

Bear Grass Charter School Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes
March 27, 2012

Opening:

On March 27, 2012, Delmas Cumbee called the Bear Grass Charter School Board meeting to order at 7:10 PM in the Yucca House, Bear Grass, NC.

Present:

Phil Hodges, Delmas Cumbee, Ron Preston, Mary Anna Moseley, Georgia Smallwood, Frank Beck (by phone)

Guests: Charlotte Griffin-Bear Grass Mayor, Pam Gibbs

A copy of the minutes was not available for review. The minutes will be reviewed at the next board meeting.

Delmas Cumbee made a motion to add Pam Gibbs to the board and also make her chairperson of the food service committee. Phil seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Delmas attended training last Thursday at Voyager Academy in Durham, NC. He summarized the PowerPoint presented at the training on employee retirement and health plan options. Delmas made a motion that the board participate in the North Carolina state retirement and health plans. Georgia seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Delmas, Frank, Charlotte, and Mary Anna recapped the training session that they attended at DPI on Friday, March 23, 2012. Some of the key points discussed were:

- Any changes to the charter application have to be approved by the State Board of Education.
- The board and all committees are subject to the open meetings laws. Frank will set up gmail accounts for the board members to use for charter school correspondence.
- We will need to complete a grant application to receive EC funds.
- Delmas and Frank reviewed the options presented for internet access to charter schools. Delmas made a motion to sign up for NCREN. Ron seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Frank will chair the IT (Technology) committee. Mary Anna will also serve on the IT committee.

Phil made the motion to allow visitors to sign up prior to board meetings for public comments at the beginning of the meeting. Each speaker would be allowed a maximum of three minutes. The total time allowed for public comments would be fifteen minutes. Delmas seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Teacher applications are available online. The newspaper advertisement for personnel ran in the Washington and Greenville papers last Sunday and the ad will run in the Enterprise tomorrow. Ron will work on advertising the positions at ECU and Career Services. The personnel committee will develop job descriptions.

Frank discussed facility options and timelines involved with using modular units.

Delmas informed the members that the Office of Charter Schools has requested that all board members be present for the April 12, 2012 training at DPI. School governance will be the training topic.

Frank will send board members a final copy of the student enrollment application. Upon approval, he will make the application available online on the Bear Grass Charter School website.

Phil will get flyers out to the local churches notifying the public that we are now accepting student applications. He will also display the open enrollment period on the Ruritan's sign.

Delmas discussed options for contracting out financial services. He gave cost estimates for two different companies. The group decided to table the discussion until next week.

The next meeting will be on Thursday, April 5 at 7:00 PM

Adjournment:

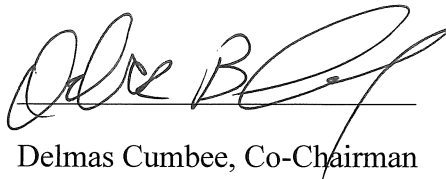
The meeting was adjourned by Delmas Cumbee, co-chairman at 8:50 PM.

Minutes submitted by:



Mary Anna Moseley, Secretary

Approved by:



Delmas Cumbee, Co-Chairman