

Minutes of Barnwell County School District Board of Trustees

Work Session

Monday, November 10, 2025

(770 Hagood Avenue, Barnwell, SC 29812)

Board Members Present: Becky Huggins, Felicia Devore, Rosey Anderson, Catrena Hughes-Parker, John Melton

I. Opening Business

A. Call to Order, Reflection, Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, FOI Notice

Chair Becky Huggins called the meeting to order at 8:17am. Chair Huggins led the Reflection and the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Becky Huggins confirmed the FOI Notice went out as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

B. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Rosey Anderson to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Felicia Devore. Hearing no objections, the agenda was unanimously approved.

II. Information Items

A. Discussion of Updates regarding Facility Plan

Dr. Stapleton shared information on the following:

- FEMA Gymnasium Update
- New High School Update
 - Value Engineering Items to Consider
 - Add Alternates to Consider
 - Breakdown of the Budget
 - Utilities

B. Discussion of District Updates

Dr. Stapleton led discussion of the following updates:

- New High School Branding
- Facility Rentals
- American Education Week and Staff Appreciation
- Overview of Current Millage Situation in Barnwell County

- Athletics Updates

C. Visit to FEMA Gymnasium/Safe Room Site (Travel Offsite)

Dr. Stapleton and the Board Members rode the district's minibus to visit the FEMA worksite to receive an update in person from Hank Reynolds of H.G. Reynolds. The group left at 10:20am and returned at 11:14am.

Please note, due to a work obligation, John Melton had to leave the meeting when the Board left for the visit to the FEMA site. He rejoined the group during the Special-Called meeting following the conclusion of the Work Session.

Upon return to the district office, the Superintendent concluded *B. Discussion of District Updates.*

The following were discussed:

- Property Updates
- Community Use of Facilities
- Update regarding First Steps Partnership

III. **Executive Session**

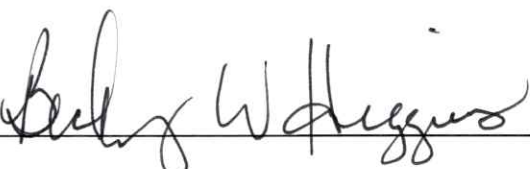
- Not needed

IV. **Adjournment**

A. Meeting Adjournment

Felicia Devore made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Rosey Anderson. There were no objections to adjourning. The meeting adjourned at 12:10pm

Please Note: The group took a break during the work session at 9:24am. Lunch was served at the close of work session.

Chair 

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