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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Barnwell School District 45 Board of Trustees

TIME: 6:00 p.m., Thursday, March 12, 2020

PLACE: Conference Room, 770 Hagood Avenue 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, Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum Director; Steven Strother, CFO; Jon Burdge, HR Director; Kelly Shealy, Curriculum Coach; Jaci Bearden, IT Coach and Administrative Assistant; John Moody, IT Director; Teresa Zorn, Food Services Director

BPS:

BES: Kay Gooding, BES Principal

GBMS: Jessica Brabham-James, GBMS Principal

BHS: Franklin McCormack, Principal

Support Staff: DJ Washington, Transportation

Other: Jonathan Vickery, The People Sentinel

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. Huggins 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, Devore)
3. The Board unanimously approved the Consent Agenda. (Sexton, Huggins)
4. There was no hearing of the public.

ACCOUNTABILITY

A. Information

1. Michael Kroll representing the 2020 Census was unable to attend the Board Meeting.
2. Jaci Bearden updated the Board on the work of the Complete Counts Committee.
3. Crissie Stapleton presented District Updates.
 - a. Safety Trainings
 - b. Barnwell 45 Recruitment Day
 - c. STEM Lab Open House
 - d. Strategic Plans School Stakeholder Meetings
 - e. \$2,500.00 award in the No Kid Hungry SC Breakfast Challenge.
 - f. Emergency Plans for Covid-19 Pandemic

B. Recognition

1. Mr. Burdge introduced 2 new employees.
 - a. Rokeem Williams- Global Career Facilitator
 - b. Jackie Reed- Transportation
2. Mrs. Stapleton introduced John Haskell from the United Way. He informed the Board of the support the United Way had provided to Barnwell 45.
 - a. SRNS donated \$4000 to United Way, who in turn donated \$1000 to Barnwell 45.
 - b. Fluor donated book bags to United Way. Barnwell 45 received 16.

ADVOCACY

BASIC STRUCTURE

A. Action

1. The Board unanimously approved the Resolution for the Annual Capital Bond Issue. (Anderson, Sexton)
2. The Board unanimously approved March 31, 2020 for the Board Work Session. (Devore, Sexton)
3. The Board unanimously approved April 30, 2020, at 5:30 p.m. as the date and time of the April Board Meeting. (Devore, Sexton)

4. The Board unanimously approved the approval of the March Personnel Report following the executive session. (Anderson, Devore)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Richardson- Thanked the faculty and staff for all they are doing. John Haskell was thanked for his support of Barnwell 45 through the United Way. Dr. Richardson appreciated the fact that the District is taking the virus seriously but still remaining calm. Teresa Zorn was thanked for the grant.

Anderson- Thanked all for attending the Board Meeting. The new employees were welcomed. Everyone was reminded to wash their hands.

Sexton- Thanked everyone for all they do for Barnwell School District 45. Food Service was thanked for their hard work and for the grant.

Devore- Thanked everyone for attending the Board Meeting. Mr. Haskell was thanked for his support of the district through the United Way.

Huggins- Thanked everyone for attending. The community of Barnwell is appreciated and would benefit attending the Board Meeting so they would know all the good things happening in Barnwell School District 45.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The board unanimously approved a motion to enter executive session after a 5-minute break. (Anderson, Sexton) 6:45 p.m.

The board unanimously approved a motion to exit executive session. (Sexton, Devore) 7:05 p.m.

The board unanimously approved a motion to approve the March Personnel Report. (Sexton, Devore)

The Board unanimously approved a motion to adjourn. (Sexton, Anderson) 7:15 p.m.

Chair _____

Clerk _____