass Charter School Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes February 8, 2016

Opening:

The Bear Grass Charter School Board met on February 8, 2016 at the Bear Grass Charter School band room, Bear Grass, NC. Delmas Cumbee, Board Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Present:

Delmas Cumbee Kent Dickerson Phil Hodges Pam Gibbs

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 January 11, 2016 meeting were approved.

Motion: Georgia, Second: Kent. Motion passed.

The following students were recognized for displaying the character education program trait of Honesty:

Middle School: Logan Hale

High School: Chandler Williams

Math Competition

30 MS and HS students participated on Jan 30th in the Pam Pack Math Competition. The MS Math 1 team placed 3rd overall while the HS Math 2 and 3 teams won 1st place overall. Rachel Price placed 1st in Math 2 individual as well as overall. John Stephens placed 1st in Math 3 individual and 3rd overall.

Public Comment:

No discussions/updates took place.

Student Enrollment:

Initial enrollment period has ended. A total of 116 applications were received. The lottery will take place at 6:00 PM March 7th, 2016 in the BGCS auditorium. Current enrollment is 352 students.

Curriculum/Staff Development:

An updated staff development plan was provided for the board.

Stem Professional Development (25 hours per STEM teacher) An ECU staff member will be assisting with this staff development plan.

EC Update:

An official letter has been received for the EC Audit. Compliance was above and beyond for the EC program.

A financial EC Audit will take place in April. This will be a virtual audit over a two day period.

Buildings and Grounds:

Maintenance report provided informed the board of the Asbestos Plan Management report. A reviewer came out and found that all things are in order and will update our records.

The addition to building 400 was discussed. A motion was made to move forward with the building agreement as discussed.

Motion: Kent, Second: Georgia. Motion passed.

Technology:

Principal Moore informed the board that Matt Kalmowitz, IT is currently uploading apps that are needed for NCVPS classes as well as MS Office on the Chrome Books.

Public Relations:

No discussions/updates took place.

Accountability (Academic):

Principal Moore discussed an 8th grade math elective for the upcoming school year. This class will help prepare 8th grade students for Math 1 that are not quite ready.

ACT prep is under way for 11th graders. Nine review sessions are planned and a test date is set for early March.

Student Services:

No discussions/updates took place.

Child Nutrition:

New vendors are on board—salads from Burger King and subs from Subway. Principal Moore highly praised Tammy Riffle for her time she spent in the café helping with lunches and organizing the student orders.

Transportation:

Mr. Harrison is still searching for a spare bus. He actually stated that we probably needed to look for two since the others are racking up mileage.

Athletics:

NCHSAA Conference for 2016-2017. BGCS will be in a smaller conference for the 2017-18 school year. This will align our school with similar matched opponents.

Other Discussion:

The board discussed the previous meeting with Mrs. Ausherman as a possible board member. The board would like to wait before making a final decision on Mrs. Ausherman.

Finance:

An updated budget report was provided for the board.

Human Resources:

3 MS teacher positions for the 2016-2017 school year will be needed to handle increasing enrollment plus this will allow for reduced class size. A discussion took place regarding the need for three new teacher positions. The most positive outcome for the new hires would be getting the MS classrooms to a more manageable size.

Two coach positions were discussed for MS and JV baseball. A motion was made to hire the two personnel as discussed for baseball.

Motion: Delmas, Second: Kent. Motion passed.

Pursuant to General Statutes 143-318.11(a)(5) and 143-318.11(a)(6), a motion was made by Delmas, seconded by Georgia and passed unanimously, for the board to go into closed session to discuss human resources. At 6:45PM, the board entered closed session.

The board came out of closed session at 6:54 PM. Motion: Georgia, Second: Delmas.

No motions were required after the board came out of closed session.

The next scheduled board meeting will be on Monday March 14, 2016 at 6:00 PM in the Bear Grass Charter School band room.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn: Georgia, Second: Kent. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned by Delmas Cumbee, Chairman at 6:55 PM.

Minutes submitted by:

Pam Gibbs, Secretary

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Delmas Cumbee, Board Chairman