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

TIME: 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, December 15, 2015, adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

PLACE: Professional Development Room, 770 Hagood Ave, Barnwell, SC 29182

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; Crissie Stephens, Assistant-Superintendent; Margaret Matheny, Human Services Director; Steven Strother, CFO

BPS:

BES: Dr. Carolyn Anderson, Principal

GBMS:

BHS:

Other: Ken Childs; Connie Jackson, Legal

Opening Business

I. OPENING BUSINESS

1. Teresa Spence, chairman called the meeting to order. Mr. Sexton delivered the Reflection. 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 as read. (Richardson, Sexton)
3. There were no requests from the public to be heard.

Information

- Opening remarks were made by Mr. Grissom.
- The Board was presented an updated personnel report. The personnel was approved. (Richardson, Sexton)
- The following topics were discussed during the meeting.
 - Budget Considerations and Priorities-Mr. Grissom discussed Capital Gains.
 - Grants Updates
 - Danny Black- was unable to attend, but Mr. Grissom updated the Board on the areas that Mr. Black is helping with, which includes the career center and promise-zone.
 - Tim Hicks-shared information about some of the grants he is working on.
 - Alternative Education- Mr. Grissom introduced the idea of a Charter School/Alternative School which would be a stand-alone school, but part of the school district.
 - BES – 6th grade Assistance
 - Dr. Anderson/Ms. Stephens shared with the Board some of the strategies they are using with the 6th grade
 - Superintendent Evaluation Goals- The board went into executive session to meet with Ken Childs and Connie Jackson to discuss Mr. Grissom’s goals for the following year.
 - Need for Early Graduates policy- Mr. Grissom explained that because of the 4x4 block, some students would finish in January. However, there will only be one graduation in the spring.
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Chair

Clerk