

Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 7, 2007

A meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on February 7, 2007 beginning at 6:00 p.m., in the Board Room of the Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School.

Board members present:

Dr. Earle Bennett
Mr. Stewart Cooner
Mr. George Ducworth
Mr. Bryan England
Mr. Russell Hart
Ms. Wilhelmina McBride

Mrs. Frankie Newman
Mr. Vince Rhodes
Mr. Carlisle Roddey
Mrs. Elizabeth Thrailkill
Ms. Marilyn Edwards Taylor
Mr. Wayne Sims

Staff members present:

Mr. Pat Smith
Col. Joseph Davis
Ms. Sheryl Lorick
Mr. Charlie Abbott

Mrs. Gloria Robinson
Mrs. Lesley Stone
Mrs. Gloria Woodward
Mr. Scott Gaines

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Ducworth made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Sims seconded the motion. The motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. England made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2006 Board meeting. Mr. Roddey seconded the motion. The motion passed.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Smith reported on the following:

- To date there are 139 students enrolled
- The school won the Palmetto Gold Award for the second consecutive year and was awarded \$4227.00 for this accomplishment.
- The Color Guard from Cycle 17 was asked to Post Colors at the first annual Mayer's Prayer Breakfast hosted by the West Metro Chamber of Commerce on January 17.
- The students from Cycle 17's JROTC unit won the Best JROTC Award at the West Metro Christmas Parade.
- The School's budget presentation to the House Ways and Means Sub-Committee meeting was held on January 23.
- The South Carolina State Human Affairs Commission's annual EEO report rated the School's Level of Goal Attainment for 2006 at 98.9. There were only three other agencies in the state with a higher rating.
- HVAC renovations are nearly complete in the Classroom Building and work has begun in the F Dorm and Auditorium.
- The School received historical photos from the Forestry Commission of Dr. Gray from the 1963 Arbor Day celebration at the Opportunity School.
- A letter from Mary Williams of Lexington was sent to the School thanking the Cadets of Cycle 17 for the outstanding community service work they did cleaning up the trash on Hope Ferry Road.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Mrs. Newman made a motion to approve the Personnel Actions. Mr. Rhodes seconded the motion. The motion passed.

POLICY COMMITTEE

Nothing to report.

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Mr. Smith presented the budget summary.

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PROGRAM COMMITTEE

A video prepared by Mrs. Peggy Williamson of the cadets from Cycle 17 participating in the West Metro Christmas Parade and activities of the cadets currently enrolled in Cycle 18 was presented to the Board. Mrs. Stone gave an update on the progress and success of the WIA (Workforce Investment Act) program.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Mr. Smith gave an update on the HVAC renovations.

OLD BUSINESS

Dr. Bennett presented the recommendations made by the Ad Hoc Committee for the Wil Lou Gray Award to the Board.

Mr. Ducworth made a motion to adopt the Ad Hoc Committee's recommendations. Mr. Roddey seconded the motion. The motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

Mr. Rhodes made a motion to go into Executive Session. Mrs. Thrailkill seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Mr. Sims made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Mr. England seconded the motion. The motion passed.

With no further business to discuss a motion was made by Mr. Roddey to adjourn. Mr. Ducworth seconded the motion. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday May 9, 2007 beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room located at the Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School.
