



Bear Grass Charter School Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes
May 15, 2017

Opening:

The Bear Grass Charter School Board met on May 15, 2017 at the Bear Grass Charter School media center, Bear Grass, NC. Delmas Cumbee, Board Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:00 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 April 10, 2017 meeting were approved.

Motion: Phil, Second: Charlotte. Motion passed.

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

Middle School: Trey Cherry

High School: Olivia Prater

Skills USA team member, Kolbie Dickerson was selected as a state officer at the state conference held this past weekend. The seat that she will hold is to be determined at a later date.

Public Comment:

No comments/updates took place.

Student Enrollment:

Student enrollment for the 2017-18 school year is 404.

Curriculum/Staff Development:

An updated staff development plan was provided for the board.

Principal Moore discussed the ACT/PREP Program that was utilized for the 2016-17 school year and how well it worked for the students. After a short discussion a motion was made to renew the ACT-Prep Program for the 2017-18 school year.

Motion: Kent, Second: Charlotte. Motion passed.

EC Update:

The yearly EC grant has completed and submitted.

There are 3 new EC students for the new school year. That brings the total to 47 for EC students for both middle and high school combined.

Building and Grounds:

Jackie Harrison, maintenance supervisor, provided the board with a detailed building and grounds update. He reviewed with the board several quotes that he had received to lower the ceiling in the cafeteria. A student rated sound panel would be installed to help reduce the noise level. The carpeting will be removed from the old library and replaced with wood/laminate flooring. The Health Sciences labs will take place in this area. Rock had to be purchased for the waste water plant. AC is being researched for the gym locker rooms. There is a set-up that the ac from the main gym area can be filtered into the locker rooms.

Technology:

Tony Hale, IT Manager, discussed in detail the IT Financial forecast for the 2017-18 school year. He presented the board with a detailed list of purchase needs for the school year. Mr. Hale has worked diligently on money saving ideas for the IT department.

Public Relations:

No discussion or updates took place.

Accountability (Academic):

EOG's have been completed and EOC's are in progress. EOG make-ups will take place this week.

Compared to last year, EOG scores for the 8th grade increased for Science and ELA but decreased for Math this school year. 7th grade scores increased for both Math and ELA. 6th grade scores decreased in both Math and ELA.

Principal Moore presented a proposal to the board in which 8th grade would take Physical Science rather than Math I. This proposal is requested due to the changes that DPI has made in Math I testing requirements. A motion was made to create a policy requiring 8th students to take Physical Science and not be allowed to take Math I.

Motion: Charlotte, Second: Georgia. Motion passed.

Student Services:

Student class schedules have been completed for the 2017-18 school year.

Child Nutrition:

No discussions/updates took place.

Transportation:

An additional yellow bus is needed. One bus is currently at capacity. Camera systems are being installed on the buses.

Athletics:

No discussions/updates took place.

Other Discussion Items:

Principal Moore is developing a Mental Health Plan for BGCS. This is required and is due in October.

Finance:

An updated budget report was provided for the board.

2017-18 budget is currently being processed.

Human Resources:

Principal Moore presented the employment contracts for the 2017-18 school year for approval. A motion was made to accept the staff contracts for the 2017-18 school year.

Motion: Charlotte, Second: Kent. Motion passed.

Pursuant to General Statutes 143-318.11(a)(5) and 143-318.11(a)(6), a motion was made by Charlotte, seconded by Phil and passed unanimously, for the board to go into closed session to discuss human resources. At 6:57 PM, the board entered closed session.

The board came out of closed session at 7:26 PM. Motion: Georgia Second: Charlotte.

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

A motion was made to accept the recommended actions for the student issues as discussed.

Motion: Charlotte, Second: Phil. Motion passed.

The next scheduled board meeting will be on Monday June 19th, at 6:00 PM in the Bear Grass Charter School media room.

Adjournment:

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

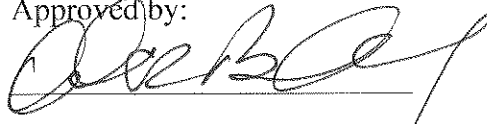
The meeting was adjourned by Delmas Cumbee, Chairman at 7:30 PM.

Minutes submitted by:



Pam Gibbs, Secretary

Approved by:



Delmas Cumbee, Board Chairman