



GCA BOARD REDACTED MINUTES

April 10, 2023

6:30 PM

Closed Meeting

1. **Call to order** was made by Dan Keiser.
2. **Roll Call** – Leah Latshaw, Tim Martin, Steve Hitchcock, Dan Keiser, Brad Pilkington, Clay Jenkins, Debbie Patton, Head of School Josh Sexton.
3. **Prayer and Devotion** – Tim Martin

Item 2 of the **Board Policy Manual, Governance Process, Policy 2.2** under **“Board Job Description”** states:

“The board will determine interpretation of spiritual matters and be the guardians of the organization’s permeation of biblical worldview in all areas.”

Scriptures to support the mandate of the board remaining vigilant in guarding GCA from unbiblical influences were cited: Gen 3:1-7, 2 Pet:1-2, Matt 18:5-7. Definitions and terms were discussed that illustrated a wide-reaching intrusion of non-biblical concepts and practices into the church at large and Christian education organizations, manifested by the active and widely adopted “Emergent Church Movement”. The ECM, in efforts to be “more relevant” and with the stated goal to reach our postmodern culture, has embraced and espoused pantheistic (God is in all), pluralistic (all religions lead to God), and moral relativism (no objective truth or right and wrong), to be seeker-sensitive, albeit using Christian terminology. A key term to indicate the espousing of this philosophy and “theology” is “Spiritual Formation”. Alarming, some speakers and employees of ACSI have been trained and have experience and formal education in this same “Spiritual Formation”. (Details were shared.) This was not presented as a denunciation of all things ACSI, but rather an exhortation to be “Bereans” as Paul wrote in Acts 17:11. The call to the GCA Board is to be vigilant and sensitized to this influence so as to thwart efforts to bring this or any other false teaching to GCA’s environment and worldview, including from ACSI. In the board meeting it was also asked; How do we practically accomplish the goal of being “guardians”? This needs further discussion and a formal vehicle to know we are accomplishing this responsibility.

4. **Prayer Requests**
5. **A motion to approve the minutes from the meeting on March 13, 2023 was made by Clay Jenkins and seconded by Leah Latshaw. The vote to approve the motion passed.**

6. Enter votes from March 13, 2023 meeting into the record:

None

7. Enter email votes into the record:

None

8. Student Leadership Presentation – None

9. Faculty Presentation – None

10. Administrative Presentation – None

11. Financial Report

a. Financial report

b. See attached

12. Approve financial report

a. **A motion to approve the financial report was made by Brad Pilkington and seconded by Tim Martin. The vote to approve the motion passed.**

13. Finance Committee

a. Financial Report

GCA School Board Meeting
Treasurer's Report

Financials are for period ending February, 2023

Cash Review

- Total Cash on hand was **\$933,272**
- We have designated and restricted assets of **\$873,038**
- Leaving us with **\$60,234** of operating cash available

Income Statement Summary

	February			2022-2023		
	Actual	Budget	Var to Budget	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Var to Budget
Total						
Income	\$261,202	\$232,045	\$29,157	\$1,562,676	\$1,460,293	\$102,383
Expenses	\$206,596	\$189,863	\$16,733	\$1,541,460	\$1,444,101	\$97,359
Subtotal	\$54,606	\$42,182	\$12,424	\$21,216	\$16,192	\$5,024
Capital Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$29,221	\$0	\$29,221
Net Operating Income	\$54,606	\$42,182	\$12,424	(\$8,005)	\$16,192	(\$24,197)
Auxiliary Funds						
Income	\$32,957	\$21,896	\$11,061	\$170,748	\$175,168	(\$4,420)
Expenses	\$32,957	\$25,068	\$7,889	\$170,748	\$174,307	(\$3,559)
Net Income	\$0	(\$3,172)	\$3,172	\$0	\$861	(\$861)
Without Aux						
Income	\$228,245	\$210,149	\$18,096	\$1,391,928	\$1,285,125	\$106,803
Expenses	\$173,639	\$164,795	\$8,844	\$1,399,933	\$1,269,794	\$130,139
Net Income	\$54,606	\$45,354	\$9,252	(\$8,005)	\$15,331	(\$23,336)

14. Education Committee

- a. Leah Latshaw, Chair
- b. Next meeting Tuesday night, April 11th

15. Advancement Committee

- a. Debbie Patton, Chair
- b. Current focus is the weekly Auction Committee meeting. Sponsor funds committed to date is \$41,000. Last year at this stage was \$43,000.

16. Athletic Committee (Ad Hoc)

- a. Dan Keiser, Chair
- b. Did Not Meet
- c. Phil is closing in on athletic history document for banners in gym. Per Dan, Phil has done an amazing job thus far with this history.

17. Facilities Committee

- a. Dan Keiser, Chair
- b. Received budget from Shaw Mechanical for AC in remaining areas of gym
- c. Recommending Expanding committee to include 5th Street, Assist HOS with SHBC Usage Agreement, and Future Facilities

18. Board Development Committee

- a. Brad Pilkington, Chair

19. Administrator Report - Josh Sexton – Head of School

- a. See attached

20. Old Business

- a. Athletic Logo Committee met with Timberline, offered suggestions/comments, and are waiting for next pass. We are pausing and preparing for roll out which requires proper timing and budget.
- b. Transparency and Reporting to our Community (Parents, Community, Alumni) (purpose: vision casting to community, awareness of current events)– brainstorming ideas: communication process, newsletter, annual report, townhalls, closed meetings, social media, staff presentation, admin presentation, etc.
- c. Follow up on Parent Volunteer Group (formerly Fan Club, could be called Parent Council or similar, could fulfill functions like opening night, coordinate volunteers, teacher appreciation, etc.) – Could live in Advancement Committee? Or Executive Committee
- d. Update on 5th St Roof Contract – Materials are ordered, Replacement will begin when weather breaks
- e. Report of Policy 1.5 from Education Committee
- f. Review Emergency Succession Plan
- g. Exec Committee to Review Policy 3.4 and Lee and Leah
- h. Plan for getting 3-month reserve in place by Finance Committee
- i. Exec Committee to Review Language of Policy 4.3
- j. Exec Committee to Review Language of Policy 4.4.10, 15, 16 – refer back to Policy 2.1.10
- k. Exec Committee to Review Language of Policy 4.5.4

- I. Review and Approve Facility Use Agreement
- m. Facility (5th Street Gym) Use by outside entities
- n. Teacher Appreciation Week - May 1st to 5th

21. New Business

- a. Review 990

22. Parking Lot Item

- a. Expand the list of colleges in the front lobby to properly reflect the accomplishments of our students (7.6.2020) – In process
- b. We need the list of GCA parents and their skills, interests, for committee involvement (7.25.2020)
- c. Gym use for Homeschool and Churches - Communicate (7.25.2020)
- d. Select all students for leadership development opportunities - focus groups, etc. not just the known leaders (7.25.2020)
- e. Parent education regarding the role of the school board, administration (7.25.2020)
- f. Provide parent education and resources to connect to core values and philosophy of education (7.25.2020)
- g. Last 2 years of accomplishments - Communicate (7.25.2020)
- h. Consider professional design and printing of our core values to be posted on classrooms (7.25.2020) – In process

23. Meeting Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Martin