

Grambling High Foundation
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Lincoln Preparatory School Conference Room
February 12, 2024 – 12:00 Noon

- A. Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order by Mr. Wiley at 12:00 p.m.
- B. Prayer**
- C. Pledge of Allegiance**
- D. Approval of the General Meeting Agenda:** Mr. Watley moved to approve the General Meeting Agenda. This was seconded by Attorney Stewart. The agenda was approved without opposition from the Board.
- E. Adoption of Previous Minutes** – Attorney Stewart moved to adopt the November minutes. This was seconded by Mr. Watley. The November minutes were adopted without opposition from the Board.
- F. Roll Call**
- a. Present Members**
1. Robert Wiley
 2. Barbara McIntyre
 3. Hollis Downs
 4. Elizabeth Smith
 5. Pamela Stewart
 6. Ed Watley
- b. Absent Members**
1. Clara Lewis
 2. Eddie Robinson, III
- G. Public Comments** – none.
- H. Report of the Executive Director** –
- a. Enrollment:** October 1 enrollment 747, with 688 on-campus and 59 at NLWS. Current enrollment is 688. 18 students are in alternative placement at home.
- b. Grade Configuration:**
1. Pre-kindergarten and Kindergarten at Grambling Junction.
 2. Grades 1-12 at the new main campus.
 3. Testing is at main campus.
 4. Alternative placement – Students at home. Instruction is primarily online, with in-person meetings after school
- c. Extracurricular**
1. Basketball season
 - Girls finished season ranked 20th
 - 1st round playoff game this week

- Catholic Pointe Coupee, Thursday, time TBD
- Boys won district championship
 - Undefeated in district
 - Currently ranked 5th in state
 - Will have a first-round bye
 - One game remaining . . . a win could move us into 4th in rankings
- 2. Preparing for spring sports
 - Increased participation this year
 - Will need to order additional track and field uniforms

d. Academic Areas of focus

1. Increasing number of students at benchmark
2. Increasing ACT and Work Keys scores
3. Ensuring all non ECA students graduate with a credential
4. Collaborating with enrollment for grad cohort cleanup
5. Implementing effective co-teaching strategies with gen ed and sped

e. Intercession

1. 250 kids participated
2. Benchmark data is still TBD

f. Special Education numbers (question from Attorney Smith)

1. Approximately 20% of student population
2. Minimum for type 2 charter schools is based on local school system numbers
3. There is no maximum number
4. Contracted consultant is RBW, LLC . . . state recommended vendor
 - Standardizing procedures across grade levels for IEPs
 - Professional development and observations on co-teaching for inclusion students
5. Additional discussion on special education staffing and procedures

I. New Business:

a. Comments by Board Member Downs: He would like to see more students and staff presenting during Board Meetings. Pre-k and kindergarten is critical to future success of Lincoln Prep. We need to continue to push the program forward.

1. Funding has been requested for the 2024-25 school year.
2. GSU will house 2 and 3 year-olds in their program and Lincoln Prep will have 4 year-olds and above. GSU students will perform observations and internships at LPS Early Learning Center.

b. Comments by Board Member Smith: She requested that Board consider moving meetings from noon back to evening. She would like to see more students and staff at

Board meetings. Consensus was to keep meetings at noon.

J. Reports:

- a. Financial Report presented . . . no questions.
 - 1. State reimbursements continue to lag
 - 2. Overall budget is on target

K. Old Business

a. Construction Update –

- 1. Fieldhouse - est. comp. July 2024
 - Superstructure is complete
- 2. Track painting and striping is complete
 - GSU track team is now practicing on our track and field
- 3. Basketball season
 - Had first home game in new gymnasium
 - Picture and story was on front page of the Ruston Leader
- 4. Support Building – est. comp. Dec '23
- 5. Bleachers and pressbox – Feb '24
- 6. Temporary power and bleachers for 2023 football season
- 7. Transformer is delayed until April
- 8. Baseball and Softball stadiums – TBD

- b. **Charter Board Governance Program:** No additional discussion. Will remain in Old Business in future meetings. LDOE program with LAPCS looking to increase Board capacity.

L. Partner Relationships

- a. **City of Grambling** – City Council accepted road dedication and naming to “Dr. Birdex Copeland, Jr. Drive”. Need to coordinate time to sign documents with Mr. Storms.
- b. **Grambling State University** – nothing to report
- c. **Rhodes Development** – met with developer regarding road dedication. Also signed MOU to reimburse \$290K in sewer costs over the next three years.

M. Future Meetings: Next Meeting Date – February 26, 2024 at 12:00 noon.

N. Announcements:

- a. Mr. Tatum has resigned from the Board.
- b. Girl's playoff game on Thursday

O. Adjournment – Attorney Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Watley seconded this motion. With nothing further to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 1:07 p.m.