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

**TIME**: 9:00 p.m., Thursday, August 13, 2020

PLACE: Conference Room, 770 Hagood Avenue Barnwell, SC 29812 for Board Members; virtual for the public

PRESENT:

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

Becky Huggins, Member

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

IT Coach and Administrative Assistant; Steven Strother, CFO

BPS: BES:

GBMS: BHS:

**Support Staff:** 

Other:

The agenda for the meeting was as follows:

#### OPENING BUSINESS

- 1. Dr. Rhett Richardson, 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. (Anderson, Devore)
- 3. The Board unanimously approved the Consent Agenda. (Devore, Huggins)
- 4. There was no hearing of the public.

#### ACCOUNTABILITY

- A. Information
  - 1. Superintendent Stapleton presented District Updates.
    - a. ARP has been delayed
    - **b. Summer Projects**
    - c. Request for Lawn Care Bids have been posted
    - d. Eric Strom was the winner of the American Zinc Contest held at GBMS
  - 2. Superintendent Stapleton presented information on the District Reopening Plan
    - a. Task Force formed
    - b. Survey of the community
    - c. Virtual Options
    - d. Face to Face Options
    - e. Safety Measures
    - f. School Calendar
    - g. Cares Funding
    - h.Leap Days

### **ADVOCACY**

### **BASIC STRUCTURE**

- A. Actions
  - 1. The Board unanimously approved the reopening plan, allowing the superintendent flexibility. (Anderson, Sexton)
  - 2. The Board unanimously approved the first reading of the IX Policy. (Sexton, Devore)

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Richardson-** Dr. Richardson said he cannot imagine what our district would be without the staff and leadership we have in place. He also, congratulated Ms. Devore and Ms. Huggins for their win in the School Board Election.

**Anderson-** Ms. Anderson stated that she is thankful for everything that is being done to keep our students and staff safe and still giving them the best educational opportunities.

**Sexton-** Voiced his thanks to Mrs. Stapleton, the staff, the CFO and all involved.

**Devore-** Expressed that she is grateful for her opportunity to continue to serve Barnwell 45. She also stated how much she appreciates everyone's sacrifice and hard work.

**Huggins-** Expressed her thanks for everyone's tireless work and planning on top of their regular work.

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There was no need for an executive session.

The Board unanimously approved the adjournment of the meeting. (Sexton, Huggins) 12:54 p.m.

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