



GREER MIDDLE COLLEGE
CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL
HOME OF THE BLAZERS

Board of Directors Minutes
Monday, August 31, 2015
Greer Middle College Café (Bldg. B-7)

Board in attendance: Vernon Rutland (Chair), Pauline Sternick (Secretary), Patty Baucom, Eddie Burch, Brian Dentler, Keith King, Tony Kouskolekas, Donna Smith, Ryan Summey
Absent: John Mansure (Vice-Chair), Darin Scheidly

AGENDA

1. Call to Order at 6:06 PM by Vernon Rutland
2. Approval of Agenda
Motion to approve agenda: Pauline Sternick
2nd: Tony Kouskolekas
Vote: Unanimous
3. Public Comments - none
4. Approval of July 20, 2015 Minutes
Motion to approve July 20 minutes: Tony Kouskolekas
2nd: Ryan Summey
Vote: Unanimous
5. Administrative and Committee Reports
 - a. Principal Report (Jimmy Armstrong)

Blazer Minute: GMC won the Cross Country State Championship in 2014-15. Coach David Smith will be inducted in the SC Association of Track and Cross Country Coaches Hall of Fame in September.

GMC is saving \$425 per month for internet after switching to ATT/Spirit. There are 200 students taking college courses for a total of 1089 credit hours.

- b. Development Report (Heather Wyss)

The coupon book fundraiser raised approximately \$5,000. Fall4GMC is on track for November 14. We have 3 sponsors so far. Coach Smith is managing the certified timing and we won't have to hire someone.

- c. Chairman Report (Vernon Rutland)
 - Executive Committee
 - ❖ Eddie Burch to serve as Assistant Treasurer
Motion to appoint Eddie Burch as Assistant Treasurer to act in Donna Smith's absence: Pauline Sternick
2nd: Patty Baucom
Vote: Unanimous

d. Facilities Report (Vernon Rutland)

- Facilities Committee Recommendations for board consideration:
 - ❖ Motion to pursue funding for and construction of the 450 model building design:
Ryan Summey
2nd: Patty Baucom
Vote: Unanimous
 - ❖ Motion to accept plan priority of Phase 1 Academic Building and Phase 2 Athletic/Cafeteria Complex to be run concurrently if funding allows: Keith King
2nd: Patty Baucom
Vote: Unanimous

e. Financial Report (Donna Smith)

- Financial Committee items to bring to the board:
 - ❖ Motion to begin interviewing process for financial advisor: Eddie Burch
2nd: Brian Dentler
Vote: Unanimous
The financial advisor will assess our financials, make recommendations on the best route to secure financing including JEDA Bonds, and walks us through the entire process. Financial Advisor incurs a one-time fee estimated to be about \$25,000. That fee will come out of the 233 Services Admin line item. The bond counsel has a one-time fee that is payable only upon closing of the bond issuance.
 - ❖ Motion to accept Reimbursement Resolution: Pauline Sternick
2nd : Patty Baucom
Vote: Unanimous
Action Item: Vernon Rutland and Pauline Sternick signed the Reimbursement Resolution and it is in board files.
 - ❖ Motion to authorize Finance Committee to make JEDA application based on approval of Financial Advisor and his/her direction: Eddie Burch
2nd: Brian Dentler
Vote: Unanimous
 - ❖ Motion to ratify Finance Committee members: Donna Smith, Treasurer, Eddie Burch, Asst. Treasurer, Keith King, Pauline Sternick, Todd Corey and Paul Barnard: Ryan Summey
2nd: Vernon Rutland
Vote: Unanimous

f. Policy/Governance Report

- Conflict of Interest, Enrollment Lottery, Global Limitations policies will have a final reading and vote in September after Darin returns.
- Principal Evaluation Format – tabled until September

6. Old Business
 - a. Committee Assignments and Ratification of Existing Committees
Motion to ratify existing committees: Pauline Sternick
2nd: Vernon Rutland
Vote: Unanimous
 - b. Update on Fall Legislative Reception with Greenville Tech Charter High and Brashier Middle College – email from Dr. Bob Nash November 9. GMC will participate along with GTCHS and BMC.
Action Item: Mr. Armstrong will let Dr. Nash know we are ready to participate.
7. New Business
 - a. JEDA Bond Funding – Ms. Kathy McKinney couldn't make it to the meeting. See the Executive Committee Minutes for more information.
 - b. 2015-16 Strategic Planning – 9/28 Board meeting
Dinner 5:00-6:30; Strategic Planning 6:30-8:30 PM
 - c. Darin Scheidly is out of town for a couple of months for his new job and has requested an excused absence until September meeting.
 - d. Board member registration: Public Charter School Alliance of SC Annual Conference in Columbia on November 16-18, 2015
Action Item: Board members will let Pauline know asap if they would like to be registered for the Conference and if they need a hotel reservation.
8. Executive Session
Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a legal and contractual matter: Vernon Rutland
2nd: Eddie Burch
Vote: Unanimous

Moved into Executive Session at 6:47 PM.
Motion to adjourn Executive Session: Vernon Rutland
2nd: Tony Kousekolekas
Vote: Unanimous
Returned from Executive Session at 6:52
9. Board Action - none
10. Adjourned at 6:55 PM.
Motion to adjourn: Tony Kouskolekas
2nd: Ryan Summey
Vote: Unanimous

Next meeting date: September 28, 2015

Professional Development: Public Charter School Alliance of SC Annual Conference 11/16-18/15

Upcoming GMC Events:

September 2 Parent Social 8:00 am

September 14 Grade 11/12 Parent Meeting @ Praise 6:00-7:30 PM

September 21 Grade 9/10 Parent Meeting @ Praise 6:00-7:30 PM

October 5 Beta Club Induction @ Praise 6:00 PM