



Bear Grass Charter School Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes
October 26, 2020

Opening:

The Bear Grass Charter School Board met on October 26, 2020 at the BGCs media center. 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 ● Constance Cumbee

Guests:

- Donna Moore – Bear Grass Charter School Principal
- Mary Beth Jackson, Bear Grass Charter School Assistant Principal

The minutes from the September 21, 2020 meeting were approved.

Motion: Phil, Second: Frank. Motion passed.

***** Agenda Amended *****

Other Discussion Item: Initial Renewal Process for 2022 BGCs Charter

Motion: Phil, Second: Frank. Motion passed.

Athletics: Health & Safety NCHSAA Regulations Discussion

Motion: Phil, Second: Constance. Motion passed.

Special Recognition:

Sarah Lawrence, AgEd teacher, and a couple of FFA members gave a presentation on the accomplishments of the FFA year to date. The club currently has 86 members and plan to increase with the spring semester.

Public Comment:

No updates or discussion took place.

Student Enrollment:

A discussion took place on student enrollment capacity. At this current time, total enrollment will be kept at 420 students. Advertisement for the 2021-2022 BGCS application will be for sixty sixth grade students.

Curriculum/Staff Development:

Staff development will be acquired virtually for the 2020-2021 academic year. Staff member Prettyman is working with staff members that need CPE's for this year.

EC and Federal Programs Update:

VP Bonds updated the board on the EC and Federal Programs, The LEA self-assessment was submitted on October 22, 2020. This assessment focuses on MTSS and EC students. Prior to COVID, reading screening was set at 5%. This has been adjusted to 2.5%.

Buildings and Grounds:

Jackie Harrison, maintenance supervisor, provided the board with an update on buildings and grounds. Water and electric have been installed in the off-site Ag barn. A new AC/heating unit has been installed in the main office. Lights in the gym have been changed over to LED since the sound panels were added.

Technology:

IT Manager Tony Hale, Principal Moore and Finance Officer Vaughan are working on expenditures for the Coronavirus Relief Fund funds. If the monies are not spent by December 31, 2020 the monies will go back to NCDPI.

Public Relations:

No updates or discussion took place.

Accountability (Academic):

Principal Moore provided the board with a handout of the first six weeks failing grades. She instructed the board members to place this handout in a secure location due to the information detailed on the handout. Contact has been made with these parents and request made to have the students come to campus for instruction.

A brief review of the Summer Program for May/June 2021 took place. The program is basically the same from the previous year.

A motion was made to accept the Summer Program Plan for May/June 2021.

Motion: Charlotte, Second: Kay. Motion passed.

Student Services:

No updates or discussion took place.

Child Nutrition:

No updates or discussion took place.

Transportation:

VP Bonds informed the board that house stops will be made due to limited numbers of in person students on campus starting October 27, 2020.

Athletics:

AD Perry addressed the board regarding fall athletics. He felt that students needed to engage in sports rather than being inactive at home. Sports for the fall will include volleyball, cross country, and cheerleading. The number of games will be limited for the season. A handout from the NCHSAA was provided for the board concerning health and safety regulations for all aspects of the sports from facilities to spectators. A coaches meeting will be held tonight to discuss these regulations. Board Member Beck had a brief discussion with the board about a COVID cleaning company that had presented him with a proposal if their services were ever required.

Other Discussion:

The board term for Board Member Gibbs was extended for another term.

A motion was made to extend the term for Gibbs for another term.

Motion: Charlotte, Second: Frank. Motion passed.

A handout was available for the board regarding how to communicate with all parties involved if a case of COVID19 is identified on campus.

Principal Moore provided notebooks for each board member on the renewal process for the 2022 BGCS Charter. These notebooks will be reviewed at each board meeting.

Finance:

Brief discussion regarding the budget for the 2020-2021 academic year took place.

Pursuant to General Statutes 143-318.11(a)(5) and 143-318.11(a)(6), a motion was made by Frank, seconded by Constance, and passed unanimously, for the board to go into closed session to discuss human resources. At 7:09 PM, the board entered closed session.

The board came out of closed session at 7:44PM. **Motion:** Phil, Second: Charlotte.

No motions were required after the board came out of closed session.

The next scheduled board meeting will be on November 16, 2020 at 6:00 PM.

Adjournment:

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

The meeting was adjourned by Delmas Cumbee, Chairman at 7:46 PM.

Minutes submitted by:

Pam Gibbs

Pam Gibbs, Secretary

Approved by:



Delmas Cumbee, Board Chairman