

Minutes of a special meeting of the Barnwell School District 45 Board of Trustees

**TIME:** 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 23, 2019

**PLACE:** Conference Room, Barnwell School District 45, 770 Hagood Avenue, Barnwell, SC

**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 Strother, CFO; Kelly Shealy, Curriculum Support Coach; Jaci Bearden, Administrative Assistant;

**BPS:**

**BES:**

**GBMS:**

**BHS:** Franklin McCormack, Principal

**Support Staff:**

**Other:** Jonathan Vickery, The People Sentinel; Roger Riley, Emergency Management; Tim Bennett, County Administrator

The agenda for the meeting was as follows:

**OPENING BUSINESS**

1. Rhett Richardson, Chairman, called the meeting to order. Mr. Sexton, Clerk, 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. (Anderson, Sexton)

**ACCOUNTABILITY**

A. Recognition

B. Information

- a. Mrs. Stapleton read a letter awarding Barnwell School District 45 the Hazard Mitigation Grant (FEMA). She then shared an overview of the grant's development.

**BASIC STRUCTURE**

A. Action

- a. The Board unanimously approved the following motion. I make a motion to allow the Superintendent to act as the district's official representative for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program awarded to Barnwell School District 45 for the Barnwell School District Safe Room and to enter into an agreement, on the district's behalf, for the completion of this project. (Anderson, Devore)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Dr. Richardson-** Dr. Richardson stated that the original idea was Jay Grissom's, but without Mr. Riley and Mrs. Stapleton and others it would not have happened. He also thanked Mrs. Stapleton for helping put aside our 25%.

**Ms. Anderson-** Mrs. Anderson thanked Mr. Riley and Mrs. Stapleton for their work. She also stated, she is very excited.

**Mr. Sexton-** Mr. Sexton thanked Mr. Riley and Mrs. Stapleton. He said it is very exciting.

**Ms. Devore-** Mrs. Devore said this is very exciting news.

**Ms. Huggins-** Mrs. Huggins stated that persistence payed off.

The Board unanimously approved a motion to adjourn. (Sexton, Huggins)

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Chair

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Clerk