

Minutes of the Work Session of the Barnwell School District 45 Board of Trustees

TIME: 8:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 21, 2023

PLACE: Barnwell Schools Administration Building, 770 Hagood Avenue, Barnwell, SC 29812 for Board Members

PRESENT:

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

District Office: Crystal Stapleton, Superintendent; Rachel Wall, Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum Director; Tina Smith, Administrative Assistant; Holly Hutto, Chief Financial Officer; Franklin McCormack, Barnwell High School Principal

The agenda for the meeting was as follows:

OPENING BUSINESS

1. Rosey Anderson-Chair, called the meeting to order. Dr. Rhett Richardson delivered the reflection. 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 Becky Huggins and seconded by Dr. Rhett Richardson.
3. There was no hearing of the public.

ACCOUNTABILITY

A. Information

1. Assistant Superintendent Wall shared the Barnwell School District 45 2023-2024 Strategic Plan. Highlights included information regarding the following topics:
 - a. Student Achievement
 - Early Childhood
 - Apprenticeship
 - Academic Success
 - ABii
 - Early College
 - b. Teacher Quality
 - Professional Schedules
 - Professional Development Focused on Learner Needs
 - Recruitment and Retention
 - c. School Climate
 - Systematic Interventions
 - Communications
 - Emergency Management
 - Website Platform
 - Automated Processes
 - Facility Updates
 - Modified Calendar
 - d. 2023-2024 Proficiency- Based System
 - e. 2023-2024 District Waivers
 - f. 2023 Summer Programs Overview
 - g. 2023-2024 Locally Board Approved Courses for 2023-2024
2. Assistant Superintendent Wall shared the 2023-2024 Federal Program Plans.
 - ESSER II and III
 - District Academic Recovery Goals
 - Title I, II, III, IV, and V
- a. 2023-2024 District Return to In-Person Plan Update
3. Superintendent Stapleton shared the Certified and Non-Certified Re-Elect Lists for 2023-2024.

4. Superintendent Stapleton shared the first viewing of The Pierson Collective Warhorse Pride video.
5. Superintendent Stapleton led discussion on budget considerations.
 - a. This included discussion of a 2023-2024 Retention Bonus. This would be a proposed retention bonus for all staff members in good standing who sign their contracts to return for the 2023-2024 school year.
 - b. This included discussion of a possible resolution for the Annual Capital Bond Issue.
6. Superintendent Stapleton led discussion on the facility updates and capital improvement priorities for 2023-2024.
 - a. This include presenting the capital improvement list of projects to be completed for the 2023-2024 school year.

BASIC STRUCTURE

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Request for motion made by Chair Rosey Anderson to go into Executive Session at 9:14am. Motion made by Becky Huggins and seconded by SGM Abraham Sexton.

Board unanimously approved the adjournment of the meeting. The motion was made by Dr. Rhett Richardson and seconded by Felicia Devore at 9:43am. No action taken.

Chair Rosey Anderson

Clerk Abraham Sexton