

BARRE UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
BUUSD Central Office and Via Video Conference – Google Meet
June 28, 2022 - 6:00 p.m.

MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sonya Spaulding (BC) – Chair
Alice Farrell (BT) – Vice Chair
Chris Parker (BT) - Clerk
Giuliano Cecchinelli, II (BC)
Nancy Leclerc (At-Large)
Terry Reil (BT)
Sarah Pregent (BC)

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Renee Badeau (BT)
Tim Boltin (BC)

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:

Chris Hennessey, Superintendent

GUESTS PRESENT:

Martha Blaisdell

1. Call to Order

The Chair, Mrs. Spaulding, called the Thursday, June 28, 2022, Special meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., which was held at the BUUSD Central Office and via video conference.

2. Additions and/or Deletions to the Agenda

None.

On a motion by Mrs. Pregent, seconded by Mrs. Farrell, the Board unanimously voted to approve the Agenda as presented.

3. Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda

3.1 Public Comment

None.

3.2 Student Voice

None.

4. Current Business

4.1 Ratification of AFSCME Agreement

A document titled ‘Agreement Between The Barre Unified Union School District And The American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees – AFL-CIO – Local 1369, Council 93 – July 1, ~~2020~~ **2022** – June 30, ~~2022~~ **2026** – Memorandum of Agreement June 6, 2022’ was distributed.

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Mrs. Pregent provided a brief overview of changes to the Agreement (indicated in red or bolded & underlined in the Memorandum of Agreement document) including but not limited to changes to; Article III; title change, Article VII: a limitation on bidding on one job at a time, Article VIII; changes to reimbursement for night shift employees working during non-night shift hours, Article XII: an increase in severance pay for accumulation of sick leave, Article XXII: increases to clothing allowances which will now be included in pay, rather than a reimbursement, Appendix A; reflects pay increases and an increase in longevity pay, and Appendix C; an increase in the contribution for those in the 403(b) Retirement Plan. Brief discussion was held regarding employees who are ‘grandfathered’ in the 403 (b) Retirement Plan and it was noted that all new employees go on the VMERS Retirement Plan.

On a motion by Mr. Reil, seconded by Mrs. Pregent, the Board unanimously voted to approve and ratify the AFSCME Agreement for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2026.

5. Adjournment

On a motion by Mrs. Farrell, seconded by Mrs. Leclerc, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Andrea Poulin