

Bear Grass Charter School Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes October 21, 2014

Opening:

The Bear Grass Charter School Board met on October 21, 2014 at the Bear Grass Charter School band room, Bear Grass, NC. Delmas Cumbee, Board Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

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Present:
Charlotte Griffin Georgia Smallwood
Guests:
Mary Beth Jackson, Bear Grass Charter School Assistant Principal

The minutes from the September 15, 2014 meeting were approved with noted corrections.

Motion: Charlotte, Second: Phil. Motion passed.

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

Middle School: Emily Chandler

High School: Kirsten Forbes

Señor Rufino was recognized for being a great role model for this trait as well.

Joshua Wynn was recognized as the winner of the NCHSAA Scholar- Athlete Essay Contest sponsored by the NC National Guard. Josh had to write a 400 word essay answering the prompt, "Being a Scholar-Athlete will translate to my future success because...."
Only one male and one female athlete from the state of North Carolina were selected.

Principal Moore has started the Golden Apple Award, an in-house morale booster. Teachers are recognized for the extra effort that they display.

Principal Moore announced that BGCS had a high school graduation rate of 97% for the 2013-2014 school year.

Principal Moore gave an update on current school year's enrollment numbers. We are currently at 331.

Principal Moore provided an update on curriculum/staff development which included a brief discussion on BGCS Goals that are outlined in our charter application. She stated that our goals needed to be reviewed. A motion was made to authorize Donna and Mary Beth to review our charter school goals and bring back to the board recommendations. Motion: Charlotte, Second: Phil. Motion passed.

Principal Moore discussed her campus visit at University of Mt Olive and the collaborations that are in the works for music, Science and a possible agricultural grant.

Ms. Jackson provided an update on EC. A parent survey had been mailed out and the results were discussed with the board. A few items were rated as needing improvement and these will be discussed with the staff for solutions.

Technology discussion included the requirements for the 2015-2016 new student computers. The IT support staff will have a presentation outlining the needs/requirements at our November board meeting.

Principal Moore provided an open meeting power point presentation on the 2014 Test Scores and our ranking with our feeder schools.

Transportation updates included the possible need for a third school bus for the 2015-2016 school year. We currently have 2 buses at capacity. We will re-visit the third bus need towards the end of the school year.

Athletics issues discussed was the 365 day waiver rule that transferring students have to abide by. Six waivers had been submitted and only 2 have been approved.

On November 6, a representative from the NC School of Science and Math will be on campus to speak with our students.

Honor Math students will be traveling to Rodgers Elementary School to share Math Book projects with the students there.

The Destiny Bus, a science lab, will be on campus tomorrow, October 22.

Finance update was provided by Chairman Delmas Cumbee. Amendments will be presented at the November board meeting.

Principal Moore shared a listing of donations provided to our school by outside entities.

Principal Moore presented a Beginning Teacher Support Plan for BGCS. A motion was made to approve the 2014 Beginning Teacher Support Plan. Motion: Charlotte, Second: Ron. Motion passed.

A substitute teach teacher list was presented. A motion was made to approve the substitute teacher listing. Motion: Kent, Second: Ron. Motion passed. Principal Moore also shared a Standard 6 Rating for Teachers for BGCS.

Pursuant to General Statutes 143-318.11(a)(5) and 143-318.11(a)(6), a motion was made by Charlotte, seconded by Ron and passed unanimously, for the board to go into closed session to discuss human resources. At 8:25 PM, the board entered closed session.

The board came out of closed session at 8:40 PM. Motion: Phil, Second: Georgia.

No motions had to be made after the board came out of closed session:

The next scheduled board meeting will be on Monday, November 17, 2014 2014 at 7:00 PM in the Bear Grass Charter School band room.

Adjournment:

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

The meeting was adjourned by Delmas Cumbee, Board Chairman at 8:40 PM.

Minutes submitted by:

Pam Gibbs, Secretary

Approved by:

Delmas Cumbee, Board Chairman