

Minutes of the Work/Planning Session of the Barnwell School District 45 Board of Trustees.

TIME: 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 7, 2015, adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

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

PRESENT:

Board of Trustees: Teresa Spence, Chair; Rhett Richardson, Vice-Chair; Abraham Sexton, Clerk; Valenda Black, Member;
District Office: J.H. Grissom, Superintendent; Jaci Bearden, Admin Assist; Margaret Matheny, Director of Human Resources;
Crissie Stephens, Director of Curriculum; Linda Zionkowski, Federal Program,; Kim Stokes, K-6 Curriculum Coordinator

BPS: Donna Selvey

BES: Sherry McIver

GBMS: Craig Hart

BHS: Jon Burdge

Other: Connie Jackson, Childs and Halligan

The agenda for the meeting was as follows:

1. Ms. Zionkowski explained the changes taking place in the ESOL requirements for the state and the effects it has on the district. Ms. Zionkowski requested the board approve the hiring of an ESOL teacher since we now have the number of students that require a teacher. A motion was made by Dr. Richardson and seconded by Ms. Black to hire an ESOL teacher. The motion carries unanimously.
2. Ms. Selvey, Ms. McIver, Mr. Hart and Mr. Burdge each gave the board an overview of their respective Strategic Plans. Each Strategic Plan addresses 3 areas student achievement, teacher and administrator quality, and school climate.
3. Ms. Stephens updated the board on the in-class testing that is being done in the schools, particularly the common assessments and benchmarks.
4. Ms. Kitchings presented a draft of the General Fund Budget. In order to make all salaries equitable in the future, Ms. Kitchings has prepared salary schedules for all positions not determined by the state. The salary schedules are being reviewed by the Board as a first reading.
5. Ms. Spence stated that there was a need for an executive session for a personnel matter and to receive legal advice. A motion was made by _____ and seconded by _____ that the board enter into executive session to discuss the personnel matter and receive legal advice. The motion carried unanimously.
6. A motion was made by Mr. Perry and seconded by Ms. Black that the board return to regular session. The motion carried unanimously.
7. The Board voted unanimously to approve the personnel report. (Black, Perry)
8. The Board voted unanimously to approve the re-election of certified employees. (Perry, Richardson)

Chair

Clerk