



Bear Grass Charter School Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes July 3, 2012

Opening:

The Bear Grass Charter School Board met on July 3, 2012 at the Bear Grass Charter School Cafeteria, Bear Grass, NC. The meeting was relocated from the Yucca house, which is directly across the street, due to air conditioning problems at that facility. Delmas Cumbee, Board Co-Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

Present:

Delmas Cumbee, Frank Beck, Pam Gibbs, Georgia Smallwood, Ron Preston, Charlotte Griffin, Mary Anna Moseley

Guests:

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

The minutes from the June 26, 2012 meeting were reviewed. Frank made a motion to accept the minutes. Georgia seconded. Motion carried.

The board needs to send a letter confirming our decision to enroll in the State Employee's Health and Retirement Plans. Delmas and Frank will take care of this.

Delmas reported that the current student enrollment is 232. Donna will give the board a list of the remaining non-confirmed slots so that the board members can attempt to contact the families to get confirmation that the student will be attending.

The curriculum committee has not met since last week. More that 40 students have come in to register for classes. Many students are interested in robotics. Since NCWISE is down, Donna and Mary Beth have been scheduling the classes manually.

The athletics department will have an all sport parent meeting on July 10 at 5:30 PM in the gym. The official start date for Volleyball is August 1. Frank mentioned the need to petition the NCHSAA to allow us to join so that the school can get into a conference this year. Donna and the athletic director will pursue this.

There will be a meeting at the school on July 16 at 6:00 PM for all 6th graders, along with their parents, who are interested in joining the band. An instrument representative will be on site to answer questions about leasing and purchasing options for band instruments.

Donna reported on the various upcoming training sessions for the administration and faculty members.

Frank gave an update on internet access to the building. NCREN doesn't know if Centurylink can provide what is needed by the start of the school year. We may have to go with Suddenlink on a month by month basis temporarily. A certified network engineer is coming Tuesday to walk through the buildings and make recommendations. The board will discuss his recommendations next Tuesday. The board also needs to make a decision on using Google Apps instead of Microsoft Office.

Charlotte and Frank have both talked to Centurylink this week about phone service. Charlotte will take care of this. Donna asked that the board also consider a system for making mass phone calls to the students, such as "alert now".

The board reviewed a list of items concerning the facility.

- Daniel "Bull" Rogers is overseeing all construction/remodeling. Many volunteers have been out here working during the last three days. A lot of progress has been made.
- One quote for the roofing repairs has been received. We are waiting on two more quotes. Shingles will be used due to the building being on the historic register. The board will vote next week on the contract to complete the roofing repairs.
- Several shades of blue are currently on the campus. The official "Bear Grass Blue" paint color was decided. Charlotte was given board approval to select the carpet and tile colors.
- The board was reminded that all quotes/contractors need full board approval.
- The board was advised not to use the Cultural Center as an EC classroom.
- One quote for breaking down, moving, and setting up the double wide modular unit that was donated has been received. A second quote should be received this week. A motion was made by Frank, seconded by Ron, and passed unanimously to approve the expenditure to move the donated modular unit to the campus, not to exceed a cost of \$4000.
- A motion was made by Mary Anna, seconded by Georgia, and passed unanimously to transfer the town's fire extinguisher maintenance contract with P & H, from the Town of Bear Grass to the Bear Grass Charter School.
- The Bear Grass Charter School Sign design was discussed. Frank presented three options/quotes he had received from a company in Greenville. He will get additional quotes before a decision is made.
- Delmas made a motion to move forward with getting all permits and contracts for the septic system transferred from the Town to the Bear Grass Charter School. Frank seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

- Security system needs were discussed. No action was taken.
- The board is waiting on two more quotes before making a decision on purchasing insurance.

The board discussed questions from Donna about senior privileges. This will be discussed again next week. The board agreed that students will not be charged a parking fee.

Pursuant to General Statutes 143-318.11(a)(5) and 143-318.11(a)(6), a motion was made by Frank, seconded by Delmas and passed unanimously, for the board to take a ten minute break and then go immediately into closed session to discuss facilities acquisition and personnel. At 8:33 PM, the board entered closed session.

A motion was made by Delmas, seconded by Charlotte, and passed unanimously to leave closed session. The board came out of closed session at 9:45 PM.

Next week, the board will discuss the option of meeting two times per week until the beginning of the school year. The next scheduled board meeting will be on Tuesday, July 10, 2012 at 7:00 PM at the Yucca house in Bear Grass, NC.

Adjournment:

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

The meeting was adjourned by Delmas Cumbee, Board Co-Chairman at 9:48 PM.

Minutes submitted by:



Mary Anna Moseley, Secretary

Approved by:



Delmas Cumbee, Board Co-Chairman