Minutes of the Oct. 10, 2017
Meeting of the GREEN Charter School Board

Agenda

1. Call to order
2. Approval of agenda items
3. Approval of last meeting minutes 9.12.2017
4. Board Member Update
5. Construction Update
6. Financials
7. Principal Remarks
8. Public Remarks
9. Closure of the meeting

School Board members present: Uma Vaizers, Yavuz Koruk, Melinda Young, Renee LaPierre, Craig Young; Absent during votes: K. Spell.

1. Call to order: Chair M. Young called meeting to order.

2. Approval of agenda items:
   Motion: M. Young
   2nd: U. Vaizers
   Approved: 5-0

3. Approval of last meeting minutes 9.12.2017:
Motion: M. Young
2nd: U. Vaizers
Approved: 5-0

4. Board Member Update: Ms. Spell’s term on the board has expired. The board needs to re-appoint her.

Motion: M. Young makes a motion to re-appoint K. Spell to a two-year term on the board.
2nd: U. Vaizers
Approved: 5-0

5. HS construction: Principal A. Dokmeci reports: Construction work is nearly complete. At the high school, all that remains is the elevator. Work should be complete by first week of November.

   According to A. Dokmeci, there are two additional improvements necessary for GREEN’s high school campus on Century Drive. These are:

   1. The windows in the high school are transparent, creating a safety concern. As blinds are difficult to maintain, the next best option is to create mirroring, with 20% silver tint, so the students can see out of the windows, but people looking in would only see their own reflections. Cost estimates from a local company that can do the work is $40,000.

      Motion: M. Young makes a motion to have the school pay $40,000 to add silver tint to the windows to create a mirrored effect.

      2nd: U. Vaizers

      Approved: 5-0

   2. Another safety issue concerns entrance to the high school campus buildings. Push gates are needed to prevent people from entering the campus without authorization by going first through the main office. The cost is an estimated $18,500, using the same construction company that did the renovations.

      Motion: M. Young made a motion to approve $18,500 for the gates.

      2nd: U. Vaizers

      Motion: 5-0
6. Financials: Financial forms were reviewed by the board. A. Dokmeci says there were some unforeseen construction costs. Also, the Midlands campus will reflect negative numbers until later in the year.

C. Young talked about how GREEN high school can use the gym at Pelham Road Baptist Church for basketball practice. The cost is $50 per hour for three hours per week, for a total of $150 per week. This is for the girls’ basketball team, as there are no coaches available for the boys’ basketball team.

Principal Dokmeci said the school needs a minivan to transport GREEN high school students to Greenville Technical College for their classes. This would cost about $32,000 new. The van also could be used for away basketball games.

7. Principal Remarks: A. Dokmeci said the school might need to institute a probationary period for new staff.

He also discussed the school’s need for grant-writing services that could bring in funds to pay for new technology at each of the three campuses. And, A. Dokmeci discussed the need for a public relations consulting services to promote the schools’ in their communities.

Finally, the test results from the spring showed that GREEN Middle School was eighth in the state, out of all public schools in South Carolina. GREEN Elementary School was 10th in the state.


9. Closure of the meeting: M. Young closed meeting.