

Bear Grass Charter School Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes November 20, 2017

Opening:

The Bear Grass Charter School Board met on November 20, 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 October 16, 2017 meeting were approved.

Motion: Charlotte, Second: Georgia. Motion passed.

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

Middle School: Josh Wells

High School: Kelly Dysart

Brooke Bonds, Dawson Taylor and Thomas Rose, all members of the Scuba Club, were present at the board meeting. Five students went on the field trip. They presented a power-point presentation of their dive trip to Bonaire they took in October. The members spoke of their excursions they experienced while they were away.

Public Comment:

No updates or discussions took place.

Student Enrollment:

Total student enrollment is 403. Principal Moore informed the board that 60 openings would be advertised for 6th grade for the 2018-19 school year. This would put total student enrollment to 418 for the 1018-19 school year.

Curriculum/Staff Development:

An updated staff development plan was provided for the board.

EC Update:

A handout regarding MTSS (Multi-Tiered System of Support) was provided for the board. This is a framework which promotes school improvement through engaging, research-based academic and behavioral practices. MTSS is designed to reach all at risk students not only EC students. The Tier 1 goal is to assist students before they become an EC issue.

Building and Grounds:

Jackie Harrison, maintenance supervisor, provided the board with a detailed building and grounds update. ADS Security is the new security provider for BGCS. East Coast Security no longer provides this service for the school. He discussed the rebate received on the new gym lights, the need for an AC/Heating unit in the weight room. He informed the board of new upcoming projects. Floors in the middle school need to be finished, AC/Heating units as well as new windows in the high school wing and new auditorium seats.

Technology:

The 6 year lease will be renewable for the 2018-19 school year.

Public Relations:

No discussion or updates took place.

Accountability (Academic):

EVAAS data has been released. This item was discussed in closed session.

Student Services:

The German Exchange Program is being overseen by staff member, Tiffany Hassell-Abel. There are 9 students that will participate in the program for the 2018-19 school year. The program is being offered to the 11th graders as well. Once students become seniors, they lose interest in wanting to travel to Germany.

Child Nutrition:

No discussions/updates took place.

Transportation:

Principal Moore provided the board with a handout regarding a charter school transportation grant.

Athletics:

The fall sports season is completed and the winter sports season has begun.

Other Discussion Items:

No discussions/updates took place.

Finance:

An updated budget report was provided for the board.

The audit has been completed for the year end of June 30, 2017. BGCS received a good and clear opinion. The BCGS foundation has been added to the audit.

Human Resources:

Principal Moore discussed with the board her recommendation of a new hire for the HS English position.

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. At 6:58 PM, the board entered closed session.

The board came out of closed session at 7:30 PM. Motion: Charlotte, Second: Georgia

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

A motion was made to accept the new hire recommendations as discussed.

Motion: Charlotte, Second: Phil. Motion passed.

The next scheduled board meeting will be on Monday January 8, 2018 at 6:00 PM in the Bear Grass Charter School media room.

Adjournment:

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

The meeting was adjourned by Delmas Cumbee, Chairman at 7:32 PM.

Minutes submitted by:

Pam Gibbs, Secretary

Approved by:

Delmas Cumbee, Board Chairman