

***Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School***  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**



**MEETING MINUTES**

**MAY 11, 2005**

A meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on May 11, 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  
Mr. George M. Ducworth  
Mr. Bryan England  
Mr. Russell Hart  
Mrs. Frankie Newman

Ms. Wilhelmina McBride  
Mr. Vince Rhodes  
Mr. Carlisle Roddey  
Mrs. Elizabeth Thrailkill  
Mr. Wayne Sims  
Mr. John Shennan

**Board members absent:**

None.

**Staff members present:**

Mr. Pat Smith  
Col. Joe Davis  
Mrs. Lesley Stone  
Ms. Sheryl Lorick

Mrs. Shannon Hicks  
Mrs. Gloria Woodward  
Mrs. Suzanne Busenlehner

The meeting was called to order at 6:50 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Roddey made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 09, 2005 board meeting. Mr. Ducworth seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Smith reported on the following:

- In April 38 cadets tested for the GED. Out of those tested, 31 successfully passed the test. Another 26 cadets are eligible to test in May.
- The JROTC Ball was held on Friday, May 6, at the Columbiana Hotel with approximately 500 people in attendance.
- The Color Guard performed at the ceremonies for Columbia's new Postmaster on April 29, 2005.
- Graduation will be held on Saturday June 11, 2005 at the Community Activities Center located at Fort Jackson.
- John Tindal, Superintendent of Clarendon School District two who visited the campus in February, was recently named Superintendent of the Year for the State of South Carolina.
- The FY 04 audit began on May 11.
- The Conference Committee version of the state budget includes \$2,000,000 for the HVAC system improvements. A base recurring budget of \$304,140 and a new proviso that permits flexibility in how our vocational funding is spent.

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

There were no personnel actions to report.

Mrs. Frankie Newman summarized the WLG Award nominees for the Board. She also suggested that Julie Ann Kornahren, form Dorchester County receive the award. Mr. Hart asked the Board if they agreed with Mrs. Newman's suggestion and Mr. Ducworth made a motion to name Julie Kornahren has the winner of the WLG Award. Ms. Ammons seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Mrs. Newman passed a handout to the board with suggested plaque quotes for House and Senate recipients of the WLG Award. Mr. Hart suggested that the Board discuss this at the next meeting.

**POLICY COMMITTEE**

No report.



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**BUDGET COMMITTEE**

Budget presented by Suzanne Busenlehner.

**PROGRAM COMMITTEE**

Mrs. Peggy Williamson prepared a video showing various activities, accomplishments and community service work participated in by the cadets of Cycle 14.

Col. Davis gave a brief synopsis of the Phase II program involving 38 cadets and 14 different host sites. He also spoke about the success of the COL 103 course taught through Midlands Technical College. There are currently 14 cadets enrolled in this course. Mr. Shennan asked Col. Davis about student eligibility for the COL 103 course. Col Davis replied that scores from TABE testing and pre-GED testing determined who would be allowed to take the course.

**BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE**

Mrs. Shannon Hicks gave an overview of the status of the HVAC system repairs. Mrs. Thrailkill thanked Mr. Smith and Mrs. Hicks for their hard work in acquiring the necessary funds for the repairs.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Hart presented a gift to Mrs. Diggs for her many years of service on the WLGOS Board of Trustees.

Mr. Roddey made a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of conducting the Agency Head Evaluation. Mr. Rhodes seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Mr. Ducworth made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Mrs. Thrailkill seconded the motion. The motion passed.

With no further business to discuss a motion was made by Mr. Rhodes to adjourn. Mr. Roddey seconded the motion. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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*Next meeting will be held Wednesday, August 10, 2005, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room located at the Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School.*

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