A joint work session meeting of the Gloucester County School Board and the Gloucester County Board of Supervisors was held on Thursday, March 26, 2015, in the Thomas Calhoun Walker Education Center Auditorium at 7:00 pm.

I. CALL TO ORDER OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND ROLL CALL -- The Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Present for the Board of Supervisors were: Ashley C. Chriscoe, Chairperson, Phillip N. Bazzani, Christopher A. Hutson, Andrew James, Jr., John C. Meyer, Jr., Robert J. Orth, and Michael R. Winebarger, Members.

II. CALL TO ORDER OF SCHOOL BOARD AND ROLL CALL -- The Chairperson of the School Board called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm. Roll call was taken by the Deputy Clerk, and the following persons were recorded as present: Troy M. Andersen, Chairperson, George R. (Randy) Burak, Carla B. Hook, Anita F. Parker, Charles B. Records, and Kevin M. Smith, Members. Kimberly (Kim) E. Hensley, Member, was absent.

A copy of the agenda for the joint meeting is attached to the minutes.

III. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE -- Mr. Smith led those present in the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

IV. REGULAR AGENDA

A. GLOUCESTER COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS STATE OF THE SCHOOL SYSTEM – Mr. Andersen welcomed all those in attendance and thanked the Board of Supervisors for agreeing to hold a joint meeting. He stated that the School Board and staff would provide a two-fold presentation during the evening. The first presentation will show data regarding school accreditation and its impact on public education in Gloucester County. The second presentation will focus on the FY2016 proposed school budget.

SCHOOL ACCREDITATION – Dr. Clemons and staff presented data relating to State and Federal accreditation requirements. Highlights of the presentation focused on accreditation ratings, Annual Measurable Objectives, current status of accreditation of schools in Gloucester County, school division performance goals and indicators, high school rankings for Gloucester and comparable school divisions, and strategies for improvement. Members of the Board of Supervisors were given the opportunity to ask questions and receive answers regarding the accreditation of schools. Mr. Chriscoe requested that information be provided on the cost to the school division to administer the State required SOL tests. (Copy of presentation VA & GCPS Accreditation Reports attached to minutes)

At 8:48 pm, the Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors called for a brief recess. The meeting was resumed at 9:04 pm.

B. SCHOOL BOARD’S RECOMMENDED FY2016 BUDGET – Dr. Clements and staff presented an update on the proposed FY2016 School Budget. (Copy of presentation attached to minutes) Members of the Board of Supervisors were given the opportunity to ask questions and receive answers regarding the budget.

At 10:50 pm, a motion was made by Ms. Parker, seconded by Mr. Records and unanimously approved to extend the School Board meeting beyond 11:00 pm.
At 10:55 pm, the Board of Supervisors voted to extend the meeting beyond 11:00 pm.

Dr. Clemons provided a summary of the budget and funding appropriation requests.

Mr. Meyer requested that additional information be provided on how the School Board would revise the budget if it were not fully funded.

Members of both Boards had the opportunity to make closing comments and agreed that it had been a productive and informative meeting.

V. CALL FOR ADJOURNMENT

At 11:37 pm, there being no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Parker, seconded by Mr. Smith, and unanimously approved to adjourn the work session meeting of the School Board until the next monthly School Board meeting on Tuesday, April 14, 2015, 7:00 pm @ the Thomas Calhoun Walker Education Center (Auditorium).

The meeting of the Board of Supervisors was adjourned at 11:38 pm.

By: ______________________________________
    Troy M. Andersen, Chairperson

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    Betty Jane Duncan, Deputy Clerk

ATTACHMENTS (3)

1. Agenda – Joint Budget Work Session – 03-26-2015
2. VA & GCPS Accreditation Reports
3. Presentation on FY2016 School Budget