



## Bear Grass Charter School Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes  
October 25, 2016

### Opening:

The Bear Grass Charter School Board met on October 25, 2016 at the Bear Grass Charter School media center, Bear Grass, NC. Delmas Cumbee, Board Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

### Present:

- Delmas Cumbee
- Kent Dickerson
- Phil Hodges
- Pam Gibbs
- Charlotte Griffin
- Georgia Smallwood

### Guests:

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

The minutes from the September 19, 2016 meeting were approved.

**Motion:** Georgia, Second: Phil. Motion passed.

The following students were recognized for displaying the character education program trait of Responsibility.

Middle School: Ireland Haltigan

High School: Chris Bosso

### Public Comment:

No discussions or updates took place.

### Student Enrollment:

Discussion took place during closed session regarding student withdrawal.

**Curriculum/Staff Development:**

An updated staff development plan was provided for the board.

**EC Update:**

No discussions or updates took place.

**Building and Grounds:**

The BGFDD is going to oversee a controlled burn of the house on the property that school has just acquired. The plumbing and science labs are the major items left to be completed in the new addition.

**Technology:**

The new server room has been set up in building 500.

The lease is up on the staff computers at the end of this school year. We will have to purchase/lease new staff computers for the 2017-18 school year.

Principal Moore discussed with the board her goal to obtain new Paxton and Patterson Labs for the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade students. These are 5 action labs that are in the Health Sciences field—Allied Health, Bio-Medical Engineering, Dentistry, Veterinary Medicine, and EMT. She touched on start-up costs and explained by starting these types of labs in earlier grades then the students would be open for more electives in their high school classes. This discussion rolled into another item in the works—dual enrollment with ECU. This is still in the early phases of discussion.

**Public Relations:**

No discussions or updates took place.

**Accountability (Academic):**

1<sup>st</sup> Benchmarks/CASE were scheduled for the week of Oct 17-21 but hurricane Matthew put them behind. The middle school benchmark is scheduled for Oct 26.

**Student Services:**

No discussions or updates took place.

**Child Nutrition:**

No discussions or updates took place.

**Transportation:**

Mr. Harrison is still on the hunt for a yellow bus.

**Athletics:**

Mr. Rogerson provided the board with a quote of football uniform start-up prices. They have had discussions regarding scoreboards, bleachers, press box, field goal posts, field requirements and all other items that it takes to make a successful football program. Mr. Rogerson feels confident that they have the support to make the program work. After a lengthy discussion among the board a motion was made to move forward with a new BGCS Football Program.

**Motion:** Kent, Second: Phil. Motion passed.

**Other Discussion Items:**

Principal Moore discussed with the board master's pay for teachers. A couple of teachers had started on their master's degree prior to the 2014 law that eliminated pay increases for staff that had enriched their education with master degrees. A brief discussion took place among the board and a motion was made to follow state guidelines regarding master degree teacher pay.

**Motion:** Kent, Second: Georgia. Motion passed.

**Finance:**

An updated budget report was provided for the board.

Pursuant to General Statutes 143-318.11(a)(5) and 143-318.11(a)(6), a motion was made by Phil, seconded by Kent and passed unanimously, for the board to go into closed session to discuss human resources. At 6:40 PM, the board entered closed session.

The board came out of closed session at 7:04 PM. Motion: Phil, Second: Kent.

The following motion was required after the board came out of closed session.

To approve all personnel decisions as discussed.

**Motion:** Phil, Second: Georgia. Motion passed.

The next scheduled board meeting will be on Monday November 21, 2016 at 6:00 PM in the Bear Grass Charter School band room.

**Adjournment:**

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

The meeting was adjourned by Delmas Cumbee, Chairman at 7:12 PM.

Minutes submitted by:



Pam Gibbs, Secretary

Approved by:



Delmas Cumbee, Board Chairman