

WIL LOU GRAY OPPORTUNITY SCHOOL
Board of Trustees
Minutes of July 21-23, 2000

Board Meeting
Citadel North Room
July 21, 2000
7:30 p.m.

The Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School Board of Trustees met on July 21-23, 2000 at 7:30 p.m. at the Embassy Suites Historic Charleston. **Board members present:** Mr. Russell Hart, Mr. Dan Smith, Ms. Lynn Ammons, Mrs. Elizabeth Thrailkill, Dr. Louise Scott, Mrs. Frankie Newman, Mrs. Clotilda Diggs, Ms. Wilhelmina McBride, and Mr. Bryan England. **Board members unable to attend:** Mr. Butch Spires, Mr. Vince Rhodes, Ms. Suzanne Turner. Their absence was excused. **Staff present:** Mr. Pat Smith and Mrs. Helen Smith.

Mr. Hart called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mrs. Diggs made a motion to approve the agenda. Mrs. Thrailkill seconded the motion. The motion passed.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

Ms. Ammons made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 10, 2000 Board meeting. Ms. McBride seconded the motion. The motion passed.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Smith reported the following:

- There are 169 students currently enrolled in the Cycle V program.
- WLTX TV spotlighted the admission process.
- Ms. Cleitman, French Journalist, was doing a documentary on the Youth Challenge program.
- Graduation was a success. Chief Rueben Greenberg delivered an inspirational and motivational speech to Cycle IV cadets.
- FY 2001 Budget request was approved. The only revision involved the \$10,000 recurring request for accounting software maintenance and the \$25,000 non-recurring request for accounting software development. The request was funded as \$35,000 non-recurring.
- Mr. Smith reported that Dr. Norwood's portrait had been completed and he was going to obtain her approval. Dr. Norwood will be invited to the September Board meeting for the unveiling.
- Mrs. Shannon Hicks, Procurement Director, was spotlighted in the *BUYWAYS*.

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PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Mr. Dan Smith made a motion to ratify the personnel actions. Ms. Ammons seconded the motion. The motion passed.

POLICY COMMITTEE

No report.

BUDGET COMMITTEE

No report.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Mrs. Thrailkill stated she would discuss her report under New Business.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

No report.

FOUNDATION COMMITTEE

No report.

WIL LOU GRAY OPPORTUNITY SCHOOL

No report.

OLD BUSINESS

No report.

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Thrailkill made a motion to approve the Cooperative Services Agreement between South Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation Department and the Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School. Ms. Ammons seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Lengthy discussion followed concerning the Cooperative Services Agreement between the Military Department of South Carolina and the Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School. **Mr. England made a motion for Mr. Pat Smith and Mr. Russ Hart to revise the Cooperative Services Agreement between the Military Department of South Carolina and the Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School. Ms. McBride seconded the motion. The motion passed.** Copies of the report would be mailed out to all Board members for their review and input.

The Board unanimously agreed to have Mr. Pat Smith in charge of all programs at the Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School.

Ms. Ammons withdrew from The South Carolina Youth Challenge Academy Advisory Council .

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Mrs Thrialkill discussed her concerns regarding the new Cooperative Services Agreement with the National Guard.

LEGAL UPDATE

No report.

There being no further business, **Mrs. Thrailkill made a motion to recess until 9:00 a.m. Saturday morning. Ms. McBride seconded the motion. The motion passed.**

RECESS

July 22, 2000

The Board Reconvened at 9:00 a.m.

Citadel North Room

Board members present: Mr. Russell Hart, Mr. Dan Smith, Ms. Lynn Ammons, Mrs. Elizabeth Thrailkill, Dr. Louise Scott, Mrs. Frankie Newman, Mrs. Clotilda Diggs, Ms. Wilhelmina McBride and Mr. Bryan England. **Board members unable to attend:** Mr. Butch Spires, Mr. Vince Rhodes, Ms. Suzanne Turner. Their absence was excused. **Staff present:** Mr. Pat Smith and Mrs. Helen Smith.

Mr. Hart called Board meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

LONG RANGE PLAN REVIEW

Mr. Pat Smith stated that two minor changes were made to the Long Range Goals that had been adopted last year:

- 1) GA 1- 60% completion of students participating in GED testing and **a minimum of a one grade improvement in reading.**
- 2) GA 2- **The academic curriculum will maintain no less than 4 prevocational courses. Pre-vocational courses will reflect changes in employment trends for the development of marketable skills.**

Current prevocational courses are:

- Auto Mechanics
- Building Construction
- Computer Literacy
- HVAC (heating, ventilation, air-conditioning)

Mrs. Newman made a motion to approve the Long Range Goals. Ms. McBride seconded the motion. The motion passed.

BUDGET PRIORITIES

FY 2001 Budget request included:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Recurring-Utility Support | \$250,000 |
| -Includes Water & Sewer, Trash, Electric and Gas | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Non Recurring-Vehicle Support | \$ 54,000 |
| -includes three (3) Vans for Student Transportation (\$18,000 per vehicle) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recurring-Software Maintenance Support | \$ 25,000 |
| -includes maintenance on Accounting System, Purchase Order system, Network and Technology Updates | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Non Recurring-Grounds Sprinkler System | \$ 40,000 |
| -includes Well Drilling, Well Pumps and Irrigation System | |

Mrs. Thrailkill made a motion to approve the Budget Priorities. Mrs. Newman seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Mr. Dan Smith made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Ammons seconded the motion. The motion passed.

ADJOURN

Respectfully submitted,

Willhelmina McBride

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