

Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 8, 2018

The board convened at 10:30am to participate in the mandatory board training as required by section 59-51-35. The training was led by Mr. Charles Boykin of Boykin and Davis, LLC. Members present:

Mrs. Doris Adams	Ms. Angela Hanyak
Mr. Tom Hamilton	Mr. Bobby Collar
Mr. Russell Hart	Dr. Earle Bennett
Mr. Bryan England	Mr. Michael Moss
Mrs. Marilyn Edwards-Taylor	Mr. Stewart Cooner

A meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on August 8, 2018 beginning at 12:00 p.m., in the Board Room of the Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School.

Board members present:

Mrs. Doris Adams	Ms. Angela Hanyak
Mr. Tom Hamilton	Mr. Bobby Collar
Mr. Russell Hart	Dr. Earle Bennett
Mr. Bryan England	Mr. Michael Moss
Mrs. Marilyn Edwards-Taylor	Mr. Stewart Cooner

Staff members present:

Mr. Pat Smith	Mrs. Brent Arant
Mrs. Shannan Woovis	Mr. Sarah Russell
Mr. Charlie Abbott	Mr. Gary Newsome
Mr. Scott Gaines	Captain Hamlin
Ms. Diane McNinch	Mrs. Lettice Glenn
Mrs. Melissa Thurstin	Ms. Stephanie Morton
Ms. Theresa Trowell	Ms. Catrina Graham
Ms. Lisa Halter	Mr. Greg Feedback

The meeting was called to order at 12:32 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Dr. Bennett made a motion to approve the agenda and Mr. Cooner seconded the motion. The motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Hanyak made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 9, 2018 meeting and Mr. Cooner seconded the motion. The motion passed.

APPROVAL OF ABSENCE

Mr. Cooner made a motion to excuse the absence of Mr. Reggie Thomas and Mrs. Deborah Blalock. Ms. Angela Hanyak seconded the motion. The motion passed.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Smith reported on the following:

- We enrolled 116 students on July 23, 2018.

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- Our 2017-2018 academic year ended with 194 GEDs, which is the second highest in the school's history.
 - The \$500,000 supplemental appropriation for campus improvements was included in our final budget, and is listed as the 2nd item in the supplemental bill.
 - Our FY'17 Audit will begin on September 10 by the state auditor's office.
 - On July 31, we had 5 members of the Greenville County District's drop-out staff tour the school.
 - Ms. Purvis and I interviewed on WAAW 94.7 gospel radio on July 12.
 - Our WLGS softball team will begin its season on August 9 at the Lexington County Recreation League.
 - Charlie Abbott completed CPM training and Scott Poovey just enrolled.
 - Theresa Trowell enrolled in the Human Resources Professional Development program.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

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

POLICY COMMITTEE

Mr. Collar made a motion to amend board policies BB, BBB, BBBA, BD, BDB, BEDF and BIA/BIB in the first reading. Ms. Angela Hanyak seconded the motion and the motion passed.

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Mrs. Thurstin gave an update on the budget report included in member's packets. The board approved the FY18 year-end budget report. The board also approved the FY19 budget allocation and the board concurred with the FY20 budget request. A motion was made by Mr. Cooner to approve all three reports and Ms. Hanyak seconded the motion. The motion passed.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Mr. Scott Gaines introduced the members of the IEP team at Wil Lou Gray. Ms. Catrina Graham is the Special Education Coordinator, Mr. Greg Feeback is our Licensed School Psychologist and Ms. Lisa Halter is our Special Education Teacher. Mr. Scott Gaines gave an overview of the new JAG program that we have been chosen to pilot on our campus. He also remarked on a new teacher we have on campus to assist with our returning students, Ms. Karen Murrero. As our partnership continues with Lexington 2, Mr. Gaines explained the benefits our students gain from such an amazing list of services.

A video of our recent graduation ceremony was show. This video will be used as a promotional tool for our marketing strategy and interview process.

Mrs. Sarah Russell, Admissions Coordinator, gave an overview of our enrollment process and hurdles faced on a yearly basis. To combat this problem, her department has found a solution of the interview no-shows by using an APP to replace on-site interviews. The cost is \$1,999. Mr. Hamilton remarked on a free transportation service provided by Chesterfield County that may help in this situation. Mr. Cooner congratulated Mrs. Russell on exploring additional ways to assist in our student enrollment.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Mr. Abbott remarked on the campus improvements and a slide-show was shown on the before and after pictures of the bathrooms in the dorms. The Annual Permanent Improvement Plan was provided to all board members and Ms. Hanyak made a motion to approve the plan. Dr. Bennett seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Mr. Hamilton commented on utilizing solar panels on some of our buildings and grants that may assist in the funding.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

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NEW BUSINESS

None.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Ms. England to conclude the meeting. Mrs. Edwards-Taylor seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 1:19pm.