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**Chairperson Rosey Anderson and Vice-Chairperson Felicia Devore recognized for  
participating in state-level training**

COLUMBIA, S.C. September 9, 2021 – Two board members for Barnwell School District 45 earned recognition by the South Carolina School Boards Association (SCSBA) for achievement in the association's 2020–2021 Boardmanship Institute.

The SCSBA Boardmanship Institute, established in 1982, offers a year-round training curriculum to help board members develop skills and stay abreast of state and national education issues. Workshops focus on school law, advocacy and legislation, improving board operations, leadership for improving student achievement, and other timely topics.

Abraham Sexton earned Level Six, the highest recognition in the Boardmanship Institute. To qualify, level six recipients must earn at least 300 points for participation in training sessions over the past five years or less and pass a written exam. Level Six recipients will be presented with a plaque and pin with a clear stone during the 2022 SCSBA Annual Convention in February. Statewide, 10 school board members are up for Level Six recognition in 2020–2021.

Other board members recognized and their levels of achievement are:

- Rosey Anderson reached Level Five by earning 300 points within five consecutive years or less. Level Five recipients receive a certificate and pin with a red stone.
- Felicia Devore reached Level Four by earning 200 points within four consecutive years or less. Level Four recipients receive a certificate and pin with a blue stone.
- Abraham Sexton previously reached Level 6 status, the highest level of boardmanship offered by the South Carolina School Board Association.

Statewide, SCSBA recognized 79 school board members for reaching one of six levels for the 2020–2021 year with certificates of achievement and a lapel pin designating their level of accomplishment in the institute.

Each year, about 80 percent of board members statewide attend at least one training session.

SCSBA is the statewide professional organization serving as a source of information, training, and advocacy for the state's 77 school district boards, county boards, and state special schools.