

GLOUCESTER COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD SPECIAL MEETING

**MINUTES OF THE  
GLOUCESTER COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD  
GLOUCESTER, VIRGINIA 23061  
March 29, 2021**

A Gloucester County School Board special meeting was held on Monday, March 29, 2021 in the auditorium at Gloucester High School. Robin Rice, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

- I. **ROLL CALL** – Roll call was taken by the clerk, and the following persons were recorded as present: Robin M. Rice, Chairperson, Troy M. Andersen, Brenda F. Mack, Anita F. Parker, and Daren P. Post, Members. Elisa A. Nelson, Vice-Chairperson and George R. (Randy) Burak, Member, were absent from the meeting.
- II. **MOTION TO ALLOW ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS** – Mr. Andersen made a motion to allow electronic participation of school board members Anita Parker and Brenda Mack. Mr. Post seconded the motion, with all members present approving unanimously.
- III. **MOMENT OF SILENCE/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Mrs. Rice led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, followed by a moment of silence.
- IV. **ADDITIONS/CHANGES/ADOPTION OF AGENDA** – Dr. Walter Clemons, Superintendent, recommended the addition of “Item VI – Spring Semester 2021 Calendar Adjustment” with current agenda items to follow. Mr. Post asked to add discussion regarding the request for an opinion from the Attorney General’s office on the use of sales tax. Mrs. Parker made a motion to approve the agenda with the recommended changes. Ms. Mack seconded the motion, with all members present approving unanimously.  
  
*Mrs. Rice informed the board and public of a hard end time for this meeting due to the room being reserved at 7:00 p.m.*
- V. **FY’22 BUDGET DISCUSSION** – Dr. Clemons and the Executive Leadership Team asked the School Board to amend the FY’22 recommend budget to reflect the full scale renovation for Gloucester High School. The current \$126,947,984 budget request would become \$159,793,487. Of that, \$53,922,648 is in the CIP budget, which would increase to \$86,768,151. Prior to discussion, Mrs. Rice indicated this item would only be discussed this evening, however without all members present, she did not feel action should be taken.
- VI. **SPRING SEMESTER 2021 CALENDAR ADJUSTMENT** – Dr. Chuck Wagner, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction, informed the board of a minor adjustment to the calendar approved earlier this year. Due to the recent return of hybrid students on April 19, the two Wednesdays in June (June 2/June 9) will become asynchronous days now that more students are back to in person learning. The last day of instruction for the third quarter will be moved to Wednesday, April 14, which is the last asynchronous instructional day. Action was postponed until the April 13, 2021 regular monthly meeting.
- VII. **FOLLOW-UP REGARDING INQUIRY WITH ATTORNEY GENERAL** – Mr. Post asked if a response had been received from the Attorney General regarding the use of the sales tax. Mrs. Rice indicated it had not and could take four to six months. Mr. Post also questioned the timeline inquiries were made on behalf of the School Board regarding the sales tax.

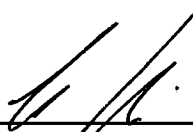
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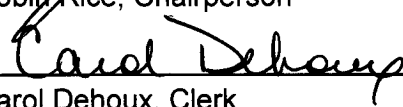
**VIII. PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Mrs. Rice made the following announcements:

- A. Monday, April 5 – Friday, April 9, 2021, Spring Break – Division Closed
- B. Tuesday, April 13, 2021 – Next monthly School Board Meeting @ 5:30 p.m. – Gloucester High School Auditorium

Mr. Andersen added the Board of Supervisors will hold a town hall at Botetourt Elementary School tomorrow, March 30, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

**IX. CALL FOR ADJOURNMENT** - At 6:28 p.m., there being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Andersen seconded by Ms. Mack, and unanimously approved to adjourn the special meeting of March 29, 2021, until the School Board Monthly Meeting on Tuesday, April 13, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. at Gloucester High School (Auditorium).

  
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Robin Rice, Chairperson

  
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Carol Dehoux, Clerk