

Bear Grass Charter School Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes May 1, 2012

Opening:

On May 1, 2012, Delmas Cumbee, Board Co-Chairman called the Bear Grass Charter School Board meeting to order at 7:05 PM in the Yucca House, Bear Grass, NC.

Present:

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

The minutes from the April 24, 2012 meeting were reviewed. Frank made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Georgia seconded. Motion carried.

Frank distributed a one-page summary of the current North Carolina Graduation requirements. Frank expressed the need to focus on the courses we will offer by grade level. The curriculum committee has been focusing on delivery methods but we also need to make decisions on course offerings.

Frank reported for the technology committee. We have been contacted by NCREN since submitting our application to them. NCREN is ready to proceed, but is waiting on a physical address of our facility.

Pursuant to General Statutes 143-318.11(a)(5) and 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 discuss the acquisition of property and personnel (hiring a principal).

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

A discussion of the school calendar followed. Frank distributed a draft calendar for the 2012-2013 school year. The draft calendar assumes that we will be granted the waiver to have 180 school days instead of the new state requirement of 185 days. The proposed calendar also uses a six week grading period as opposed to a nine week grading period. A motion was made by Charlotte and seconded by Pam to approve the draft calendar presented for the 2012-2013 school year. Motion passed unanimously.

Employee benefits were discussed. Frank has not received a definite answer from the Attorney General's office on current state employees transferring sick leave to the Bear Grass Charter School, and using the sick leave towards retirement. We may need to get an attorney to contact the Attorney General's office for clarification.

Delmas reported on student enrollment. The postmark deadline was yesterday (April 30), and as of today 209 student applications have been received. We may get a few more in with the required postmark date. We will not need to conduct a lottery which had been potentially scheduled for next Tuesday night. The highest number of applications was received for the 6th grade, and the lowest number received by grade was for the 12th grade. Frank and Delmas will develop a student enrollment form or student enrollment package to be completed by all applicants. The enrollment package will be sent to all students that have applied, with a deadline for returning the package to the Charter School.

Delmas, Frank and Pam will attend the charter school training at the Office of Charter Schools tomorrow.

The next scheduled board meeting will be on Tuesday, May 8, 2012 at 6:00 PM at the Yucca house in Bear Grass, NC. We will immediately go into closed session to conduct an interview.

Agenda for Next Meeting

The board will interview a candidate for principal at next week's meeting.

Adjournment:

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

The meeting was adjourned by Delmas Cumbee, Board Co-Chairman at 8:50 PM.

Minutes submitted by:

Approved by:

Mary Anna Moseley, Secretary

Delmas Cumbee, Board Co-Chairman