

The Collegiate School Board Meeting Summary

Date: February 6, 2025

In attendance:

Director Debbi Whitaker

Students Landon Martin & Connor Pickard, Ryan Morales

Community Members: Erin Pickard, Donnie Chapman

Board Members: President Dr. Gillian Gregory, Dr. Tyler Towne, Dr. Kevin Forehand, Dr. Irvin Clark, Mr. Joey Ginn, Ms. Lori Morgan

1. Director's Report

- Enrollment Update: Over 150 applications for Fall 2025.
 - Current Enrollment: 95 ninth graders and 84 tenth graders.
 - Articulation agreement with FSU regarding ninth and tenth grade requirements.
 - Overview of AP and Dual Enrollment course availability.
- Career and Technical Certifications: Students are obtaining certifications in Python, Adobe, Microsoft, WordPress, and Biomedical.
 - Biomedical certification is still in progress.
 - Website updates will highlight Career and Technical certification opportunities.
- Military Student Support:
 - 35% of students are military-connected.
 - Recognized as a Purple Star School by Bay Veterans Council.
 - Eligible for the Federal Impact Aid Grant.
- Recruiting & Events:
 - Upcoming events include the lottery drawing and Dean's Breakfast.
 - First day of school: August 11, 2025.
- Space and Transportation:
 - Looking to expand space on the PC campus.
 - Collaboration with Bay District Schools for student transportation.

2. Financial Report (Presented by Susan McNeil)

- November Report:
 - No changes reported.
 - Motion to approve by Dr. Clark; seconded by Dr. Forehand.
 - Board approved unanimously.
- December Report:
 - No changes due to the short month.
 - Motion to approve by Dr. Clark; seconded by Dr. Forehand.
 - Board approved unanimously.

3. Salary Allocation Plan

- Retroactive approval for a 1.07% increase (\$12,696) distributed to five teachers.
- No additional salary increases; teachers already earn above the base salary for Bay District Schools.
- Teacher recognition funds distributed as a one-time allocation.

- Motion to approve by Dr. Forehand; seconded by Dr. Schoen.
- Board approved unanimously.

4. Clay Shooting Club Presentation

- Presented by: Coach Donnie Chapman and students Landon Martin & Connor Pickard.
- Key Points:
 - Club organized under the Scholastic Clay Target Program (SCTP).
 - All firearms and ammunition are stored at shooting locations.
 - Liability coverage of \$10 million.
 - No physicals required; parents provide transportation.
 - Safety protocols in place, including background checks for adults and removal of students with behavioral issues.
- Costs: \$135, covering six practice sessions, uniforms, and range fees.
- Motion to approve by Dr. Clark; seconded by Dr. Forehand.
- Board approved unanimously.
- Plans to establish a Parent Advisory Board, including Mrs. Pickard. No opposition to this proposal.

5. Open Forum

- Dr. Clark commended TCS students for their engagement at the FSU PC campus.
- Dir. Whitaker has prepared the 501(c)(3) application and will send it for review.
- Motion to adjourn by Dr. Clark; seconded by Dr. Forehand.
- Meeting adjourned.