

Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MEETING MINUTES

NOVEMBER 12, 2015

A meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on November 11, 2015 beginning at 12:00 p.m., in the Board Room of the Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School.

Board members present:

Mrs. Doris Adams
Mrs. Deborah Blalock
Mr. Russell Hart
Mr. Robert Collar
Dr. Earle Bennett

Mr. Stewart Cooner
Mr. Tom Hamilton
Mr. Bryan England
Mrs. Marilyn Edwards-Taylor

Staff members present:

Mr. Pat Smith
Sgt. Maj. Miller
Mrs. Shannan Woovis
Mr. Scott Poovey
Mrs. Melissa Thurstin

Mrs. Sheryl Beeler
Mr. Scott Gaines
Mr. Charlie Abbott
Mr. Wayne Harrington

The meeting was called to order at 12:45 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Cooner made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. England seconded the motion. The motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. England made a motion to approve the minutes from August 12, 2015. Dr. Bennett seconded the motion. The motion passed.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Smith reported on the following:

- Updated enrollment of October 26th class at 135 cadets.
- Total enrollment for year, thus far, is 284 students.
- Legislative Luncheon on February 24th, 2016.
- 56 GED's for 16-01 class, with 2 more sessions this year. On track to meet goal of 100 for the 6th consecutive year.
- School Report Card reflects Palmetto Gold School for 9th consecutive year.
- Commented on advertisement in Administrator Magazine and presentations given since August meeting.
- Announced invitation to the JROTC Luncheon on November 24th at Brookland Baptist Convention Center.

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PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Mr. England read the current Personnel Actions update. Mr. England made a motion to approve the personnel actions and Mr. Cooner seconded the motion. The motion passed.

POLICY COMMITTEE

Nothing to report.

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Mrs. Thurstin updated board members of current budget report as well as the budget request for July 1, 2016, which includes money for renovations in the dorm bathrooms and two full-time positions.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Four cadets joined the meeting to introduce themselves and explain their reasons for attending Wil Lou Gray. Mr. Wayne Harrington, a Residential Supervisor, introduced Cadet Luis Cintron of Central, SC, Cadet Polly Davis of Chesnee, SC, Cadet Ta'Sheema Counts of Irmo, SC and Cadet Rodney Haigler of St. Matthews, SC. Each cadet spoke of their experience at Wil Lou Gray and answered questions from the members.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Mr. Charlie Abbott discussed the paving project and the process of getting bids. In addition, he updated us on the lights that will be installed behind the academic building, which will hopefully take place by Christmas.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Hart asked that the Foundation purchase flowers for the funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Thrailkill.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Dr. Bennett to conclude the meeting. Mrs. Adams seconded the motion. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m.