



GREER MIDDLE COLLEGE CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL

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Board of Directors Minutes August 26, 2019

Members Present: Donna Smith, John Short, Pauline Nichol, Tony Kouskolekas, Rita Danner, Kimberly Hall, Darin Scheidly

Members Absent: John Mansure, Jamie Harvey, Nikki Crabtree, Hannah Mahaffey,

1. Donna Smith called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.
2. There were no public speakers to address the board.
3. Donna Smith presented the school's Mission Statement
4. The board reviewed the meeting agenda. John Short moved to approve the agenda. Kim Hall seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
5. The board reviewed and approved the Meeting Minutes from the June 25th, 2019 meeting. Minutes were approved without amendment.
6. Committee Reports
 - a. Development Committee - Heather Timanus presented the report:
 - i. The school presently has 485 students enrolled. The wait list has 309 students on it with a wait list for the 9th grade class of 171.
 - ii. The Activity Center Campaign have \$53K pledged with goal of \$80K.
 - iii. Parents-In-Partnership is going well. Alicia taken full-time position over lunch services.
 - iv. The Barbecue Fundraiser is November 16th at Grace Church Pelham Road.
 - b. Executive Director Report - Fred Crawford presented the report:
 - i. Mr. Crawford Introduced the school's other administrators: Jessica McCraw as Assistant Principal and Special Ed teacher; James Dillard as Assistant Principal.
 - ii. The Issues with the traffic pattern due to construction have been resolved and will continue to improve with the afterschool Smart Center and Writing Center under way.
 - iii. The Freshman Orientation worked well with some minor modifications need for next year. The Freshmen Retreat was also successful.
 - iv. The school executed the Memorandum of Understanding with Greenville Technical College for college courses.
 - v. Mr. Crawford has a meeting with the Greenville County Sheriff's Office is scheduled for later in the week to discuss the School Resource Officer position being funded by a grant.
 - vi. Greenville County Sheriff's Office SWAT team training is scheduled at the school on September 26th.

- vii. The school has received quotes for the furniture RFPs for furniture upgrades for the classrooms, common areas and new facility.
 - viii. Mr. Crawford attended a Greenville Tech Early College summit regarding GTC's engagement in dual credit. GTC has decided to waive additional lab fees and other fees for now.
 - ix. Mr. Crawford Participated in BB&T Leadership Institute with Dr. Miller. They have a program for K-12/Higher Ed leadership program where they waive their costs.
 - x. Mr. Gantt discussed the ADT Cyber-Security IQ network monitoring software application for the purpose of determining any network security issues.
 - xi. A personnel question was raised. John Short moved that the board enter in Executive Session. Kimberly Hall seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Board entered Executive Session at 5:57 p.m. and came out of session at 6:22 p.m. Donna Smith instructed Mr. Crawford to contact the board attorney, Nick Nicholson.
 - xii. Mr. Crawford attended the School Choice Roundtable with U.S. Department of Education Secretary Betsy DeVos, S.C. Education Superintendent Molly Spearman and Governor Henry McMaster. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss federal block grant for scholarships for special needs students.
- c. Executive Committee - Donna Smith presented the report:
- i. A board retreat is to be scheduled for planning and training later in the fall. Mr. Gantt was instructed to issue a survey about board member availability.
 - ii. Ms. Smith Issued committee assignments for each of the standing committees.
- d. Finance Committee - John Mansure's report was presented by Donna Smith:
- i. A committee meeting is scheduled August 30th to prepare for the upcoming external audit.
 - ii. The school currently has two years of cash on hand due to construction draw.
 - iii. The school's Statement of Revenue and Expenditures remain neutral. Darin Scheidly asked whether a reserve should be set up to address costs regarding cyber-security incident. The issue will be addressed at August 30th Finance Committee conference call.
- e. Facilities Committee - John Short presented the report:
- i. Ground breaking for the Activity Center has occurred. The contractor hopes to pour footers by September 3rd and remains confident of the March 1st completion deadline. The Greenville County Planning Committee slowed the construction process down for almost four months. Apparently, this is a county-wide issue. No other construction issues are pending at this time.
 - ii. The school received a large donation of fitness equipment from Planet Fitness, and the equipment is stored on premises. The equipment is worth at least \$10k to \$20k.
 - iii. Mr. Crawford indicated that the school has requested from GTC additional green space for PE and athletics. The school will also have access to the new GTC amphitheater upon special request.
 - iv. The new school bus will have a wrapping applied to it in the near future.
- f. Policy & Governance Committee - No report was presented.
- g. Academic Excellence Committee - No report was presented. A committee meeting is scheduled for September 18th.
- h. Personnel Committee - No report was presented.

7. John Short moved to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.
8. Next meeting is September 23, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.