

**Greenville Technical Charter High School
Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes**

September 16, 2025 | 6:00 PM

The Board of Directors met in person in the Multi-Purpose Room, of Greenville Technical Charter High School, Building 120.

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Chris Loewer, Board Chairman, called the regular meeting of the Greenville Technical Charter High School Board of Directors to order at 6:01 p.m. Board Members present were, Ms. Kelly Baird, Mr. Chad Davis, Mr. Bob Ground, Mr. Chris Jonker, Ms. Terrie McGill, Ms. Brittany Scott, and Ms. Chandra Snyder were present. Dr. Rhonda Gregory, Principal; Dot Feters, Board Clerk, were also present. Ms. Mary Brantley attended via phone. Ms. Uta Samuel was absent. Mr. Loewer stated that a quorum was present to vote.

READING OF GTCHS MISSION STATEMENT:

The school will provide equitable opportunities for all students to acquire an education that prepares them to be productive citizens, critical thinkers, and part of a global workforce utilizing employability skills.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Chairman requested the approval of the minutes for the August 19, 2025, regularly called meeting. Meeting minutes were distributed on August 27, 2025. Ms. Snyder moved to accept the August 19, 2025, minutes, which Ms Baird seconded. Motion to approve the minutes carried unanimously.

PUBLIC INPUT SESSION:

- None

HIGHLIGHT:

- None

GTCHS REPORTS:

Principal's Report - Dr. Gregory presented the Principal's Report.

Operations

- Club Fair and open house success!
- "Adopt a spot" campus beautification
- New to GTCHS "Event"
- Special Education Initial Meetings-20+ meetings within the first 60 days!
- Deep Dive-School Data & Accountability-School Report Card Data- Embargo lifted on October 15th. Will share results at October Board Meeting along w/ Principal Goals
- SLO-Teacher Evaluations: Ongoing Observations for All- SLO Meetings scheduled last weeks of September
- Observations DAILY!
- EpiCenter Tasks
- CTE Budget and Purchasing
- Testing Compliance
- Federal Programs Training

- Principal's Chats w/ Students- Hot Topics: Senior Trip, new "routes" to class, and Warrior Week!
- Long Range Plans
- SLO's and LRP- Due this month from teachers!
- Development & PIP-Meetings for Warrior Madness, Coupon
- Book Sales, Raffle Ticket Sales, Ongoing campaigns, etc.
- MTSS- Friday Work Sessions- new procedures this year for those: EXCELLENT teacher feedback after first session!

Facilities

Building 120 Update

- Cafeteria Furniture-installed and we LOVE IT. But the wrong color "legs" on several tables. Corrected items are coming & will be installed at the same time as customized furniture.
- Customized Cafe Furniture-October 2025
- Painting downstairs of Building 120 (halls) over Fall Break
- Parent "painting" Project- volunteers painting offices and teacher classrooms
- College Seminar- Feedback from students who are in college seminars; ordering furniture this month! The check presentation from SC Children's Fund is Thursday, September 18, 2025.

SLC Lobby Project

- Design option review; projected completion date: end of December 2025.

Facilities Updates

- Roof Leak- To correct, new floors in the downstairs room (currently being used for storage, too small for classroom) will be removed to fix the interior gutter causing the leak.
- Part-Time Custodian Hired- working well so far
- Dumpster Needed- GTC does not want a permanent dumpster outside Bldg 120.
- Building 120 did not pass final inspection- Triangle working to correct all those items. Will send a report to the Facilities Committee.

Transfer of Ownership Update

- Survey ordered of Building 120- needed for the closing documents.
- Closing tentatively scheduled for end of September 2025 (Building 119 and 120)
- Charter Loan Closing tentatively scheduled first of October 2025.

Finance

- Cash Balances as of August
 - School Operating: \$ 779,089
 - HomeTrust Capt. Campaign \$ 35,999
 - Restricted Bldg Collateral Acct \$ 273,511
 - *CD matured 7/2/25 funds put in building account
 - SC Local Govt Investment Pool \$ 311,709
 - SC Local Govt Investment Endowment \$ 528,033
 - Loan Payment (P&I) \$ 38,000
 - Loan Balance Outstanding \$6,627,826
 - 20-year loan, matures 7/10/2040
 - Balloon payment of \$2,840,539
 - Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit \$2,000,000

- Audit–Due October 15, 2025
- Revenue confirmations for 2024-25 received & sent to the auditor. No concerns of completion.
- October Board Meeting will include a proposal to amend FY26 budget; evaluate if additional increase to teacher salary is feasible (will present in October to Finance Committee); all CTE budgets (revised due to state department error) were submitted on time.

Development

- 100% of Board Members participation in Annual Campaign contributions
- As of the end of August, we had already raised over \$20,000 in received donations–this does not include “pledged” donations.
- We kicked off “staff giving” at the September faculty meeting. Currently, 86% of staff have pledged to give to the Annual Campaign. Highest ever percentage of staff giving.
- Coupon Book Sales Fundraiser ended Monday, September 15, 2025. Next up, Warrior Raffle.

Chairman’s Report: - Chris Loewer reported. Thank you to everyone who needed the state required board training. Everyone required to attend has completed the training and certificates have been received.

Executive Committee Report - Chris Loewer reported. No meeting, no report

Finance Committee Report - Chad Davis report. The Committee met on Tuesday, September 9, 2025. Looking forward to the loan closing to pay Triangle’s bill. The Committee will be reviewing the teachers’ salaries gap. Greenville County School District gave teachers an additional \$1,300 on top of the step increase. GTCHS teachers received the step increase only. Approximately a \$60,000 cost to the school to cover the gap.

Secretary’s Report - Uta Samuel was absent. No report.

Administration/Governance Committee - Bob Ground reported. The Committee continues to review the older policies. Mr. Ground sent board members the revised/updated policies to review prior to the monthly meeting.

Academic Excellence Committee - Mary Brantley reported. No meeting, no report.

Appeals/Grievance Committee Report - Uta Samuel was absent. No appeals and no report.

Facilities Committee (Maintenance and Supervision) Report - Chris Jonker reported. Mr. Jonker and Yon Radford, Facilities Manager, walked through the new construction and are developing a list of modifications that need to be completed. Once the list is completed, they will meet with Triangle Construction.

Development & Endowment Committee - Ms. Baird reported. No report. No meeting.

ITEMS REFERRED TO PRINCIPAL FOR REVIEW AND/OR RECOMMENDATION:

- Creating a Board Meeting Livestreaming Policy to be sent to Governance Committee

ITEMS PENDING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS OR BOARD REFERRALS:

- Development of a Board Live Streaming Policy

ITEMS REFERRED TO BOARD COMMITTEES FOR REVIEW OR RECOMMENDATION:

- None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- None

ACTION ITEMS:

- The Board unanimously approved to accept the first reading of the following board policies: BK, BJ, BIE, BIA/BIB, BHC, BGC, BG, BEDM, CCB, CH, CBI as recommended by the Governance Committee.
- Mr. Davis motioned to change the GTCHS Board of Director's October meeting date to October 28, 2025, due to Fall Break. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- September 18, 2025 - SC Children's Fund check presentation at 10:00 a.m.
- October 28, 2025 - Board Meeting 6:00 p.m.
- October 28, 2025 - International Culture Night at GTCHS 6:30 p.m.
- December 3-5, 2025 - PCSASC Annual Conference in Hilton Head, SC

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Ground and seconded by Mr. Davis. Motion to adjourn carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

Mr. Chris Loewer, Chairman
GTCHS Board of Directors

ATTEST: _____
Ms. Uta Samuel, Secretary
GTCHS Board of Directors