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## Bear Grass Charter School Board Meeting

### Meeting Minutes February 18, 2019

#### Opening:

The Bear Grass Charter School Board met on February 18, 2019 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 January 22, 2019 meeting were approved via email January 23, 2019.

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

#### Special Recognition:

The following students were recognized for the Character Education—Honesty.

Middle School: Shawn Modlin

High School: Lilly Clement

#### Public Comment:

A letter was distributed to the board by a student's parents. Board members read the letter and no discussion took place during this time.

**Student Enrollment:**

Principal Moore informed the board that 116 applications have been received for the 2019-20 BGCS school year. A lottery will be held on March 4, 2019 @6:00pm for the 6<sup>th</sup> grade as well as the waiting list for grades 6-11.

**Curriculum/Staff Development:**

An updated staff development plan was provided for the board.

**EC and Federal Programs Update:**

VP Bonds provided the board with the 2019-20 EC count. There will be a total of 47 students for the new school year.

**Buildings and Grounds:**

Jackie Harrison, maintenance supervisor, provided the board with an update on the building and grounds. A 3-year asbestos testing has been completed. The report now shows that asbestos was covered appropriately in the gym. Next week the ac/heat unit will be replaced in the back modular. He is currently obtaining quotes to upgrade the tennis courts with 3 courts. Ag teacher Lawrence provided a green house proposal for the board. She has applied for a \$5,000 grant from Tractor Supply to help fund additional materials needed to get the project started. The greenhouse will provide classroom instruction, aid in FFA Fundraising, cross-curricular projects as well as supervised agriculture experiences. She is seeking funds for an 18 x 24 greenhouse.

**Technology:**

IT Manager Hale will present the 2019-20-technology budget to the board at the March meeting. The budget will include more interactive boards, cameras in blind spots and upgrading the server.

**Public Relations:**

No updates or discussions took place.

**Accountability (Academic):**

BGCS is in compliance for tasks 1-6 with the 2019 Performance Framework Epicenter. 14 sessions have been completed for ACT On to College. The ACT test will be given on February 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Student Services:**

Discussion took place in closed session regarding PLT Suspension.  
VP Bonds informed the board of upcoming school trips for BGCS students.  
Scuba Club-Manatee Dive in Florida

Spanish Club-Spain Trip in April

Band—Pigeon Forge in April

All interested students—Germany in May/June

Scuba Club—Bonaire' in Dec 2019-Jan 2020

There will be interest meetings for all students for New York and China for 2020 trips.

**Child Nutrition:**

No discussions or updates took place.

**Transportation:**

Mr. Harrison is still searching for a yellow bus for the 2019-2020 school year.

**Athletics:**

As mentioned in the building and grounds update, quotes are being obtained for tennis courts.

**Other Discussion:**

The amendments to the BGCS By-Laws have been approved by DPI as of February 14, 2019. A handout was provided with the board members terms. Voting will take place in June 2019 for those with expiring terms.

A local community member had a scholarship proposal for the board. A \$500 scholarship will be awarded to any graduating senior going into any of the 5 branches of the military. The selection of the recipient will be left solely up to the BGCS Educational Foundation.

Principal Moore discussed with the board Session 2018-144 NC Voting ID's as a requirement for staff. After a discussion among the board, a decision was made to not go with the Session 2018-144 NC Voting ID as a requirement for staff.

**Finance:**

An updated budget report was provided for the board.

**Human Resources:**

Principal Moore announced the coaches/volunteers for the 2019 spring sports season. A **motion** was made to accept the volunteers for the 2019 spring sports.

**Motion:** Charlotte, Second: Phil. Motion passed unanimously.

Principal Moore discussed with the board her plans for an MTSS/Professional Development Coach for 2019-20. She will have more details after her meeting later this week.

Pursuant to General Statutes 143-318.11(a)(5) and 143-318.11(a)(6), a motion was made by Charlotte, seconded by Kent and passed unanimously, for the board to go into closed session. At 6:33 PM, the board entered closed session.

The board came out of closed session at 6:58 PM. **Motion:** Phil, Second: Charlotte.

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

A **motion** was made to accept the student action plan as discussed in closed session.

**Motion:** Charlotte, Second: Phil. Motion passed unanimously.


The next scheduled board meeting will be on March 11, 2019 at 6:00 PM in the Bear Grass Charter School media center.

**Adjournment:**

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

Delmas Cumbee, Chairman at 7:02 PM, adjourned the meeting.

Minutes submitted by:

  
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Pam Gibbs, Secretary

Approved by:

  
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Delmas Cumbee, Board Chairman