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

**TIME**: 6:00 p.m., Thursday, October 15, 2020

**PLACE**: Multipurpose Room, Barnwell Elementary School, 10524 Marlboro Ave., Barnwell, SC 29812 for Board Members; virtual for the public

PRESENT:

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

District Office: Crissie Stapleton, Superintendent; Rachel Wall, Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum Director; Jaci Bearden,

IT Coach and Administrative Assistant

**BPS:** Donna Selvey, Principal; Emily Coble, BPS Teacher of the Year **BES:** Kay Gooding, Principal; Micheala Mitchell, BES Teacher of the Year **GBMS:** Jon Burdge, Principal; Mandy Smith, GBMS Teachers of the Year **BHS:** Franklin McCormack, Principal; Keri Schneider, BHS Teacher of the Year

**Support Staff:** 

**Other:** Jonathan Vickery, Newspaper; Family Members of the Teachers of the Year

The agenda for the meeting was as follows:

#### **OPENING BUSINESS**

- 1. Mrs. Rosey Anderson, Chairman, called the meeting to order. Mr. Abraham Sexton, Clerk, delivered the reflection. Mrs. Felicia 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. (Richardson, Sexton)
- 3. The Board unanimously approved the Consent Agenda. (Huggins, Devore)
- 4. There was no hearing of the public.

#### **ACCOUNTABILITY**

### A. Information

- 1. Superintendent Stapleton presented the district updates.
  - a. The class of 1993 donated hand sanitizer in a warhorse holder and a sweet treat for each staff member.
  - b. Warhorse Strong Apparel is being sold with the proceeds going to district outreach.
  - c. ABii- Mr. Terry Richardson shared information about ABii robots with Mrs. Stapleton. The district will be joining a new study with VAN Robotics and will receive 8 ABii robots.
  - d. The SCDE released more funds for PPE. B45 has been fully funded.
  - e. Mrs. Stapleton informed the Board that the Teacher of the Year will receive \$1000, a plaque, and a ring.

#### B. Recognition

- 1. Mrs. Stapleton introduced the Teacher of the Year for each of the schools by reading the teaching philosophy they wrote when for the committee.
  - a. BPS Teacher of the Year is Emily Coble
  - b. BES Teacher of the Year is Michaela Mitchell
  - c. GBMS Teacher of the Year is Mandy Smith
  - d. BHS Teacher of the Year is Keri Schneider
- 2. Mrs. Stapleton announced Keri Schneider as the District Teacher of the Year.

## ADVOCACY

## BASIC STRUCTURE

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Anderson-** Mrs. Anderson said it was good to see everyone in person. She congratulated the Teachers of the Year and commented that the committee had a difficult decision. She thanked everyone for all the great work being done in Barnwell 45.

**Devore-** Mrs. Devore expressed her thanks to all those that joined the meeting virtually. She congratulated the Teachers of the Year. She also stated it is an honor to the chosen by your peers.

**Sexton-** Mr. Sexton echoed everyone's thoughts on the Teachers of the Year. He also expressed how proud he is of them. He thanked the class of 1993 for their thoughtfulness.

**Huggins-** Mrs. Huggins expressed how happy she is to be meeting in person. She congratulated Mrs. Schneider and the other Teachers of the Year and said this is why we are proud of our district. She thanked the class of 1993 for the gift.

**Richardson-** Dr. Richardson thanked VAN Robotics for the ABii. He also thanked the class of 1993 for their gift to all the staff. He congratulated the Teachers of the Year. He stated it is a great honor to be chosen by your peers. He thanked the parents of the teachers of the years for their positive influence.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There was no need for an executive session.

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The Board unanimously approved the adjournment of the meeting. (Richardson, Huggins) 6:32 p.m.