

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

- A. Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order by Mr. Wiley at 6:30 PM.
- B. Prayer**
- C. Pledge of Allegiance**
- D. Approval of the General Meeting Agenda** – Mr. Tatum moved to approve the General Meeting Agenda. This was seconded by Ms. McIntyre. The agenda was approved without opposition from the Board.
- E. Adoption of Previous Minutes** – Attorney Stewart moved to adopt the previous minutes. This was seconded by Mr. Watley. The previous minutes were adopted without opposition from the Board.
- F. Roll Call**
- a. Present Members**
    1. Robert Wiley
    2. Barbara McIntyre
    3. Pamela Stewart
    4. Elizabeth Smith
    5. Don Tatum
    6. Ed Watley
  - b. Absent Members**
    1. Hollis Downs
    2. Clara Lewis
    3. Eddie Robinson, III
- G. Public Comments** – Public Comments received from Lincoln Parish School Board Members in attendance: David Ferguson, District 1 and Dr. Danielle Williams, District 2.
- H. Report of the Executive Director** –
- a. Enrollment:** 2023-24 Open Enrollment period will begin March 31, 2023 and end on April 30, 2023. Enrollment Lottery will be held on May 4, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.
  - b. Grade Configuration:**
    1. Kindergarten at NLW (leased second floor of building), grades 1-8 Campus, and grades 9-12 at Grambling Junction.
    2. Plan for 2023-24 . . . pre-K and Kindergarten will be at Grambling Junction (Early Learning Center) and grades 1-12 at the new main campus.
  - c. Extra-curricular highlights:**
    1. Boys basketball team
      - State Runner-ups
      - 24<sup>th</sup> state tournament appearance . . . tied for 4<sup>th</sup> all-time.
    2. Spring sports have started

- Baseball
  - Softball
  - Track and field
3. Taekwondo tournament – April 1, 2023
  4. Battle of the Bands – April 29th

**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. Principal of the Year – Executive Director Ford is a semifinalist for Louisiana Principal of the Year. Finalist to be announced at the Teacher Leader Summit in June. Winner will be announced at the Principal/Teacher of the Year Gala on July 22, 2023. Board members are encouraged to make plans to attend the Gala. More information to come on tables and tickets.
- b. Lincoln Prep received a complaint from LDOE that was submitted by a former employee. Executive Director Ford spoke with LDOE to answer questions regarding the complaint and submitted the requested documentation. All information was reviewed with Attorney Storms. Additional discussion was referred to Executive Session.

**J. Reports**

- a. **Financial** – MFP funding was expected to be at 66.7% collected but is currently at 69.7% 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 received. December request for \$195K has been submitted. Cafeteria reimbursement through February on the report. Year-to-date gross profit is over \$187K. Expenses are projected to be at 66.7% and current expenditures are at 57.2% (56.0% for salaries and 56.4% for benefits).

**b. Other Reports – None.**

**K. Old Business**

**a. Construction Update –**

1. Completion dates have been pushed back about one more week . . .
  - Administration/Library – 4/11/2023
  - Cafeteria – done (minus fire suppression and dishwashing sink)

- High School Wing – 3/29/2023
  - Middle School Wing – done
  - Grades 3-4 Wing – done
  - Grades 1-2 Wing – done
  - Gymnasium – 5/10/2023
  - Exterior Site Work – 4/1/2023 for landscaping and canopies
2. 95 percent complete as of March 26, 2022
    - Grades 1-8 are moved in
    - Grades 9-12 moving in next week
    - Admin and library after the Spring Break
    - Punch list items worked during the break
  3. Football field 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. Football Stadium and Fieldhouse
    - Plans are complete
    - Pricing due next week
  - 6.

- b. **Executive Director Evaluation** – Deferred to April meeting.
- c. **Executive Director Salary Review** – Deferred to April 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** . . . Board expressed desire to have Grand Opening before school is out. Executive Director will work to schedule for the final week of school, May 22-24.

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

- a. **City of Grambling:** nothing to report.
- b. **Grambling State University:** nothing to report.

**M. Future Meetings**

- a. **Next Meeting Date** – The next meeting will be on April 24, 2023 at 6:30 PM.

**N. Announcements** – none

**O. Executive Session** –

- a. Board went into Executive Session at 8:10 p.m. to discuss complaint by former employee.
- b. Executive session ended at 9:00 p.m. No action taken by Board

**P. Adjournment** – Mr. Watley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Attorney Stewart seconded this motion. With nothing further to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.