

**Grambling High Foundation**  
**Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors**  
**Lincoln Preparatory School Conference Room**  
**November 6, 2023 – 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:** Attorney Smith 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** – Attorney Stewart moved to adopt the August and September minutes. This was seconded by Ms. McIntyre. The August and September minutes were adopted without opposition from the Board.
  
- F. Roll Call**
  - a. Present Members**
    - 1. Robert Wiley
    - 2. Clara Lewis
    - 3. Barbara McIntyre
    - 4. Hollis Downs
    - 5. Elizabeth Smith
    - 6. Pamela Stewart
    - 7. Don Tatum
    - 8. Ed Watley
  
  - b. Absent Members**
    - 1. Eddie Robinson, III
  
- G. Public Comments** – two members of the public provided comments.
  
- H. Report of the Executive Director** –
  - a. Enrollment:** October 1 enrollment 747, with 688 on-campus and 59 at NLWS. Current enrollment is 699, with 0 students at NLWS. 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. Football Program – ended year 2-8
2. Starting basketball season
  - Jr High started already
  - Varsity starts Saturday
3. Debate Team went to Lafayette to observe a debate
4. Students of the Week and perfect attendance students attended to Lady Techsters game

**d. Miscellaneous Updates**

1. PreK-8
  - Reading interventions/bi-weekly tracking
  - Identification of Tier 2 and 3 students
2. High school
  - ACT bootcamps

**I. New Business:**

- a. **Fiscal Risk Assessment:** The only proposed changes to the budget were additional federal funds authorized.

**J. Reports:**

- a. Financial Report presented and several questions were answered.
  1. Are all accounts at the same bank? Yes . . . at Louisiana National Bank
  2. What is the difference between the Lincoln Prep accounts and Grambling High Foundation accounts? GHF account contains private funds that the Foundation raised prior to starting the charter school. They are held separately to avoid comingling private and public funds.
  3. What are the Reserve accounts? They are one year of payments for each Bond Issue. Those funds will be held until the loan is paid off, per our Trust Indenture. Accounts are held by Regions Bank and managed by Trustee. Interest paid on these accounts eventually flow back to the operating fund.
  4. Do the LNB CD's earn interest? Yes . . . currently 5.1% and is reinvested into the CD's.
  5. Do these accounts accrue toward our required fund balance? Yes . . . the LNB accounts do, but the accounts held at Regions do not.

**K. Old Business**

**a. Construction Update –**

1. Academic building – complete
  - Warranty work in progress
    - Air conditioning
    - Doors
2. Gymnasium – complete

3. Turf, lights, goalposts – complete
  - Track surfacing is underway
4. Support Building – est. comp. Dec '23
5. Bleachers and pressbox – Feb '24
6. Temporary power and bleachers for 2023 football season
7. Fieldhouse - est. comp. July 2024
  - Underground work complete
  - PEMB arrived today
  - Slab to be poured this week
8. Transformer is delayed until April
9. Baseball and Softball stadiums – TBD
10. Basketball season
  - All home games in new gym
  - Minor punch list items remain

**b. Alternative Provider Information:** See above in Executive Director Report

**c. 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.

**L. Relationships with City of Grambling and Grambling State University** – nothing to report

**M. Future Meetings: Next Meeting Date** – December 11, 2023 at 12:00 noon.

**N. Announcements:** Board Member McIntyre announced that the Greater Grambling Chamber of Commerce would be held on October 19<sup>th</sup> at Ruston Civic Center. Wine and Cheese reception starts at 6:00 p.m. Executive Director Ford and Lincoln Prep will be honored this year.

**O. Executive Session:** Attorney Stewart made a motion to go into Executive Session. Attorney Smith seconded this motion. Board went into Executive Session at 12:34 p.m. No actions or votes were taken during the Executive Session. Executive Session ended at 1:37 p.m.

**P. Adjournment** – Attorney Stewart made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Attorney Smith seconded this motion. With nothing further to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 1:38 p.m.