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Highlights from the January 13, 2021 Board Meeting

Oath of Office Ceremony Held

At a ceremony preceding the Informal Board Meeting, newly elected and re-elected members of the Board took the Oath of Office. The Honorable Tammy Stokes, Chief Judge of Chatham County Recorder's Court, officiated the swearing in of District 1 School Board Representative Denise Grabowski, District 2 School Board Representative Dr. Dionne Hoskins-Brown, District 3 School Board Representative Cornelia Hall and District 7 School Board Representative Michael Johnson.



Mission
*To ignite a passion for learning
and teaching at high levels.*

FY 2022 Budget Process Update

At the Informal Meeting of the Board, Division of Finance staff presented an update on the FY2022 Budget Process. The presentation addressed declining enrollment and how that will affect district revenue as well as the FY 2021-2022 Budget Calendar.

<http://go.boarddocs.com/ga/scs/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BWERQ969D3F0>

Exemplary Board of Distinction

At the Formal Meeting of the Board, it was announced that the Savannah-Chatham County Board of Public Education has received notification from the Georgia School Boards Association, at their virtual Annual Conference on December 4, 2020, that the Board remains in compliance with the "Standards for Local Boards of Education" and has achieved the "Exemplary Board of Distinction" award through January 1, 2022.

<http://go.boarddocs.com/ga/scs/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BWERJ669AB7E>



Vision
*From school to the world.
All students prepared for
productive futures.*

SCHOOL BOARD

Dr. Joe Buck
President

Denise Grabowski
District 1

Dr. Dionne Hoskins-Brown
District 2

Cornelia H. Hall
District 3

Shawn A. Kachmar
Vice President
District 4

Irene Hines
District 5

Dr. David Bringman
District 6

Michael Johnson
District 7

Dr. Tonia Howard-Hall
Vice President Pro-Tempore
District 8

Superintendent's COVID-19 Operational Update

An Operational Update was provided during the Superintendent's Report to the Board to include District updates for second semester. A review of current COVID-19 Transmission Rates was also covered.

<http://go.boarddocs.com/ga/scs/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BWERJD69AB85>

District SY 2020-21 Assessment Calendar Amendment Number Two Approved

During the December 9, 2020, Board meeting, changes to the published assessment calendar were ratified for approval as a result of the Georgia Department of Education's implementation of SB 367 and the COVID-19 pandemic. These adjustments were made as part of a collaborative effort between the department of Accountability, Assessment, and Reporting Services; the Associate Superintendents; and school principals. Since that time, two additional modifications were necessary to increase the flexibility of the GMAS EOG and EOC test administrations and an update was provided to clarify requirements for the MAP end of year window.

<http://go.boarddocs.com/ga/scs/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BWERS76F5AAF>

Policy Adopted

Policy DJAA-Authorized Signatures has been modified due to changes that are needed as a result of the conversion to a new business information system (MUNIS). This update was presented as a First Read at the December 2020 meeting of the Board and was adopted at the January meeting following a second read.

<http://go.boarddocs.com/ga/scs/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BWERJT69AB93>

First Reads

Policy JD-Student Discipline has been updated to account for alternative placement in instances when there is a basis for taking appropriate safety precautions. The revisions and recommendations have been reviewed by the Board Attorney and the Superintendent and were presented for first reading.

<http://go.boarddocs.com/ga/scs/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BWERJT69AB93>

Policy DJE-Purchasing has been modified due to changes that are needed as a result of the conversion to a new business information system (MUNIS). The revisions and recommendations have been reviewed by the Board Attorney and the Superintendent and are being presented for first reading.

<http://go.boarddocs.com/ga/scs/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BWERJW69AB96>

Policy FG-Facilities Projects Administration has been modified due to changes that are needed as a result of the conversion to a new business information system (MUNIS). The revisions and recommendations have been reviewed by the Board Attorney and the Superintendent and are being presented for first reading.

<http://go.boarddocs.com/ga/scs/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BWERJZ69AB99>

Policy IFAA, Administrative Regulation IFAA-R Instructional Materials Selection and Adoption Pursuant to Board Policy BDE-Policy Review, District Administration has reviewed Board Policy IFAA-Instructional Materials Selection and Adoption along with the supporting regulation. Changes were made in part due to the conversion to the new MUNIS business system, and to reflect current employee roles and responsibilities. The revisions have been reviewed by the Board Attorney and the Superintendent and were presented for first reading.

<http://go.boarddocs.com/ga/scs/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BWERK469AB9C>

Regulation Update

Policy Regulation GBRK-R Professional Personnel Vacations (Four Year Review)

Pursuant to Board Policy BDE- Policy Review, District Administration has reviewed Board Regulation GBRK-R Professional Personnel Vacations and has determined a need for changes. The regulation was updated to reflect current procedures and changes to position names.

<http://go.boarddocs.com/ga/scs/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BWXS2G6D364C>

Election of Board Officers

With the start of the new year, new Board Officers were elected. Those elected to one year terms as officers of the Board are:

Vice President – Shawn Kachmar

Vice President Pro-Tempore Dr. Tonia Howard-Hall

<http://go.boarddocs.com/ga/scs/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BWERK769AB9F>

Board Meeting Calendar for 2021 Adopted

The calendar of Board Meetings for 2021 was presented and adopted by Board Members.

<http://go.boarddocs.com/ga/scs/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BWERSL6AB050>

Committee Appointments

The Board President announced the 2021 Committee Appointments and Delegate & Liaison Appointments.

<http://go.boarddocs.com/ga/scs/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=BWERSM6AB1EA>

Upcoming Meetings

BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING INSTRUCTIONAL LEARNING MODELS

Thursday, January 21, 2021 - 3:00PM-5:00PM

Whitney Administrative Complex

2 Laura Avenue

CIC COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, February 10, 2021 - 9:00 AM

TBA