

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

TIME: 6:00 p.m., Thursday, November 19, 2020

PLACE: Barnwell Schools Administration Building Board Room, 770 Hagood Avenue., 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, Tina Smith, Administrative Assistant, Holly Hutto, Chief Financial Officer

Other: Jonathan Vickery, Newspaper

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. Becky 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. Motion was made by Rhett Richardson and seconded by Mrs. Felicia Devore
3. The Board unanimously approved the Consent Agenda. Motion was made by Mrs. Becky Huggins and seconded by Rhett Richardson
4. There was no hearing of the public.

ACCOUNTABILITY

A. Information

1. Superintendent Stapleton presented the district updates, including:
 - a. The Jenna Bodiford Toy Drive for the Children’s Hospital of Georgia
 - b. Warhorse Booster Club selling 2020-21 Membership and Discount Cards
 - c. ABii- Training for 2nd Grade teachers the 1st week of December
 - d. Veteran’s Day Celebration, Art Writing Contest and Veteran’s Day Highlights/Program
 - e. Tri-County Grant Recipients were announced
 - f. Reopening update for 2nd Semester
 - g. Virtual Good News Club at BPS
 - h. First Steps relocating to Presbyterian Church, 110 Franklin Street, Barnwell, SC
 - i. Recognizing American Education Week

B. Recognition

1. Mrs. Stapleton announced new employees and employee transfers.
 - a. Holly Hutto- Chief Financial Officer
 - b. Tina Smith- Executive Assistant to the Superintendent
 - c. Kinley Hair- Human Resources Coordinator
 - d. Sandy Harper- Accounting Specialist
 - e. Shontavian Drake- Communications Coordinator

ADVOCACY

BASIC STRUCTURE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Anderson- Mrs. Anderson echoed Mrs. Stapleton welcoming new employees and looking forward to working with them. She thanked the teachers and staff during American Education Week.

Devore- Mrs. Devore congratulated new hires and BHS Warhorses on making it to the 2nd round of the playoffs. She wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Sexton- Mr. Sexton thanked Superintendent Stapleton for the Veteran's Day Program. He welcomed Tina Smith and Holly Hutto into their new positions. He thanked the children for their hard work for Veteran's Day and said that he was proud of them.

Huggins- Mrs. Huggins expressed excitement for Holly Hutto and Tina Smith. She commented on one month left before Christmas Holidays and expressed the importance of being safe.

Richardson- Mr. Richardson congratulated winners of the Veteran's Art and Writing Contest, Mr. Sexton for his military service, and Tri-County for the grants. He congratulated the new employees and wished everyone a Happy Holiday.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no need for an executive session.

The Board unanimously approved the adjournment of the meeting. The motion was made by Mr. Rhett Richardson and seconded by Mrs. Felicia Devore 6:36 p.m.

Chair

Rosey Anderson

Clerk

Abraham Sexton