

Grambling High Foundation
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
LPS High School Building
February 27, 2023 – 6:30 PM

- A. Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order by Mr. Wiley at 6:40 PM.
- B. Prayer**
- C. Pledge of Allegiance**
- D. Approval of the General Meeting Agenda** – Attorney Stewart moved to approve the General Meeting Agenda. This was seconded by Mr. Watley. The agenda was approved without opposition from the Board.
- E. Adoption of Previous Minutes** – Mr. Watley moved to adopt the previous minutes. This was seconded by Ms. Lewis. The previous minutes were adopted without opposition from the Board.
- F. Roll Call**
- a. Present Members**
 1. Robert Wiley
 2. Clara Lewis
 3. Barbara McIntyre
 4. Pamela Stewart
 5. Ed Watley
 - b. Absent Members**
 1. Hollis Downs
 2. Eddie Robinson, III
 3. Elizabeth Smith
 4. Don Tatum
- G. Public Comments** – Although the meeting was open to the public, no members of the public were present to comment.
- H. Report of the Executive Director** –
- a. Enrollment:** Current enrollment is 682, with 61 attending alternative placement classes. 1,146 total applications have been received. Applications for 2022-23 school year are no longer being received. 2023-24 Open Enrollment period will begin March 31, 2023 and end on April 30, 2023.
 - b. Grade Configuration:**
 1. Currently grades K-2 at NLW (leased second floor of building) and grades 3-12 at Grambling Junction Campus.
 2. Proposed after transition to new campus . . . Kindergarten will remain at NLW and grades 1-12 would move to new school campus.
 - c. Extra-curricular highlights:**
 1. Girls basketball team made playoffs
 - Lost in 1st round

- All starters returning next year
- 2. Basketball team moved from 4th to 2nd
 - Have earned 1st round bye and home court through quarterfinal round
 - Regional round game February 28th at 6:00 p.m.
 - a. Opponent is Riverside Academy
 - b. Game will be played at Jonesboro-Hodge HS
- 3. Spring sports have started
 - Baseball
 - Softball
 - Track and field
- 4. Elementary Basketball started

d. Miscellaneous updates:

1. Innovative Assessment - 2nd Window (5-8)
2. Developing a K-12 Literacy Plan
 - Goal 1- students on grade level by 3rd grade
 - Goal 2- support struggling readers
 - Goal 3- increase parental involvement
3. Focusing on ACT/Workkeys Index
 - Two more Workkeys opportunities for seniors to improve their score
 - All juniors and seniors will take the ACT in March/April timeframe
 - Highest of two exams counts for accountability

I. New Business

- a. none

J. Reports

- a. **Financial** – MFP funding was expected to be at 58.3% collected but is currently at 54.4% due to a lag in receiving the funds. Approximately \$114k in Federal grants requested for the month of August that has now been received. September through November requests totaling \$597K have been submitted. Some, but not all, has been received. Cafeteria reimbursement through January on the report. Year-to-date gross profit is over \$168K. Expenses are projected to be at 58.3% and current expenditures are at 54.8% (48.1% for salaries and 49.4% for benefits).

- b. **Other Reports – None.**

K. Old Business

- a. **Construction Update –**

1. Completion dates have been pushed back about three more weeks . . . delays are for weather and materials. We are currently projecting the Mid-March.
 - Administration/Library – 3/2/2023
 - Cafeteria – 3/8/2023
 - High School Wing – 3/20/2023

- Middle School Wing – 3/13/2023
 - Grades 3-4 Wing – 3/8/2023
 - Grades 1-2 Wing – 3/8/2023
 - Gymnasium – 3/29/2023
 - Exterior Site Work – 4/1/2023 for landscaping and canopies
2. 92 percent complete as of February 26, 2022
 - Classroom wings - paint complete
 - Main Building - Central air units on
 - Ceiling tile/door installation ongoing
 - Science lab tops being installed
 3. Football stadium work has begun.
 - Concrete curbing is complete.
 - Turf components are on site.
 4. Track, lights, goalposts, fieldhouse, baseball and softball dates are still TBD.
 5. **Sewer:**
 - City of Grambling sewer complete
 - LPS gravity sewer work complete
 - LPS force main in-work
 - Fire Marshal inspection – 2/28/2023.
 6. **Land Swap:** working to swap nearly equal portions of land near entrance road.
 7. Multiple pictures shown to Board Members. Pictures were also uploaded to social media pages.

- b. **Executive Director Evaluation** – Deferred to March meeting.
- c. **Executive Director Salary Review** – Deferred to March meeting. Board members Wiley, McIntyre, Stewart and Watley (those not on the Evaluation sub-group) will bring recommendation to the Board at the March meeting.
- d. **Charter Board Governance Program:** No additional discussion. Will remain in Old Business in future meetings. LDOE and LAPCS looking to increase Board capacity and is offering opportunities.
- e. **Ribbon Cutting and Open House** . . . TBD. Want to have a soft opening prior to having the Open House. Potentially a week or two after Easter

L. Relationships with City of Grambling and Grambling State University – Added City of Grambling to this line item.

- a. **City of Grambling:** small glitch in communication between their subcontractor and our contractor . . . appears to be worked out.
- b. **Grambling State University:** Still have . . . Dual enrollment classes, three residency teachers, Dr. Washington approved as Adjunct Faculty in College of Education to teach a dual enrollment course at LPS. LPS staff working with GSU staff to improve dual-enrollment processes. Dual enrollment has become more of an emphasis area for President Gallot, due to increased interest from members of the Louisiana Board of Regents.

M. Future Meetings

- a. **Next Meeting Date** – The next meeting will be on March 27, 2023 at 6:30 PM. Meeting might be at the new school campus . . .

N. Announcements –

- a. Playoff game tomorrow night at Jonesboro.
- b. Quarterfinal will be Thursday or Friday if we win tomorrow night.

O. Executive Session (if necessary) – not held

- P. Adjournment** – Mr. Watley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. McIntyre seconded this motion. With nothing further to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.