

Minutes for Board of Directors  
Grambling High Foundation  
Regular Meeting  
July 31, 2017, 6:00 P.M.  
Grambling City Hall

- A. Call to Order- Meeting was called to order at 6:09 P.M. by Dr. Copeland.
- B. Prayer- Dr. Copeland
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Approval of Agenda- Motion/Stewart, 2<sup>nd</sup>- Downs/Unanimous
- E. Adoption of Previous Minutes- Motion/Stewart, 2<sup>nd</sup> Wiley- with corrections; corrections made accordingly.
- F. Roll Call-
  - A. Members Present
    - Dr. Birdex Copeland
    - Katrina Boden
    - Hollis Downs
    - Rachael Johnson
    - Pamela Stewart
    - Rhonda Pruitt
    - Eddie Robinson, III
  - B. Members Absent
    - Robert Wiley

G. Public Comments-

H. Report of Executive Director- Mr. Gordan Ford gave the report. He talked about an organizational chart due to Mr. Rashid Young and Mr. Bobby Jordan resigning. Mr. Jordan was the Supervisor of the Special Education Dept, which was passed on to Mrs. Fanese Cowan. Mr. R Young's duties were divided with the Business Manager portion being assigned to Mrs. Anderea W. Harris and the Operations portion being passed to Mr. Billy Norman. Coach Glen Hall, Athletic Director was also named Dean of Students, with Mr. Fred Hearn being his assistant. Question- (Mr. Downs) Are the number of employees up or down? Ms. Boden replied, there's a budget increase of \$180,000. Question- Mr. Downs asked Mr. Ford how does he feel about the turnover and Mr. Ford replied, I feel good about it. Mr. Ford spoke on the Administrative Team attending a workshop in Shreveport and the informative information brought back. The cheerleaders went to ULM and placed in every category, won the leadership award, and 2 of our girls won All-American. Band camp started today 07/31/17- Mr. Simpson will not be returning, but the position has been filled by Chivas Ross, former member of G.S.U.

Ms. P. Burks- spoke on the Leap 360 workshop they attended on 07/31/17 in Monroe. The Leap 360 is free this year, hopefully if there is a cost there is a grant in place. Friday, 08/14/17 Back-to-school assembly K-12 for

everyone. There has been a new slogan put into place by Ms. Burks and Ms. Colvin, "One Team One Dream." Ms. Burks also wants to get more computers purchased, one in each classroom in the elementary

**I. Legal updates- There were no Legal Updates**

J. Committee Reports-

- 1) Education and Personal- No Report
- 2) Financial Report- Only a draft and a draft will remain in place until the audit.
- 3) Facilities and Transportation- No report

4) Alumni and Community Relations- No meeting. Dr. Pruitt ask to be listed in the visitor's bureau, she would also like to present a calendar to the community. It was Motion-Pruitt/2<sup>nd</sup> –Johnson that the community will be empowered that our school be uplifted in the community. Dir. Stewart wants information to be updated, but not pay dues to the Chamber of Commerce.

K. Old Business

- 1) Revision of By-Laws (Grambling High Foundation)- Motion-Dr. Copeland/2<sup>nd</sup> Stewart, the revising of the by-laws. Mr. Downs suggested that the by-laws be revised and come up with a final form, also mentioned dropping the name Grambling High Foundation. Ms. Boden and Dr. Stewart will be responsible for revising the by-laws.
- 2) Update on Current Location Improvements- Working on getting everything up and running per Mr. Ford.
- 3) Update on Food Service- Terrence Giles is the school Representative for SLA out of Orlando, Florida. We are expected to profit \$30,000 to improve cafeteria. The improvements have to stay strictly with food services.

L. New Business

- 1) Board Membership Update- Ms. Boden said they are looking or thinking of someone with educational background, or in the education arena. Mr. Downs opened the nomination for Mr. Don Tatum. Dr. Copeland ask for any more nominations, there were none. The board voted 6- "1", 1-nay, in a favor of Mr. Don Tatum.
- 2) Introduction of 2017-18 Lincoln's Prep budget- Under law cannot be discussed- emailed to Finance Committee.

M. Next Board Meeting- Aug. 28, 2017

N. Announcements- No Announcements

O. Executive Session (optional) Motion- Stewart/ 2<sup>nd</sup>-Dr. Pruitt- 7:39 p.m.

P. Adjournment- 7:52 p.m.

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President

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Secretary

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