



Bear Grass Charter School Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes
August 20, 2018

Opening:

The Bear Grass Charter School Board met on August 20, 2018 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 June 18, 2018 meeting were approved.

Motion: Georgia, Second: Phil. Motion passed.

Special Recognition:

BGCS placed 1st in their division for the Wells Fargo Conference Cup. Wells Fargo, along with the NCHSAA, announced the final standings in the Wells Fargo Conference Cup competitions for the 2018 winter sports season. The Wells Fargo Conference Cup is a companion to the Wells Fargo Cup and recognizes schools with the best overall interscholastic athletic performances within individual conferences. Wachovia, and now Wells Fargo, has sponsored the conference awards program since 1980.

Ag Educator, Sarah Lawrence, will hold Federation Officer Interviews on Sept 27th.

Public Comment:

Jerry Rogerson spoke on behalf of the BGCS Sports Club. Due to the fact that 7 sports teams utilize one gym, he proposed the concept of building a practice gym on the BGCS campus in a couple of years. He suggested that the BGCS Sports Club, BGCS and the BGEF all equally

finance this project. Also, he threw out the idea of a JV Football team as well. He gave rough estimates for the costs of these projects. The board recommended that these ideas be discussed further in a later board meeting.

Student Enrollment:

Principal Moore provided the board with a handout of enrollment totals per grade. A discussion took place and it was decided that students would be pulled from the 9th grade wait list if there was a need.

Curriculum/Staff Development:

An updated staff development plan will be provided for the board at the September meeting. There are 5 staff members that are up for CME renewals for the 2018-19 school year.

EC and Federal Programs Update:

VP Bonds updated the board with the EC Student count for the 2018-19 BGCS year. There are currently 51 EC students.

Buildings and Grounds:

Jackie Harrison, Maintenance Supervisor, provided the board with an update on the buildings and grounds. He discussed with the board the need for a Sand-Pro for the sports fields. The current one is out of commission. He is currently shopping around for the best price. The BG Rec Committee as well as the BGCS Sports Club will donate monies towards this purchase. Board Members Charlotte Griffin and Delmas Cumbee as well as Jackie Harrison have completed training for (NC TERMS) NC Training Exercise Response Mgmt System. This program allowed our area to be registered to provide services during a disaster or emergency situation.

He reviewed the summer projects that had been completed such as new AC in the high school building, new floor in the gym, and new floors in a couple of the classrooms in the middle school building.

The media center was thought to have mold growing but issue was the AC was left in fan mode and this created dampness in the center rather than actual mold.

Technology:

BGCS currently has 4 Interactive Boards being utilized in classrooms. Principal Moore has the objective to obtain a board for each classroom. The PTSA opening fundraiser will assist with some of the funding for additional interactive boards.

Public Relations:

No updates or discussions took place.

Accountability (Academic):

2018 Test Results will not be released until September 5th, 2018. Principal Moore will provide a PowerPoint presentation at the September meeting.

Conflict of Interest, Nepotism, Criminal History and Grievance policies were reviewed and discussed by Principal Moore and the board members.

After a brief discussion, a **motion** was made to approve the policies as presented.

Motion: Charlotte, Second: Phil. Motion passed.

BGCS will have to apply again for Stem Status. The last application was reviewed by a new screening group and we were denied again. Items that we were approved on by the previous screening group were denied by the new screeners.

Student Services:

Several overnight trips were presented to the board for approval. Skills USA Team have 3 trips for the 2018-19 school year. Camp Dixie, State Leadership Convention and National Leadership Convention.

Scuba Club will travel to Bonaire December 28-January 4 as well as their annual Manatee Swim Trip to Florida in March. The club will have fundraisers throughout the year to help offset the cost of the trips.

A **motion** was made to approve the overnight trips as presented.

Motion: Phil, Second: Georgia. Motion passed.

Three other trips were discussed as well. Charlie Mosley, HS English, is proposing a trip to Atlanta, GA November 17-20 to visit Entry into Bodies: The Exhibition, Zoo Atlanta, Georgia Aquarium, Six Flags and Medieval Times Dinner Show. The Senior Class is proposing a cruise from Charleston, SC to the Bahamas May 26-June 1 as their class trip. Both will be holding interest meetings to see if further planning of these trips will be feasible.

NC EMPT (Early Math Placement Testing) is a pre-assessment test. The purpose of the NC EMPT Program is to provide beneficial, helpful advice about future college mathematics expectations. The test was given on day 3 of school. Principal Moore is currently waiting for the test results.

Child Nutrition:

Cook Out and Hardees are new lunch vendors for the 2018-19 school year.

The ROS Church Youth Minister has started coming out during lunch waves and spending time with the students.

Transportation:

Maintenance Supervisor Harrison is searching for a yellow bus as a replacement bus. The Plymouth route is at capacity and the Jamesville route is almost at capacity. Rodgers Elementary School has been added as a pick up point.

Athletics:

The board was provided a handout of the Sports Club Budget for the 2018-19 school year.

Other Discussion:

Principal Moore supplied the board with a handout of the board meeting dates for the 2018-19 school year. These dates were approved at the June 2018 board meeting.

Principal Moore reviewed a handout regarding NARCAN with the board. This nasal spray will be available at BGCS in the event of opioid overdose. 3 staff members will be trained to administer this if an opioid overdose incident ever occurs.

Over 90% of the student population attended open house on August 6, 2018.

Finance:

An updated budget report was provided for the board.

Principal Moore informed the board that a request for a time extension had been approved for the SRA Grant Title II. The application will be due by mid-October. BGCS has waived Title I funds for the 2018-19 school year.

Human Resources:

Principal Moore discussed individuals that have signed Coaching Contracts for the 2018-19 BGCS school year.

A **motion** was made to accept the coaching contracts as presented for the 2018-19 school year.

Motion: Charlotte, Second: Georgia. Motion passed.

A handout of substitute teachers was provided and discussed with the board.

A **motion** was made to accept the substitute teacher listing as presented for the 2018-19 school year.

Motion: Charlotte, Second: Kent. Motion passed.

No discussions required the board to enter into closed session.

The next scheduled board meeting will be on September 17, 2018 at 6:00 PM in the Bear Grass Charter School media center.

Adjournment:

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

The meeting was adjourned by Delmas Cumbee, Chairman at 7:13 PM.

Minutes submitted by:

Pam Gibbs

Pam Gibbs, Secretary

Approved by:

Delmas Cumbee

Delmas Cumbee, Board Chairman