

Greer Middle College Charter High School Meeting of the Board of Directors Minutes

for

Thursday, October 13, 2011
Greenville Technical College - Greer Campus

In attendance: Jerry Denman, Ted Hoffman, Colton Keasler, Carol McDonald, Mark Sears, Joel Welch
Absent: Benjamin Buck, Mary Beth Culbertson, Vernon Rutland, Mark Thornburgh, Julie Styles

1. Call to Order – Time: 6:06 pm
2. Approval of Agenda
 - Approval of Agenda
 - Motion to adopt Agenda: Joel Welch
 - Second: Jerry Denman
3. Financial Auditor Presentation
 - Rick Frans presented a brief overview of the annual audit – Presentation was for Information only
4. Public Comments – No one signed up to address the board
5. Approval of September Board of Directors Meeting minutes
 - Approval of Minutes - Motion to approve Minutes as written: Carol McDonald
 - Second: Jerry Denman
6. Ted Hoffman - In an effort to keep the board meeting moving along we are considering having all committee reports and other standing reports sent to Mark Sears and Carol McDonald no less than two days prior to the regular scheduled board meetings. Let's plan to do this for the November board meeting. This will include the Policy Committee, Facilities Committee, Principal, Director of Development and any other committees listed on the agenda for that month.
7. Principal's Report - Mr. William Roach
 1. GMC won the chicken dance competition, which should help get our name out in the community.
 2. We cleaned up the area around the outskirts of the portables and will continue to clean that area up.
 3. The cleaning company is doing a wonderful job and it has been a nice addition.
 4. Ramps have been built on B12 and B13 to accommodate any of our students that have trouble walking up steps.
 5. GTCHS are scheduled to come and inspect the White portables that belong to them. According to Charles Cox, the inspector, their board has been discussing the possibility of giving them to us or selling them to us at a discounted price.
 6. I have joined the Downtown Greer Rotary Club. If you would ever like to attend let me know and you can be my guest.

7. Report cards go out tomorrow during the SLCs.
8. We were well represented by our students at the Greater Greer Education Foundation's Gala. They were the ushers and did a wonderful job.
9. Mrs. Sudduth has met with all seniors and has started meeting with juniors to talk about their grades, colleges, plans, scholarships, etc.
10. Students are beginning to register for their college classes for next semester. Ms. Smith, Mrs. Bargar, and Mrs. Sudduth have been assisting students as they prepare those classes.
11. BETA club induction ceremony will be this Sunday at Praise Cathedral from 2-4 in the youth building.
12. National Honor Society issues have been resolved. They had a meeting with all students this week to ensure that all paperwork was correctly filled out. We felt like this was necessary with it being our first time with NHS. The NHS induction ceremony will be November 3rd at Praise Cathedral.
13. Have been in conversations with Alex Martin from The School District of Greenville County about the timeline for our Charter renewal. Once he has provided that timeline I will provide that to the Board.

8. Development Report – Melanie Bargar

1. We have 372 Students enrolled as of today
 - i. Freshman – 108
 - ii. Sophomore – 101
 - iii. Juniors – 91
 - iv. Seniors – 72
2. Graduation is May 22 at Fairview Baptist Church at 6:00 pm.
3. We have 13 Freshman that will be taking college classes in the spring
4. GMC Preview night is scheduled for November 14, 6:30 pm at Praise Cathedral's Student Center, 3390 Brushy Creek Rd, Greer, SC
5. There were a few minor changes made to the school's crest. A print passed to the board for viewing. These were cosmetic changes to make the crest more symmetrical.
6. There is a write up on the school in the Greer Citizen that was release this past week
7. Our students are volunteering throughout the community including Greer Education Foundation Gala, Greer Octoberfest, Spinx Run fest and many others. They are way ahead of where they were last year with their volunteer hours
8. We have a fundraiser, Car Show scheduled for March 17, 12 – 4 pm, here on the Greenville Tech Greer campus. It will be a classic car show. Concessions will be on sale.

9. Old Business

Facilities Report

1. 2 Ramps were installed on B12 and B13
2. The deck is an ongoing issue. Boards are being replaced as needed
3. A campus workday for this Saturday (10/15) is being postponed. The plan was to apply non-slip coatings to the decking but with the rain we have had it was felt best to wait until the wood has a chance to dry properly
4. New paint is scheduled for the Science Lab and Restroom portables
5. All heaters have been checked except for #24 and 25
6. We are having an issue with lighting. Keith has replaced approximately 60 bulbs and 25 to 30 ballasts. This will be ongoing until we get them all working properly

7. The large portables have issues with leaks. The calking has deteriorated to the point the seal is no longer working. We are working to get that repaired
8. Two of the portables (was not sure but thought is #25 and #29) need new roofs. This was noted before the school district delivered them and they said they would put them on. Keith is requesting a plan of action or dates as to when they will put them on. Nothing has been scheduled yet.
9. Two items needed to be completed before we can close the permit. The silt fence has been removed already and the other thing was we need to plant approximately 25 trees. The trees are being taken care of by one of our parents for their volunteer hours. The parent owns a landscaping business and will provide the trees and plant them both. This will be a great saving to the school.

Financial Report – Skip Snow

The 1st quarter financial statements were distributed to the board
Report was for Information Only

Policy Committee Update – Jerry Denman

1. The committee has recruited and added two new members. At the request of the Executive Committee, these members are not parents to give the committee a broader perspective. (Benjamin Buck (current board member) and David Dolge (Past Board Chairman and past Policy Committee Chairman)).
2. The committee is reviewing issues that have been presented. They are reviewing how these things are handles at other charter schools around the state.

Fine Arts Center Fee – Ted Hoffman

1. The official document has been signed by Greer Middle College, Greenville Tech Charter High and Brasher Middle College Charter High
2. The agreement states the fees being charged to the three schools by the School District of Greenville County for students attending the Fine Arts Center
3. We have six students that are attending the Fine Arts Center

Greenville Tech Memorandum of Agreement – Ted Hoffman

1. The official document has been signed by Greer Middle College, Greenville Tech Charter High and Brasher Middle College Charter High
2. The agreement lays out the ground work for college classes being held in our facilities
3. there was discussion on the specifics of the document content

10. New Business

Board Calendar Events – Ted Hoffman

Up coming events

1. October 12th was the 45th day of school – discussion on the significance of this date
2. November 14 - GMC Preview night

11. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn: Joel Welch

Second: Jerry Denman

Time – 7:22 pm