Bear Grass Charter School Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes March 13, 2012

Opening:

On March 13, 2012, Delmas Cumbee called the Bear Grass Charter School Board meeting to order at 6:40 PM in the Yucca House, Bear Grass, NC.

Present:

Phil Hodges, Delmas Cumbee, Frank Beck, Ron Preston, Larry Ward, Mary Anna Moseley, Sharon Schleigh, Georgia Smallwood

Guests: Charlotte Griffin-Bear Grass Mayor

A. Approval of Agenda

Phil made a motion to approve the agenda and it was seconded by Larry. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the meeting on March 6, 2012 were reviewed. Phil made a motion to approve the minutes which was seconded by Larry. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Open Issues

The board discussed the officer requirements stated in the by-laws. The motion was made by Phil to make Delmas Cumbee the president of the board of directors. Larry seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Delmas made a motion to make Frank Beck co-chairman and Phil the vice-president of the board. Ron seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The officers are:

- Delmas Cumbee President and co-chairman
- Frank Beck co-chairman
- Phil Hodges Vice-president
- Delmas Cumbee Treasurer
- Mary Anna Moseley Secretary

D. New Business

Pursuant to General Statutes 143-318.11(a)(6) a motion was made by Frank Beck, seconded by Delmas Cumbee and passed unanimously, the board went into closed session to interview a candidate for principal of the Bear Grass Charter School.

Upon a motion by Frank Beck, seconded by Delmas Cumbee and passed unanimously by the board, closed session ended.

When the board reconvened in open session, Sharon Schleigh made a motion to table the hiring of the principal until financial decisions can be made. Frank seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Frank led the group through the remainder of the agenda items. The current committees were reviewed. The group agreed that a board member should serve on each committee. Georgia nominated Sharon Schleigh as the chair of the curriculum committee. The group agreed. Other members of the curriculum committee include Ron Preston, Georgia Smallwood, and Phil Hodges.

Frank stated the need to review the staffing positions for the school, in order to advertise the job openings. Discussion followed. Phil will work up a sample advertisement to run in the local newspapers.

The next item on the agenda was the student enrollment process for the 2012-2013 school year. Delmas proposed that the board accept applications from April 2nd through April 30th, 2012. Applications must be delivered or postmarked by April 30th. Advertising for students will begin at least one week prior to April 2. Everyone was agreeable to these terms.

Facility options, timelines, and deadlines were discussed. Multiple plan options will begin to be implemented in parallel with one another.

Frank distributed a charter school opening checklist that he received from DPI.

Delmas asked who would be able to attend the charter school training at DPI on Friday, March 23, 2012. Delmas, Frank, Charlotte, and Mary Anna will definitely attend. Others may be able to attend as well, and should notify Delmas so that he can add their name to the registration sheet. Delmas told the group that North Carolina Alliance of Charter Schools (NCACS) is also conducting a training session next Thursday which he will attend. This training will cover employee benefits and retirement plan options. The board needs to make a decision on participating in the NC State retirement plan by March 30, 2012.

E. Agenda for Next Meeting

The board will continue the discussion on the hiring of a principal next week.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM by Delmas Cumbee. The next general meeting will be at 7:00 PM on Monday, March 19, 2012 in the Yucca House at Bear Grass.

Minutes submitted by:

Approved by:

Mary Anna Moseley, Secretary

Delmas Cumbee, Co-Chairman