



Bear Grass Charter School Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes August 17, 2020

Opening:

The Bear Grass Charter School Board met on August 17, 2020 via Zoom. Delmas Cumbee, Board Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Present:

- Delmas Cumbee ● Frank Beck ● Kay Hester ● 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 July 16, 2020 meeting were approved.

Motion: Charlotte, Second: Phil. Motion passed.

Principal Moore started the meeting off with an update on the progress of the current school year. Sixth graders are still acclimating themselves to the new platforms and split screens in the technology world. Work sessions are being offered for any student who needs assistance. These sessions will be held on campus. Board member Beck provided an update from a parent's view. He stated that there were some struggles with maneuvering some of technology applications which was expected since this was a first-time experience for the student.

Special Recognition:

Ag Educator, Sarah Lawrence, has been selected as WITN's Teacher of the Week. She will be featured on WITN morning show August 26. HS English teacher, Charlie Moseley, was awarded a grant of 100 new books for her classroom.

Public Comment:

No updates or discussion took place.

Student Enrollment:

Student enrollment for the 2020-2021 academic year is 420 students.

Curriculum/Staff Development:

Staff development will be acquired virtually for the 2020-2021 academic year.

EC and Federal Programs Update:

VP Bonds updated the board on Title I monies. These will go towards the salary for the intervention specialist. The 6th graders came out for her Title I discussion and the forms have been returned.

Title II monies need to be utilized for teacher quality and professional development. Some of these monies were carried over from last year.

Title IV monies will be utilized for part of the MTSS salary. We can apply for this now that we are recognized as a Title I school.

IDEA EC (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act)—Grant funds are available due to COVID PRC-132. These funds will help transition some students into classrooms as well as provide supplies such as earbuds and dividers. BGCS has not been notified if these funds will be received.

Buildings and Grounds:

Jackie Harrison, maintenance supervisor, provided the board with an update on buildings and grounds. The end of the high school hall has been bricked. He stated that a light needed to be installed as well as doors. AC in the band room needs to be replaced or at least the compressor. The area in front of the gym has been retiled. The roof on the waste-water building is being replaced and vinyl siding is being added.

Technology:

IT Manager Tony Hale was able to sell the old Chromebooks to other schools.

Principal Moore reviewed several PRC Budget allotments from NCDPI.

PRC-163 New Server

PRC-124 Maintenance Protection & Computers

PRC-126 Watson & Robbins (Staff Computers)

PRC-128 Use for WIFI only

PRC-127 Bus Connectivity

Public Relations:

No updates or discussion took place.

Accountability (Academic):

Principal Moore discussed the Remote Learning Plan Website with the board. The website offers how-to videos for remote learning as well as a place for suggestions.

Student Services:

No updates or discussion took place.

Child Nutrition:

No updates or discussion took place.

Transportation:

No updates or discussion took place.

Athletics:

Fall Sports conditioning is currently taking place and will continue through September 17th. Further guidelines will be available November 4th from the NCHSAA.

Other Discussion:

Principal Moore reviewed the revised Grievance Policy with the board members. After a brief overview the revised policy was adopted as of August 17, 2020.

Motion: Charlotte, Second: Georgia. Motion passed.

Finance:

Brief discussion regarding the budget for the 2020-2021 academic year took place. Budget is normal for this time of the year. PRC-108 references the partial MTSS Salary for Meghan Goetz. This was received from a Student Support and Academic Enrichment grant.

Human Resources:

IT contract for Tony Hale needs to be signed by chairman and secretary for the 2020-2021 academic year.

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 and discipline issues. At 6:38 PM, the board entered closed session.

The board came out of closed session at 6:53 PM. **Motion:** Charlotte, Second: Phil.

No discussions took place that required motions.

The next scheduled board meeting will be on September 21, 2020 at 6:00 PM. Platform will be determined at a later date.

Adjournment:

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

The meeting was adjourned by Delmas Cumbee, Chairman at 6:56 PM.

Minutes submitted by:



Pam Gibbs, Secretary

Approved by:



Delmas Cumbee, Board Chairman