

Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 9, 2005

A meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on February 9, 2005 beginning at 6:00 p.m., in the Board Room of the Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School.

Board members present:

Ms. Lynn Ammons
Mrs. Clotilda Diggs
Mrs. Elizabeth Thrailkill
Mr. Bryan England
Ms. Wilhelmina McBride

Mr. Vince Rhodes
Mr. George M. Ducworth
Mr. Russell Hart
Mrs. Frankie Newman

Board members absent:

Mr. Butch Spires and Mr. Carlisle Roddey were absent and their absence was excused.

Staff members present:

Mr. Pat Smith
Col. Ric Favati
Mrs. Shannon Hicks
Mrs. Sheryl Lorick
Mrs. Lesley Stone

Sgt. Major John Kirk
Mrs. Peggy Williamson
Mrs. Gloria Woodward

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Rhodes made a motion to approve the agenda. Ms. Ammons seconded the motion. The motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Rhodes made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2004, board meeting. Mrs. Diggs seconded the motion. The motion passed.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Smith reported on the following:

- John Tindal, Superintendent of Clarendon School District II visited the WLGOS campus on Feb. 1st. He wrote a letter thanking the staff for their hospitality and accommodations during his visit. He also commended the efforts of WLG and expressed his desire to share what he learned to others in his school district.
- The color guard performs in Charlotte on February 11 at the game between the Charlotte Bobcats and the Miami Heat.
- Legislative Drop-In is scheduled for Feb. 24th at 8:00 a.m. in the Blatt Building
- An article from Anderson College Today, fall 2004, featured George Ducworth as the director/assistant professor for the new Criminal Justice Program.
- A cadet from the Nancy K. Perry Children's Shelter wrote a letter to Dr. Smith at the shelter stating how much he is enjoying the program at WLGOS.
- An archive book written by Dr. Wil Lou Gray in 1935 was given to the school.
- Mr. Butch Spires wrote a thank you note to the board for flowers he received.
- Enrollment as of Feb. 9th is at 144

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Mrs. Newman presented the personnel actions. Mr. Ducworth made a motion ratify the personnel actions. Mr. Rhodes seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The Board was reminded of the April 15th deadline for the nominations of the WLG Award. In addition to the semi-annual award, it was suggested to give a legislative WLG Award, one to the Senate and another one to the House of Representatives. Mr. Russ Hart, Chairman, asked Mrs. Newman to bring suggestions to the May 11, 2005 meeting.

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POLICY COMMITTEE

Nothing to report.

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Budget presented by Mr. Pat Smith in Mrs. Suzanne Busenlehner's absence.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Mrs. Peggy Williamson presented a video of Cycle 13 narrated by cadet Shawdrell McElveen.

Sgt. Major John Kirk spoke about the cadets' weekend trip to Virginia Beach for the 2004 Youth Challenge Invitational. The women's basketball team brought home a first place trophy and the men's basketball team received a fourth place trophy. Sgt. Major Kirk stated that the cadets were well behaved and that everyone had a wonderful time, especially the cadets who had the opportunity to see the ocean for the time.

Midlands Technical College is offering a course, COL 103 College Skills, in which cadets at WLGOS would be able to register for and receive three college credit hours. The course will include topics such as career planning, study skills, stress management, tutoring, group guidance, and other pertinent subjects to help guide student success. The course would concentrate on listening skills, note-taking strategies, time management, research skills, memory techniques, and test-taking strategies.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board was reminded of the resignation of Mrs. Suzanne Turner, as well as, the upcoming legislative board screening for new candidates on March 7th.

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

No action was taken during Executive Session.

Mr. Rhodes 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. Ducworth to adjourn. Mr. Rhodes seconded the motion. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday May 11, 2005, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room located at the Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School.
