

# Gray Collegiate Academy Charter School

## Board Meeting

West Columbia, South Carolina

January 23, 2023

~ AGENDA ~

1. Call to Order

2. Mission:

Gray Collegiate Academy will serve students in a safe, small, family-centered setting who seek the opportunity and challenge of rigorous curriculum, high academic standards, and outstanding athletics while earning up to two years of college credit while in high school.

3. Adoption of Agenda

4. Approval of Minutes

5. Executive Session

a) Receipt of legal advice regarding contractual matters

6. Actions taken, if any, on items discussed in Executive Session

7. Presentation from the Charter Institute at Erskine

7. Presentation from Adams and Reese

8. Financial Report- Mrs. Marty Rawls

9. Principal's Report- Dr. Brian Newsome

10. Action Items

a) Approval of Local Board Approved Courses for the 2023-2024 School Year

b) Approval of the 2023-2024 Academic Calendar

11. Athletic Report-Coach Holmes

12. Adjournment

Public comments:

The official meeting of the board is by law a public meeting and the board values citizen input; however, in order to protect the integrity of the adopted agenda, public dialogue will be restricted to the 'public comments' section of the agenda or as directed by the board chairman.

Each speaker has two minutes.

Speakers may not ask questions of board members.

Board members may not engage speakers in discussion.

Disruptive behavior is not permitted.

Personal attacks aimed at students or staff are not permitted.

Scurrilous, obscene, or recklessly defamatory language aimed at any board member is not permitted.

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**Gray Collegiate Academy Charter School Board Meeting**  
**West Columbia, South Carolina**  
**January 6, 2023**  
**~Minutes~**

**1. Call to Order:**

Teresa Brazell called the meeting to order at 10:36 am. Those present included the following:

- Board Members: Teresa Brazell, Wayne McKim, MacKenzie Long, Andy Markl, and Pennie Peagler.
- Gray Collegiate Academy Staff Members: Dr. Brian Newsome, Marty Rawls and Casey Hallman.
- Legal Counsel: Jay Matthews

**2. Mission:**

Mission statement read by Teresa Brazell:

Gray Collegiate Academy will serve students in a safe, small, family-centered, setting who seek the opportunity and challenge of rigorous curriculum, high academic standards, and outstanding athletics while earning up to two years of college credit while in high school.

**3. Approval of Agenda:**

Wayne McKim moved to adopt the agenda as posted and MacKenzie Long 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All voted in favor to adopt the agenda as posted.

**4. Executive session-contracts/legal:**

MacKenzie Long made a motion to enter executive session. Wayne McKim 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Executive Session was entered at 10:37 am and ended at 11:18 am.

**5. Any actions as a result of executive session:**

MacKenzie Long made a motion to put reserve funds in an account to cover additional/final expenses incurred to complete the construction project. The reserve is \$1,206,658. Andy Markl 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All voted in favor of the motion.

Pennie Peagler made a motion to approve Teresa Brazell and Brian Newsome to work with legal counsel to send Pinnacle a Notice of Pre-Determination of their contract and to seek an amendment to the current loan documents. MacKenzie Long 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All voted in favor to approve the motion.

**6. Adjournment:**

Andy Markl made a motion to adjourn at 11:20 am. Wayne McKim 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All members unanimously voted to adjourn.

**GRAY COLLEGIATE ACADEMY, INC.**  
**CASH ANALYSIS**  
**MONTHLY SUMMARY**  
**FOR THE PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022**

**First Community Bank**

Cash Balance 11-30-2022		3,473,637.01
Deposits/Credits/Transfers	971,618.98	
Withdrawals/Debits/Checks/Transfers	(745,024.17)	
Cash Held for Construction Project	(1,206,658.00)	
Cash Balance 12-31-2022		2,493,573.82

<b>Days of Cash on Hand</b>	<b>82.19</b>
<b>Days Required by the SC Dept of Education</b>	<b>20.00</b>
<b>Days Required by Bond Agreements</b>	<b>38.00</b>

**UMB Trust Account (Bond funds)**

Balance in Construction Project Funds	4,205,333.59
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**GRAY COLLEGIATE ACADEMY, INC.**  
**GENERAL FUND**  
**MONTHLY REVENUE/EXPENDITURE SUMMARY**  
**FOR THE PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022**

	ORIGINAL BUDGET		ACTUAL FOR MONTH		ACTUAL YEAR TO DATE		% Received
<b>LOCAL SOURCES</b>							
Student Fees & Fundraisers	\$ 250,000	\$	6,325	\$	27,020		10.81%
Interest on Investments	1,250		2,453		18,810		1504.83%
Other Miscellaneous Revenue	-		1,778		55,063		
<b>TOTAL - LOCAL SOURCES</b>	<b>251,250</b>		<b>10,556</b>		<b>100,893</b>		<b>40.16%</b>
<b>STATE SOURCES</b>							
State Aid to Classrooms - General Fund	5,755,800	\$	612,662	\$	3,409,947		59.24%
<b>TOTAL - STATE SOURCES</b>	<b>5,755,800</b>		<b>612,662</b>		<b>3,409,947</b>		<b>59.24%</b>
<b>TRANSFERS FROM OTHER FUNDS</b>							
State Aid to Classrooms - Education Improvement Act	1,014,624		108,000		601,108		59.24%
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<b>TOTAL REVENUES AS OF 12/31/2022</b>	<b>\$ 7,021,674</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>731,217</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,111,948</b>		<b>58.56%</b>

	ORIGINAL BUDGET		ADJUSTED BUDGET		ACTUAL YEAR TO DATE		% Expended
<b>SALARIES AND FRINGE</b>							
Instructional	\$ 1,676,340	\$	1,676,340	\$	743,007		44.32%
Support Services	1,373,948		1,373,948		806,389		58.69%
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>3,050,288</b>		<b>3,050,288</b>		<b>1,549,396</b>		<b>50.80%</b>
<b>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES/OTHER OBJECTS</b>							
Instructional	63,500		63,500		20,263		31.91%
Support Services	1,412,500		1,412,500		967,496		68.50%
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>1,476,000</b>		<b>1,476,000</b>		<b>987,759</b>		<b>66.92%</b>
<b>SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS</b>							
Instructional	108,250		108,250		38,100		35.20%
Support Services	437,250		437,250		317,230		72.55%
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>545,500</b>		<b>545,500</b>		<b>355,330</b>		<b>65.14%</b>
<b>EQUIPMENT</b>							
Instructional	75,000		75,000		-		0.00%
Support Services	30,000		30,000		85,018		283.39%
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>105,000</b>		<b>105,000</b>		<b>85,018</b>		<b>80.97%</b>
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>							
Support Services	1,316,700		1,316,700		663,209		50.37%
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<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES AS OF 12/31/2022</b>	<b>\$ 6,493,489</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>6,493,489</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,640,712</b>		<b>56.07%</b>

GRAY COLLEGIATE ACADEMY, INC.  
OTHER FUNDS  
MONTHLY SUMMARY  
FOR THE PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022

	MONTH	YEAR TO DATE
<b>FEDERAL FUNDS (reimbursed after expensed)</b>		
<b><u>IDEA (Individuals with Disabilities Act) 2022-2023 award \$14,263.48</u></b>		
Revenue	\$0	\$0 <i>Claim submitted in January</i>
Expenditures	\$619	\$3,297
<b>BALANCE AVAILABLE</b>	<b>-\$619</b>	<b>-\$3,297</b>
<b><u>Title II (Recruitment &amp; Retention) award \$19,250.00</u></b>		
Revenue	\$0	\$0 <i>Will submit a claim in February</i>
Expenditures	\$0	\$16,600
<b>BALANCE AVAILABLE</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>-\$16,600</b>
<b><u>ESSER II award \$594,854.15 - expires 6/30/2023</u></b>		
Revenue	\$114,325	\$114,325 <i>Will submit a claim in February</i>
Expenditures	\$44,815	\$252,599
<b>BALANCE AVAILABLE</b>	<b>\$69,510</b>	<b>-\$138,274</b>
<b><u>ESSER III award \$1,228,398.52 - expires 6/30/2024</u></b>		
Revenue		
Expenditures		
<b>BALANCE AVAILABLE</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>STATE FUNDS (reimbursed after expensed)</b>		
<b><u>CAREER &amp; TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION - allocation \$38,033.34</u></b>		
Revenue		
Expenditures		
<b>BALANCE AVAILABLE</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>STATE FUNDS (revenue received monthly)</b>		
<b><u>SCIENCE REFURBISHMENT KITS - allocation \$16,376.91</u></b>		
Revenue	\$0	\$16,377
Expenditures	\$250	\$250
<b>BALANCE AVAILABLE</b>	<b>-\$250</b>	<b>\$16,127</b>
<b><u>HEALTH FITNESS - NURSE - allocation \$21,181.72</u></b>		
Revenue	\$2,118	\$8,473
Expenditures	\$2,351	\$8,495
<b>BALANCE AVAILABLE</b>	<b>-\$233</b>	<b>-\$22</b>
<b><u>CAREER SPECIALISTS - allocation \$52,831.71</u></b>		
Revenue	\$6,222	\$15,501
Expenditures	\$5,175	\$15,975
<b>BALANCE AVAILABLE</b>	<b>\$1,047</b>	<b>-\$474</b>



**School Board Meeting  
January 23, 2023  
Principal's Report**

\*Enrollment is currently at 806 students. We still have a waiting list for all grade levels.

\*Lunch and learns have started again. We are close to being full again for next school year.

***EXCELLENT Report Card Rating***

**\*One of only 4 High Schools in our surrounding districts (Lex 1-5, Richland 1 & 2). The other schools were 4A and 5A High Schools.**

\*Construction is still going well. We have opened the new gym and the new benchmark will be soccer. We are hopeful to have it approved by Feb 8.

\*We currently have the largest capacity gymnasium among all SC Public Charter Schools in SC.

\*I submitted 4 proposals for changes with the SCHSL.

\*Teacher Certification: In an effort to decrease the number of uncertified teachers we have numerous teachers enrolled in the Teachers of Tomorrow program. They will gain their initial certification during the 22-23 school year.

\*Career and Technology Education: Gray will have its first class of CTE Completers this year. We have added an additional course to the series so the students can become completers. In the future, due to the addition of Ms. Keim we will be able to add a completer path for Sports Medicine.



# Gray Collegiate Academy | 2023-2024 CALENDAR

JULY '23						
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30	31					

**4** Independence Day  
**27** Last Day for Registration  
**28** Schedule sent by email  
**31** New Faculty & Staff Report

JANUARY '24						
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**1** Winter Break  
**2** Professional Development  
**3** Q3/S2 Begins  
**3** USC classes begin  
**12** 1st Weather Make-up  
**15** M.L. King, Jr. Day

AUGUST '23						
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**1** All Faculty & Staff Return  
**7** First day of school  
**7** USC classes begin

FEBRUARY '24						
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**16** 2nd Weather Make-up  
**19** Presidents' Day

SEPTEMBER '23						
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**4** Labor Day

MARCH '24						
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**8** Q3 Ends  
**8** 135<sup>th</sup> day Reporting  
**11** Q4 Begins  
**14** Parent/Teacher Conference (4pm – 7pm)  
**15** Parent/Teacher Conference (8am – 12pm)  
**29** 3rd Weather Make-up Day  
**31** Easter Sunday

OCTOBER '23						
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**9** 45<sup>th</sup> day Reporting  
**9** Q1 ends  
**10** Q2 begins  
**19** Parent/Teacher Conference (4pm – 7pm)  
**20** Parent/Teacher Conference (8am-12pm)

APRIL '24						
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**1-5** Spring Break  
**8** Professional Development

NOVEMBER '23						
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**20-24** Fall Break  
**23** Thanksgiving Day

MAY '24						
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**6-10** USC Finals week  
**10** USC classes end  
**10** Seniors Last Day  
**22** Last Day for Students  
**23** Graduation  
**27** Memorial Day  
**28** Last Day for teachers

DECEMBER '23						
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**5-8** USC exam week  
**8** USC classes end  
**8** S1 Edmentum end  
**18** Half Day  
**18** End Q2/S1  
**18** 90<sup>th</sup> day Reporting  
**19-30** Winter Break  
**25** Christmas Day

JUNE '24						
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School day for all students and staff  
 Half Day for Students  
 No School for students/ Faculty & staff must attend  
 Holiday for faculty, staff, & students

## 2023-2024 Local Board Approved Classes

- 1) **Gray Integration**-A course designed specifically to help introduce our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students to our academic expectations and school culture here at Gray Collegiate Academy.
- 2) **BIO 101 Lab**- Introduction survey of macromolecules, cell structure and function, genetics, and molecular biology.
- 3) **American Studies**- Focuses on US History from the Reconstruction Period to the present.
- 4) **Anatomy & Physiology Lab**- First part of a 2-part laboratory sequence covering Human Anatomy and Physiology. The students learn the principles of human anatomy and physiology, which are demonstrated by microscopic studies, animal dissection, and physiological experiments.
- 5) **Yearbook Production 2-4**- We want to produce our own yearbook and provide opportunity for the students to participate and earn a High School credit.
- 6) **Physical Education 5-8**- The emphasis in this course is on muscular strength, endurance, flexibility, and safety.



## ATHLETICS

### Winter Sports

#### Basketball

Our basketball season is in full swing and both programs are doing well. Our boys' team is ranked #1 in Class 2A and #1 in the State regardless of classification. They have been ranked nationally this season. Our girls' team is ranked #2 in Class 2A. Coach Wallace has done an unbelievable job with these girls, and we are excited to have him leading our girls program. Both programs had two unbelievable games with Keenan last week. Our boys split the series game and sit on top of the region because of the point differential. Our girls lost both games so that puts them second in the region. Both these matchups are probably going to be in the Upper State Finals so we will see both these teams again.

Last week was difficult with the injury we had with one of our players Mycheal Mitchell. As tough as it was, it was also amazing to see the efforts and practices we have in place to handle situations like this. Our trainer Madisen Kiem did an unbelievable job of handling a tough situation and pretty much saving Mycheal's life. This is why we need a trainer and are so lucky to have someone as skilled as Madisen. I also want to thank our administration, coaches, and security for following procedures the way we practice them. We are fortunate that Mycheal is okay and everyone did their job.

### Spring Sports

We are in the midst of "Open" season for spring sports. Our spring sports consist of Baseball, Softball, Boys/Girls Soccer, Golf, and Boys/Girls Track. This week is our last week for open season. Actually, this Wednesday is the last day of open season. Tryouts begin January 30th for all teams.

### Senior Night

Senior Night for Winter Sports will be next Tuesday January 31st between the girls' and boys' basketball game. We will honor Senior Boys and Girls on the basketball team, along with our Seniors on the Dance team.