

**Addendum 2**  
**Board Meeting**  
**January 12, 2023**

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**Subject: School Board Meeting Requested Correspondence**

Good evening,

I am reaching out regarding the comments made at the board meeting on 01/19/2023, at the request of one of the board members. I was inquiring about the intentions of roughly half of the members of the board and imploring the remaining members who continue to act on behalf of the community to review and rectify the actions taken by their peers.

I have been coming to these meetings due to the actions of this board and continue to come due to the juvenile engagement I have seen while attending them. Multiple members have been raising their voices at concerned community members, school members and their own peers while refusing to answer any concerns brought forth. The outcry from board members to meet the expectations of these meetings is laughable as they often are the individuals who are acting in an unexceptionable manner.

Furthermore, the actions being taken by this board are clearly misaligned with the community as it is clear from the community's statements that they do not agree with the choices that are being made. Decreasing and reallocating funds to the extent that is being suggested is going to lead to a large deficit increasing our taxes exponentially in future years. The board members stating they are making these choices "for the children" mocking their peers is not only disrespectful towards their peers who refused to vote for this grossly underfunded budget but also to the members of the community who have been outwardly stating their views on underfunding the schools in this district.

The engagement with school staff and community members when board members disagree with them or want to avoid answering questions is often inappropriate and unprofessional. The members of the school board who are making decisions that do not align with the views of this community are not willing to answer for their actions and have unintentionally begun a movement to discontinue Barre Town's involvement in this district. Barre Town community members have always wanted what is best for our children but clearly the BUUSD School Board is not willing to meet our expectations. Should this movement success it will lie solely on the shoulders of this board.

I will continue to come to these board meetings and will ask my fellow town members to join me.

Regards,  
Mindy Woodworth