



GREER MIDDLE COLLEGE
CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL
HOME OF THE BLAZERS

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
April 24, 2017

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

1. Call to Order at 5:35 PM by Eddie Burch.
2. Approval of Agenda
Motion to approve agenda: John Short
2nd: Keith King
Vote: unanimous
3. Approval of March 27, 2017 Minutes
Motion to approve minutes: John Short
2nd: Jeff Bullock
Vote: unanimous
4. Public Comments - none
5. Administrative and Committee Reports
 - a. Principal Report and Blazer Minute (see below)
 - Update on minimum required for Certificate of Occupancy – bid was received today and will be discussed in Facilities Committee.
 - Question on updating student photographs on website. The school website will be updated this summer with a new website designer.
 - b. Development Report (see below)
 - c. Chairman Report (see below)
 - Board Group Picture on website postponed until June swearing in ceremony.
 - d. Facilities Report (see below)
 - Motion from committee: to sell the 4 portables GMCCHS owns to GCSD for the cost of removal
2nd: Patty Baucom
Vote: Unanimous
 - Update on plan for water and sewer disconnects – parents are being recruited to complete this task.
 - e. Financial Report (see below)
First reading of FY18 Annual Operating Budget Draft

Action Item: Finance Committee will explore adding separate line items for Field Trip/Student Activities Revenue and Expense.

Motions from committee:

- Motion to accept March financials
2nd: Jeff Bullock
Vote: unanimous

- Motion to move 1 month CD with BBT that is earning 0.1% to a 90 day CD earning 0.68%.
2nd: John Mansure
Vote: unanimous
- Motion to approve installation of phone system in all classrooms and office spaces and an 18 camera security system for the building.
2nd: Ryan Summey
Vote: unanimous

f. Academic Excellence Report (none)

g. Policy/Governance Report

Motion from committee to accept charter revision to submit to PCSDSC.

2nd: John Mansure

Vote: unanimous

6. Upcoming Events:

May 8 Awards Ceremony @ 6:00 PM (Praise Cathedral)

May 18 Senior Project Presentations

May 26 Graduation @ 10:00 AM at Taylors First Baptist

7. Executive Session to discuss contractual, personnel, or legal matters/Board Action, if necessary

8. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 7:17 p.m.: Patty Baucom

2nd: Tony Kouskolekas

Vote: Unanimous

Next Board Meeting: May 22, 2017

Principal Report

- WorkKeys was administered online to all juniors on March 28 at no cost provided by the SCDOE.
- GMC admin. attended the SC Public Charter Alliance Leadership Summit on March 28.
- Student Led Conferences (SLCs) took place on March 30 and March 31.
- Our GMC service learning students, under the facilitation of Shelly Bishop, participated in the Multiple Sclerosis event at Furman. Those students raised \$1800 for the cause.
- GMC admin. and Brashier admin. met for a budget “session” on April 4.
- Our GMC student ambassadors, under the facilitation of Megan Schonhar and Paula Rouse, participated in the Middle College National Consortium Student Conference held in Houston, TX.
- GMC held a parent breakfast on April 5.
- GMC’s Raise the Blaze Campaign had an official kickoff of April 6.
- The Greater Greer Rotary Club honored our Top 10 students in each class with a ceremony on April 7.
- GMC completed requisition #10 on April 11 with BBT for construction costs.
- GCSD officials met with GMC staff and guidance to develop a system of purging and return of student folders to GCS by late June.
- A parent donated a 3D printer and that printer is now in operation in our art room as of April 12.
- GMC senior project students submitted their products on April 14.
- GMC admin. met with a current parent about the Alive at 25 Program and possible implementation for 17-18 school year on April 14.
- The Greer City Police K-9 Unit, in cooperation with Greenville Tech. Police, did a random search of our campus on April 14.
- GMC admin. and guidance participated in the SCPCSD operator’s meeting on April 18.
- Two GMC students have been accepted into the Governor’s School for Science and Math Accelerate Program (GSSM) as of April 20. This program will allow both students to take engineering pathway courses through GSSM while still attending GMC.
- State report surveys for teachers were completed by April 21.
- GMC students volunteered in the Special Olympics event held at Furman on April 21.
- The GMC Prom was held at Taylors Mill on April 21.
- GMC’s Mrs. Bishop, Ms. Earle, and Mr. Stone met with faculty and staff to review senior project portfolio grading on April 21.

April 2017 Development Report

- We have 429 students enrolled at GMC.
 - 9th- 112
 - 10th-112
 - 11th-108
 - 12th-97
- 2017/18 Waitlist
 - Freshmen Applications - 125
 - 10th-13
 - 11th-11
 - 12th-37
- The Raise the Blaze Campaign has 100% staff and steering committee participation with one board member pledge outstanding.
- The Steering Committee has \$128,165 committed in pledges to date with several large outstanding asks.
- Outstanding Grant Request for Raise the Blaze:
 - Greer State Bank
- The Steering Committee met 4/24/17. The final date to pledge to Raise the Blaze will be 5/19/2017.
- Raise the Blaze Public Kickoff took place April 6th at 9am in the foyer area of the new building. Thank you all that presented, helped organize, and attended.
- Senior Project Presentation will take place Thursday, May 18th beginning at 4pm. Please help us spread the word to any potential judges.
- Graduation will take place at Taylors First Baptist on May 26th at 10am.

Chairman's Report - April 2017

*March 29 - GMC campus tour and meeting w/potential donor

*April 6 - Raise the Blaze Kickoff

*April 20 - Finance Committee Meeting

*April 20 - Facilities Committee Meeting

*April 24 - GMC Steering Committee Meeting

No construction meetings held in April

Facilities Report

Submitted by: Vernon Rutland (Chairman)

Committee: Eddie Burch, Pauline Sternick, Ryan Summey, John Mansure, Tony K

- Attended "Raise the Blaze" on May 6th.
- Working with parent volunteers to arrange a time to come out and disconnect water and sewer lines from portables before they are moved. This is a cost savings for GMC of about \$2k.
- Attended committee conference call on 4/20/17. Discussion was on two different options in ref to the 4 portables owned by GMC:

Option 1: Put our portables out for bid. Buyer responsible for cost of moving

Pros: We possibly make a couple hundred dollars through bidding.

Cons: They don't sell and we add on the expense to have them removed at a cost of \$5k or they sell and don't get moved in time and hold up construction.

Option 2: Greenville county school district wants the 4 portables we own.

Pros: No cost of removal (saving us \$20k) and they are removed on time

Cons: no money made Bc we will give them to GCSD in exchange for moving cost.

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Financial Report

March Highlights:

- Cash Balance \$4.55 M, including Construction Account of \$2.4M.
- Monthly Income exceeds expense by \$103.095.

March Revenue:

- The following Special Funding was received in March:

Career & Technology Education Equipment (CATE) \$13,291.85

Title I – Perkins Aid \$13,027.52

Career/Tech – Work Based Learning \$3,398.03

- Aid to Districts Special Funding of \$5,674.51 was also received. We were originally notified (and had passed along to you) that these funds would not be distributed in the 2016/17 year, so this was unexpected good news.

- A refund of \$12,376.24 was received from the SC Department of Employment and Workforce.

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