

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

**TIME:** 7:00 p.m., Thursday, September 14, 2017

**PLACE:** BES Multipurpose Room, 10524 Marlboro Ave. Barnwell, SC 29812

**PRESENT:**

**Board of Trustees:** Rhett Richardson-Chair; Rosey Anderson, Vice-Chair; Abraham Sexton, Clerk; Becky Huggins, Member; Felicia Devore, Member

**District Office:** Crissie Stapleton, Superintendent; Rachel Wall, Curriculum Director; Steven Strothers, CFO; Jon Burdge, HR Director; Kelly Shealy, Curriculum Support Coach; Linda Zionkowski, Federal Programs; Don Wical, IT Director; Linda Bell, HR Administrative-Assistant; Kristle Davis, Benefits Coordinator

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

**BES:** Carolyn Anderson, Principal; Kara Bolen, Assistant-Principal

**GBMS:** Jessica Brabham-James, Principal

**BHS:** Franklin McCormick, Principal

**Support Staff:**

**Other:** The People's Sentinel

The agenda for the meeting was as follows:

**OPENING BUSINESS**

1. Rhett Richardson, chairman, called the meeting to order. Mr. Sexton delivered the Reflection. Mrs. Devore led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Superintendent Stapleton 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. The Board unanimously approved to move Consent Agenda. (Huggins, Devore)
4. Mr. Lee spoke to the Board.

**ACCOUNTABILITY**

- A. Recognition
- B. Information

1. Mr. McCormack spoke about the opening of BHS. He mentioned the following highlights.
  - Their theme is "Collaboration." When one teaches, two learn.
  - Betty Bagley spoke to the faculty during the in-service week.
  - Lunch PD Plan
  - Red/White newsletter goes out every Friday.
  - McTeacher night was great.
  - Opening week pep rally at BES was successful.
  - The Grad walk will be held at BPS at the end of the year.
  - The 1<sup>st</sup> semester open house has been completed.
  - Parents have been able to see the chromebooks.
  - Teachers have their chromebooks. Students will receive theirs next week.
  - Mentor Program
  - Good start to fall sports.
  - New Faculty/Staff-Elaine Burdge, Emily Cobb, Jeanmarie McBride, Kristopher Morris (not present), Maria Osorio, Celia Racaza, Dawn Reitz (not present), Jessica Smalls, Ron Toth
2. Dr. Brabham-James spoke about the opening of GBMS. She mentioned the following highlights.
  - Their Theme is "Preparing Students to Walk In Their Destiny"
  - Read to Succeed
  - Building relationships, morale
  - Response to Intervention
  - One-to-One Initiative
  - Working to create a stronger culture.
  - Faculty did team building activities during the in-service week.
  - Registration was done prior to school starting.
  - Fashion show for the 7<sup>th</sup> grade so they would know the proper attire for school.
  - "The Chat" with 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders to discuss character and procedures.
  - Spanish Implementation

- Student Council Elections included voter registration.
  - New faculty/staff- Edna Searson, Jerry Lombardi, Jessica Ramsey-Sherbert (not present)
3. Dr. Anderson spoke about the opening of BES. She mentioned the following highlights.
- Their theme is “You’re an essential piece”
  - STEAM and STEM integrated.
  - Technology workshops
  - Pep rally with BHS
  - Faculty support group
  - More non-fiction texts
  - Small groups
  - Reading first thing every morning
  - Quarterly Awards
  - Character Ed
  - Clean Sweep for cleanest classroom
  - Implementing Honor Society
  - Reciting school pledge daily
  - New faculty/staff-Saundra White, Olympia Solomon, Salisa McTeer, Michaela Mitchell, Lorena Thomas, Jessica Ulmer, Dawn Reitz (not present)
4. Mrs. Selvey spoke about the opening of BPS. She mentioned the following highlights.
- Their theme is “Have You Filled a Bucket Today?”
  - Faculty did random acts of kindness.
  - Meet and Greet, about 90% of students represented.
  - Stuff the Bus
  - Practiced all emergency drills
  - Focusing on one-to-one training
  - PTO project is carline awnings
  - 21<sup>st</sup> Century begins Monday
  - Anti-bullying week was last week.
  - SLO’s are being completed.
  - Observations are ongoing
  - Student engagement PD
  - Sept 21 is McTeacher night
  - Donors Choice to get new classroom flags.
  - New faculty/staff- Elizabeth Hutson, Brittany Daniels, Brooke Davis, Sarah Miller, Joy Hewitt, Jill McCormick, Krysten Rimes (not present), Dana Perry (not present),

## **ADVOCACY**

### **BASIC STRUCTURE**

#### A. Action

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Dr. Richardson-** Thanked everyone and welcomed new staff.

**Mr. Sexton-** Thanked and welcomed everyone, especially the new staff.

**Ms. Anderson-** Thanked and welcomed everyone, especially the new staff.

**Ms. Devore-** Thanked and welcomed everyone, especially the new staff.

**Ms. Huggins-** Complimented Mr. McCormack on the stadium. Thanked the principals for their presentations.

### **Executive Session**

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. \*\***

The Board unanimously approved a motion to enter into executive session. (Sexton, Anderson)

The Board unanimously approved a motion to exit executive session. (Sexton, Devore)

No action taken.

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Chair

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Clerk