



Bear Grass Charter School Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes

November 22, 2021

Opening:

The Bear Grass Charter School Board met on November 22, 2021, in the BGCS media center. Delmas Cumbee, Board Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

Present:

● Delmas Cumbee ● Frank Beek ● Phil Hodges ● Constance Cumbee
● Pam Gibbs ● Charlotte Griffin ● Georgia Smallwood

Guests:

● Donna Moore – Bear Grass Charter School Principal
● Mary Beth Bonds, Bear Grass Charter School Assistant Principal

The minutes from the October 18, 2021, meeting were approved.

Motion: Charlotte, Second: Georgia. Motion passed.

Special Recognition:

The following students were recognized for the Character Ed trait of Citizenship.

Middle School: student will be recognized at January board meeting

High School: Omari Brown—10th grade

Public Comment:

Several parents attended the board meeting to voice their concerns over a bus incident as well as bullying at school. One parent spoke on the need to update the tennis courts due to safety concerns.

Student Enrollment:

The 2022-2023 BGCS Application has been uploaded and approved in Epicenter. This will be posted in January 2022.

Curriculum/Staff Development:

Some face-to-face staff development is occurring for the 2021-2022 academic year.

Jack Beirmes and Principal Moore have been in contact with Roger Kennedy on additional STEM Labs. She will have that information at the January board meeting. These new labs would start in August 2022.

EC and Federal Programs Update:

VP Bonds updated the board on Federal Programs. She provided a detailed handout of ESSER Funding.

A Cross-Program Monitoring Review Audit has been completed. Two areas were marked as findings and will have to be corrected by December 29, 2021. One area was to provide parental documents in a second language and the other area was documenting meetings/agendas to aid in tracking the Equity Plan.

On October 28, 2021, the LEA Self-Assessment was submitted.

December 1st, EC headcount is due. She will report to us in January.

BT Peer review was submitted on October 20, 2021.

Buildings and Grounds:

Jackie Harrison, maintenance supervisor, provided the board with an update on buildings and grounds. He had acquired a quote for the tennis courts. This quote included three courts.

Bus wreck required side mirror and windshield replacement. The bleachers and water bottle fillers have arrived finally.

Technology:

Cameras have been received for the rest of the buses. These will be installed as soon as possible.

Public Relations:

No updates or discussion took place.

Accountability (Academic):

EOC testing will take place the end of December for the first semester. ACT Prep Course is taking place as testing will be held March 1st, 2022.

The Teacher Working Conditions survey will take place at the December 6th staff meeting.

Student Services:

VP Bonds discussed a couple of overnight trips with the board. Mrs. Lawrence will take eight students next week to Raleigh for Livestock Judging. The annual Scuba Club trip March 9-15, 2022, in Florida. Skills USA Conference in Greensboro April 27-29. The Europe trip is back on for May 31 timeframe. Prom will be March 25 tentatively.

Child Nutrition:

No updates or discussion took place.

Transportation:

No updates or discussion took place.

Athletics:

A couple of coaching contracts were discussed. Frank Beck and Jerry Rogerson for Middle School Boys Basketball and Nick Cumbee and Adam Harrison for Varsity Boys Basketball. Candy Waterfield as First Responder. Shana Gregory for Middle School Girls Basketball and Softball.

A **motion** was made to accept coaching recommendations as discussed.

Motion: Phil, Second: Charlotte. Motion passed.

Other Discussion:

COVID Update—Principal Moore informed the board of two students that are currently out awaiting COVID results.

Masks will be discussed at the January/February board meeting due to holiday gatherings.

The board members were invited to the December 17 Christmas Lunch for staff.

Principal Moore discussed Wright Flight. This program is considered a STEM Curriculum for 6th graders. The students must maintain a certain letter grade to participate in the program. If the student adheres to the curriculum the reward will be an option to fly in a plane.

Finance:

Brief discussion regarding the budget for the 2021-2022 academic year took place.

Financial Audit for 2020-2021 was a clean opinion.

Human Resources:

Health/PE vacancy has been posted on the school website.

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 6:43 PM, the board entered closed session.

The board came out of closed session at 7:24 PM. **Motion:** Phil, Second: Georgia.

The following motions were required after the board came out of closed session.

A **motion** to approve consensus of the board regarding the student incident.

Motion: Charlotte, Second: Phil. Motion passed.

A **motion** to approve new hire contracts as discussed.

Motion: Phil, Second: Constance. Motion passed.

The next scheduled board meeting will be on January 10, 2022, at 6:00 PM.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn: Delmas, Second: Charlotte. 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