



GREER MIDDLE COLLEGE
CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL
HOME OF THE BLAZERS

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
October 24, 2016

Board Members Present: Patty Baucom, Jeff Bullock, Eddie Burch, Brian Dentler, Tony Kouskolekas, John Short, Donna Smith, Pauline Sternick, Ryan Summey
Absent: John Mansure, Keith King

1. Call to Order at 6:02 PM by Eddie Burch.
2. Approval of Agenda
 - Motion to approve agenda: Donna Smith
2nd: Brian Dentler
Vote: Unanimous
3. Approval of September 26, 2016 Minutes
 - Motion to approve September 26, 2016 minutes: Patty Baucom
2nd: Ryan Summey
Vote: Unanimous
4. Public Comments - none
5. Administrative and Committee Reports
 - a. Principal Report and Blazer Minute (see below)

Jared Presley took the PSAT last year and was awarded the Commended Students Award and placed among the top 5% of 1.6 million students who took the PSAT in 2015. Mr. Armstrong presented a letter from the College Board to Jared recognizing his achievement.

Gage McGarity had the highest score of all GMC students on the ACT WorkKeys achieving the Platinum level. Mr. Armstrong presented a letter from Mollie Spearman, State Superintendent of Education, to Gage congratulating on his achievement.

- b. Development Report (see below)

Paul Callahan was hired as a part-time marketing assistant. Two more school tours are scheduled. Application period is open until November 4.

- c. Chairman Report (see below)
 - d. Facilities Report (see below)
 - e. Financial Report (see below)
 - Motion from Finance Committee to instruct accountant to break out construction project and report on those assets and costs separately from GMCCHS's operating expenses.
Vote: Unanimous

New reporting with construction project reported separately will begin in Nov. with October financials.

- Motion to accept September Financials: Jeff Bullock
2nd: Ryan Summey
Vote: Unanimous
- f. Policy/Governance Report
- Motion to adopt Gift Acceptance Policy: Pauline Sternick
2nd: Brian Dentler
Vote: Unanimous
 - Motion to adopt Naming Guidelines Policy: Pauline Sternick
2nd: Jeff Bullock
Vote: Unanimous
6. Executive Session to discuss contractual and legal matters
- Motion to move into Executive session to discuss contractual matters at 6:40 PM:
Ryan Summey
2nd: Tony Kouskolekas
Vote: Unanimous
 - Motion to exit Executive Session at 7:10 PM: Tony Kouskolekas
2nd: Donna Smith
Vote: Unanimous
- Board Event – October 25 School Raising Ceremony, Nov. 28 Upstate Legislative Dinner, 6:00-8:00 PM at Pelham Medical Center
7. Adjournment
- Motion to adjourn at 7:12 PM: Donna Smith
2nd: Ryan Summey
Vote: Unanimous

Next Board Meeting: November 14, 2016 @ 5:30 PM
Minutes as submitted October 24, 2016 pds

Principal Report

- GMC has not made requisition #4 to date. There has not been a request from Triangle.
- We had our second parent breakfast on October 5.
- We met with our sister GTC charter schools to plan for our November legislative meeting on September 29.
- COMPASS testing started on September 29 and ended on October 13.
- Underclassmen pictures took place on September 30.
- Beta Club induction occurred on October 3.
- A representative from SC Deferred Compensation met with our teachers and staff on October 7.

- Our juniors and seniors ordered their respective rings and senior supplies on October 7.
- Members of administration toured the new Greenville Tech CMI building near ICAR on October 11.
- GMC Teacher Cadet students, under the facilitation of Mrs. Rouse, were at Mauldin High School participating in the ITeach Teacher Cadet Conference on October 14.
- GMC inducted new National Honor Society members on October 17.
- On October 18, a small group of administration, teachers, and parents met with Langley and Associates to complete the process of interior finishes for the new building.
- As part of Mr. Stone's World Culture classes, students created projects related to the functions of a city. Community judges came to hear the group projects on October 17 and 18.
- All of our sophomore students and some juniors took the PSAT on October 19.
- On October 19, Board members and members of administration met with GCSA's Dr. Royster and Mr. Knotts related to GMC enrollment numbers.
- Our freshmen students received information related to sexual harassment and violence from the Julie Valentine Center the weeks of October 10 and October 17.
- Report cards were issued and student led conferences were held on October 20-21.
- Spirit Week started on October 21 and will go through October 28.

October 2016 Development Report

☒ We have 442 students enrolled at GMC.

9th -114

10th-116

11th-111

12-101

☒ Waitlist

Applications received for lottery: 168

9th -3

10th-0

11th-37

12th-13

☒ Open Enrollment and tours are going well. We have 168 application for our approximately 115 spots for the 2017-2018 school year. The lottery will take place on Monday, November 14th.

☒ We have hired a part time marketing assistant to help in the development office.

☒ The Steering committee had its second meeting on Monday October 12th. The committee completed training on asking for gifts. The next meeting will be on 10/31.

☒ A school raising ceremony is being planning for Tuesday, October 25th at 9am at GMC. Community leaders, parents, and legislators will be in attendance.

☒ Spirit week kick-off October 21st will all proceeds going toward the outdoor learning courtyard at GMC. Combined with the Trailer Park Trot our goal is to exceed \$30,000 for the new Outdoor Learning Courtyard.

☑ Spirit week had over \$11,500 in sponsor's dollars so far which exceeded last year's total of \$10,000 in sponsors.

☑ Based on the recommendations of the Winkler Group, we are also starting an annual fund at GMC. A letter to parents will go out at the beginning of December to encourage year end donations.

Chairman and Facilities Report

Attended October 4 construction meeting. Construction is currently ahead of schedule. Targeted to complete Finish Schedule by October 29. May be walled in by the New Year and completed in approximately 6 months with occupation by July 4 if weather holds and there are no other delays. Contract completion date is the end of August. October 25 is the school raising ceremony with parents, community, legislators, and board invited.

Met with Mr. Armstrong, Donna Smith, and Dr. Royster, GCSD Superintendent, on October 19 to discuss repercussions of requested enrollment increase to GCSD.

Finance Committee Report 10.24.2016

September highlights:

- Cash Balance: \$8.05M, including construction account of \$5.84M
- Monthly Expense exceeded Income (Loss) by \$205k
- Construction costs are included under the Facilities sections. The costs for the month were \$314k.

Revenue

- Base funding of \$240,606 is under budget by \$11,862. This is based on the FY16 135 day headcount. The district should update for the new WPU in January
- Special revenue of \$77k was received from the District in September. The remaining amount recognized in the month (\$34k) was deferred revenue from the prior year that will be spent in the current year.

Motion from Committee to instruct accountant to break out construction project and report on those assets and costs separately from GMCCHS's operating expenses.

Motion Made by Keith King

Second: Paul Barnard