

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

**TIME:** 6:00 p.m., Thursday, January 11, 2018

**PLACE:** District Office Conference Room 770 Hagood Ave. Barnwell, SC 29812

**PRESENT:**

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

**District Office:** Crissie Stapleton, Superintendent; Rachel Wall, Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum Director; Steven Strothers, CFO; Kelly Shealy Curriculum Support Coach; Jaci Bearden, Administrative -Assistant; Craig Hart, Auxiliary Services; Jon Burdge, HR Director; Kim Rhoad, Special Services Director,

**BPS:** Donna Selvey, Principal

**BES:** Carolyn Anderson, Principal

**GBMS:** Jessica Brabham-James, Principal; Denise James, Assistant Principal

**BHS:** Franklin McCormick, Principal;

**Support Staff:**

**Other:** The People's Sentinel; Carrie Branch, student

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 the Consent Agenda. (Anderson, Sexton)
4. There were no requests from the public to be heard.

**ACCOUNTABILITY**

A. Recognition

1. For School Board Recognition Month each school presented the School Board members. The School Board members expressed their gratitude for all the gifts. BES had a special video presentation.

B. Information

1. Mrs. Stapleton gave the Board an update on the following:
  - The Strategic Plan Update where she discussed the methodology as well as:
    1. Leadership Capacity
    2. Teaching and Learning Impact
    3. Resource Utilization
  - 1-to-1 Initiative
  - Increasing opportunities for students
  - Enhancing Recruitment Efforts
  - Exhibiting Fiscal Responsibility
  - Plans for Facility Improvements
  - Improving Communication Practices

**BASIC STRUCTURE**

A. Action

1. Dr. Richardson read the Ethical Principals. Each Board member then signed the document which will be framed and placed in the Board Room.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Dr. Richardson-** Expressed his thanks to Kay Gooding for her excellent work on the Website. He also thanked Dr. Rachel Wall for adding the title and responsibilities for Assistant-Superintendent. He then thanked Mrs. Stapleton for her hard work.

**Mr. Sexton-** Thanks to everyone in attendance. He thanked the singers and said he wished he could see them in person.

**Ms. Anderson-** Thanks to all who attended the meeting. He wanted everyone to know he appreciates everything they do. He asked that Ms. Hair be told how well her students did

**Ms. Devore-** She thanked everyone for their hard work and all those in attendance. She thanked the schools for all the gifts.

**Ms. Huggins-** She thanked everyone for the recognition and gifts. She stated it felt good to be able to give something back to the schools.

### 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. **\*\***

1. Employee Appeal
2. Superintendent's Goals

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

The Board unanimously approved a motion to come out of executive session. (Sexton, Devore)

The Board unanimously approved a motion to uphold the Superintendent's decision concerning employ A. (Anderson, Sexton)

The Board unanimously approved Mrs. Stapleton's Goals. (Anderson, Devore)

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm

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Chair

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Clerk