

Greer Middle College Charter High School
May 12, 2011
Board Meeting Minutes

Present: Carol McDonald, Julie Styles, Mark Sears, Jeff Bullock, Joel Welch, Tami Jacques, Tracy Burkhalter

Absent: Kelly Long, David Dolge, Ted Hoffman, Sherri Merck

Meeting was called to order at 5:35 PM.

Motion was made to approve the Agenda by Julie Styles, 2nd by Joel Welch.
Passed.

Motion was made to approve March Meeting minutes by Julie Styles, 2nd by Jeff Bullock.
Passed.

Principal's Report: Bill Roach:

Spring grades are in, 77% of our student made A's and B's, 93% made mastery, which is a C or better. There were 106 kids taking 250 college classes.

End of Course testing takes place next week on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. These tests are 20% of their final grade. Testing will be every morning and the students will follow a regular schedule for the afternoon.

Final Exams begin in two weeks Monday through Thursday. This will be the last week of school, and will only be half days with 12:30 PM dismissal. Friday, May 27th will be our final snow day and will be used for any student needing to make up final exams.

Summer school PDF will be emailed to parents May 13. If parents opt for Greenville County classes- where the student actually goes to a classroom with a teacher, the cost is \$200, but if they opt for the virtual class, there is no charge.

Development Report: Melanie Bargar:

We finished the year with 280 students, 102 Freshmen, 104 Sophomores and 74 Juniors. Current enrollment for 2011-2012 year is 385, but the goal is 400. The breakdown of next year's enrollment is 205 combined 9th and 10th, 104 Juniors, 76 Seniors. I am currently working through the waiting list to increase those numbers.

Bill and I presented at the Greenville East Rotary Club in May, and GMC has been in print media a lot recently. The Greer Citizen has been especially willing to publish our releases.

Harvest Hope article was in the Greer Citizen today. Our students donated 839 pounds of food and gave \$833 dollars to support this local food bank.

Three students graduated from the one year Junior Leadership Greer program.

We were represented in and our students volunteered in the following events in the last month: Greer Family Fest, Reedy River Ducky Derby and Alabama Tornado Relief.

Fall for GMC is scheduled for August 13. We need additional business sponsors, please reference the information sheet to contact and request more sponsors.

Old Business:

Facilities Report: Keith Jones

Asphalt is being replaced today. The Greenville County School District replaced a toilet and corrected one electrical issue and repaired a plumbing issue with the eyewash drain in the science lab and completed pressure testing of the lines.

Phase III electrical plan for next year is in place, and we are working on conduit for IT. Have already received a verbal quotes for fire and electrical work. Plumbing in the Administration building is fixed,

Inspection should take place next week and be out of the way before we start working on the six new portables for next year.

Finance Report: Skip Snow

Skip presented a motion from the Finance Committee that the Board accept the proposed budget for school year 2011-2012.

Passed.

Policy Committee: Bill Roach

Bill presented a motion from the Policy Committee to accept the establishment and yearly re-evaluation of a High School Reading List.

The Philosophy Sheet is being added to the minutes

Passed.

Mention by Mark Sears, of Charter High School Bill H324, please support and call your local representative.

Induction of New Board Members.

Motion was made to go into Executive session by Joel Welch at 6:25 PM, 2nd by Julie Styles.

Motion was made to come out of Executive session by Tracy Burkhalter at 6:52 PM, 2nd by Jeff Bullock.

Motion was made by Julie Styles and 2nd by Tami Jacques to renew and increase the line of credit with GTCCHS under existing terms and agreement for a period of one year.

Passed.

Motion was made by Jeff Bullock, 2nd by Joel Welch to request to establish a new line of credit with Brashier Middle College under the same terms and conditions of the line of credit with GTCCHS.

Passed.

Motion was made to adjourn by Carol McDonald at 7 PM, 2nd by Tami Jacques.

Meeting adjourned at 7 PM.

Approved Policy Document

Philosophy Behind the Development and Implementation of a High School Reading List for Greer Middle College Charter High School

1. Books selected for the reading list are age and content appropriate for high school students and are approved by the GMC Board. The list reflects a diversity of topics as well as providing for a range of student maturity.
2. Books selected for English III and English IV meet the SC ELA standard requirement for American and British literature.
3. Teachers are not limited to teaching selections listed on the GMC reading list; however, they may not select a book from a grade level list other than the grade level of the class they are teaching.
4. Should a classroom teacher choose to teach a text not listed on the reading list for the class, it is recommended that he/she follow these steps:
 - a. Check other grade level reading lists and avoid texts listed for other grade levels.
 - b. Consider the literary merit of the text. Is it educationally appropriate for students? The teacher should read the entire text, investigate professional literary reviews of the text, and discuss the addition with the English department chair and then the principal.
5. The reading list is not a static document. Each year the list will come under review by the GMC Board policy committee and the GMC English department. This meeting will take place each year by the beginning of March. Obsolete texts will be deleted and new texts added. Changes to the document will take effect the following school year.