

**MINUTES OF THE  
GLOUCESTER COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD  
GLOUCESTER, VIRGINIA 23061**

**August 23, 2021**

A Gloucester County School Board Work Session was held on Thursday, August 23, 2021 in the Thomas Calhoun Walker Education Center Auditorium. Robin Rice, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

- I. **ROLL CALL** – Roll call was taken by the clerk, and the following persons recorded as present: Robin M. Rice (Chairperson), Troy M. Andersen, George R. (Randy) Burak, Anita F. Parker, and Daren P. Post, Members. Elisa Nelson (Vice-Chairperson) was absent.
- II. **MOTION TO ALLOW ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER/S**  
Mrs. Parker made a motion to allow electronic participation of School Board member Brenda Mack. The motion was seconded by Mr. Burak and approved 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** – There were no recommended changes to the agenda. Mr. Andersen made a motion to accept the agenda as presented, which was seconded by Mr. Burak and approved unanimously.
- V. **RESCINDING OF THE 2014 SCHOOL BOARD RESOLUTION REGARDING THE USAGE OF RESTROOM FACILITIES IN ALIGNMENT WITH THE U.S. FOURTH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS RULING** – Mrs. Rice presented a recap of the timeline regarding the Grimm vs. Gloucester County School Board court case that began almost seven years ago and was recently denied by the Supreme Court. After a brief discussion, Mr. Andersen made a motion to rescind the 2014 School Board Resolution regarding the usage of restroom facilities in order to be in alignment with the U.S. Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals Ruling. Ms. Mack seconded the motion, which passed in a 5/1 poll vote.


Mr. Andersen	AYE	Mr. Post	NAY
Mr. Burak	AYE	Mrs. Nelson	ABSENT
Ms. Mack	AYE	Mrs. Rice	AYE
Mrs. Parker	AYE		
- VI. **PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Mrs. Rice read the following public announcements:
  - A. Tuesday – Thursday, August 24 – 26, 2021, School Open Houses
  - B. Monday, August 30, 2021, First day of the 2021-22 School Year
  - C. Friday, September 3 and Monday, September 6, 2021 – Division Closed for Labor Day Holiday
  - D. Tuesday, September 14, 2021, Monthly School Board Meeting at 6:00 p.m. – Thomas Calhoun Walker Education Center Auditorium
- VII. **CALL FOR CLOSED MEETING** – At 6:12 p.m., Mrs. Parker made a motion to call for Closed Meeting pursuant to **Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, Section 2.2-3711, (A), Subsection 1**, for the discussion of **personnel matters** (monthly appointments, resignations, etc.) Mr. Andersen seconded the motion with all members in favor.
- VIII. **RETURN TO OPEN MEETING/CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING** – At 6:24 p.m. a motion was made by Mrs. Parker to reconvene the meeting into open session and certify that the Gloucester County School Board, while in closed session, discussed only public matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements provided in Subsection A of Section 2.2-3711; and that only public business matters that were identified in the motion convening the closed session were heard, discussed or considered. The motion was seconded by Mr. Burak and approved unanimously.

GLOUCESTER COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD WORK SESSION

- IX. PERSONNEL ITEMS** – A motion was made by Mr. Burak, seconded by Mr. Andersen and adopted to approve the monthly listing of personnel appointments, resignations, etc.
- X. CALL FOR ADJOURNMENT** – At 6:26 p.m., there being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Burak, seconded by Mr. Post and approved to adjourn the Work Session Meeting of August 23, 2021, until the Monthly School Board Meeting on September 14, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the Thomas Calhoun Walker Education Center auditorium.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Robin Rice, Chairperson

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Carol Dehoux, Clerk

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Chuck Wagner, Acting Clerk

**Attachments (2):**

1. Approved Personnel Agenda
2. Alternate Proposed Educational Resolution
3. Presentation regarding history of 2014 School Board Resolution/Court Case