

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Barnwell School District 45 Board of Trustees.

**TIME:** 7:00 p.m., Thursday, February 9, adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

**PLACE:** Board Room at 770 Hagood Ave.

**PRESENT:**

**Board of Trustees:** Teresa Spence-Chair; Rhett Richardson, Vice-Chair; Abraham Sexton, Clerk; Valenda Black, Member; Rosey Anderson, Member

**District Office:** J.H. Grissom, Superintendent; Crissie Stapleton, Assistant-Superintendent; Steven Strother, CFO; Jon Burdge, HR Director; Bill Wingard, Technology Director; Kelly Shealy, Curriculum Support Coach; Tim Hicks, Grants; Rachel Wall, Curriculum Director; Craig Hart, Director of Auxiliary Services

**BPS:** Donna Selvey, Principal; Kay Gooding, Assistant-Principal

**BES:** Carolyn Anderson, Principal, Randy Wood, Assistant-Principal

**GBMS:** Jessica Brabham-James; Sherry Cooler, Guidance

**BHS:** Franklin McCormack Principal;

**Support Staff:**

**Other:** The PEOPLE SENTINEL, Jonathan Vickery;

The agenda for the meeting was as follows:

**OPENING BUSINESS**

1. Teresa Spence-chairman called the meeting to order. Mr. Sexton delivered the Reflection. Mrs. Black led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Superintendent Grissom announced that local media had received notice of the meeting as required by the Freedom of Information Act.
2. The Board unanimously approved the agenda. (Sexton, Anderson)
3. There were no requests to be heard by the public.

**ACCOUNTABILITY**

A. Recognition

1. Mrs. Cooler recognized the GBMS Jr. Scholars. Each student listed received a Collegiate Dictionary from the District. James Boone, Alyssa Buckmon, Emma Grace Chambers, Reagan Martin, Lauren Nobles, Cameron Porter, Laney Stevens

B. Information

**ADVOCACY**

**BASIC STRUCTURE**

Action

1. The Board unanimously approved the January 12, 2017 Board Work Session Minutes (Richardson, Sexton)
2. The Board unanimously approved the January 12, 2017 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. (Richardson, Sexton)
3. The Board unanimously approved the December financial report. (Black, Anderson)
4. The first reading of Policy IKE (Promotion and Retention Policy)
5. Students A and B were approved to attend in Barnwell. (Sexton, Richardson)
6. Student A was approved to attend school in Orangeburg. (Richardson, Sexton)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Dr. Richardson-** congratulated the Jr. Scholars. He stated his appreciation for the work Mr. Grissom has done and wished him well in the future.

**Ms. Black-** congratulated the Jr. Scholars and their parents. She also reminded everyone of the AdvancEd visit and thanked everyone for their hard work in preparing.

**Mr. Sexton-** is proud of the students, teachers, and parents of the Jr. Scholars, stating that all were responsible for their success. He expressed his appreciation for Mr. Grissom and wished him well in the future.

**Ms. Anderson-** congratulated the Jr. Scholars, especially those who did well in math. She also thanked the parents and teachers for their support. She reminded everyone of the softball and soccer games and encouraged everyone to attend. She wished Mr. Grissom well in the future.

**Ms. Spence-** She asked everyone to extend a smile for everyone they meet. She thanked everyone for attending. She congratulated the Jr. Scholars as well as their parents, teachers and grandparents.

The board unanimously approved a motion to enter into executive session at 8:08 pm, for Discussion of employment, appointment, compensation, promotion, demotion, discipline, or release of an employee, a student, or a person regulated by a public body or the appointment of a person to a public body; however, if an adversary hearing involving the employee or client is held, the employee or client has the right to demand that the hearing be conducted publicly. Nothing contained in this item shall prevent the public body, in its discretion, from deleting the names of the other employees or clients whose records are submitted for use at the hearing.

\*\*Note: Action may be taken at the end of the executive session. \*\*

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Chair

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Clerk