

**BARRE UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING**
Via Video Conference – Google Meet
In-Person - BUUSD Central Office, 120 Ayers St., Barre
March 20, 2023 - 5:00 p.m.

MINUTES

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Paul Malone (BT) – Chair
Sonya Spaulding (BC) - Vice Chair
Terry Reil (BT)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:

Chris Hennessey, Superintendent
Carol Marold, Director of Human Resources
Lisa Perreault, Business Manager

OTHER BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Giuliano Cecchinelli II

COMMUNITY MEMBERS PRESENT:

J. Scott Cameron
Sarah Pregent

1. Call to Order

The Superintendent, Mr. Hennessey, called the Monday, March 20, 2023 BUUSD Negotiations Committee meeting to order at 5:00 p.m., which was held at the BUUSD Central Office and via video conference.

2. Organize

2.1 Elect Chair

Mr. Hennessey requested nominations for the position of Negotiations Committee Chair

Mr. Reil nominated Mr. Malone for the position of Negotiations Committee Chair. Mrs. Spaulding seconded the motion.

There were no additional nominations.

On a motion by Mr. Reil, seconded by Mrs. Spaulding, the Committee unanimously voted to elect Mr. Malone as Chair of the BUUSD Negotiations Committee.

Mr. Malone facilitated the remainder of the meeting.

2.2 Elect Vice Chair

Mr. Malone requested nominations for the position of Negotiations Committee Vice Chair

Mr. Malone nominated Mr. Reil for the position of Negotiations Committee Vice Chair. Mrs. Spaulding seconded the motion.

Mr. Reil declined

Mr. Reil nominated Mrs. Spaulding for the position of Negotiations Committee Vice Chair. Mr. Malone seconded the motion.

There were no additional nominations.

On a motion by Mr. Reil, seconded by Mr. Malone, the Committee unanimously voted to elect Mrs. Spaulding as Vice Chair of the BUUSD Negotiations Committee.

3. Additions and/or Deletions to the Agenda

None.

4. Public Comment

None.

5. Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Mr. Reil, seconded by Mrs. Spaulding, the Committee unanimously approved the meeting minutes of February 21, 2023.

6. New Business

6.1 2022-2023 Negotiations

On a motion by Mrs. Spaulding, seconded by Mr. Reil, the Committee unanimously found that premature general public knowledge of the items proposed for discussion (deliberations re: planning and strategy related to Labor Relations Agreements) would clearly place the BUUSD at a substantial disadvantage should the discussion be made public.

On a motion by Mrs. Spaulding, seconded by Mr. Reil, the Committee unanimously voted to enter into Executive Session, with the Superintendent, Director of Human Resources, Business Manager and Mr. Cameron, Attorney in attendance, at 5:06 p.m., under the provisions of 1 VSA section 313 to discuss the items proposed for negotiation.

The Committee held a planning and strategy session to deliberate with regard to the 2023-2024 contract negotiations.

On a motion by Mr. Reil, seconded by Mrs. Spaulding, the Committee unanimously voted to exit the Executive Session at 5:45 p.m.

6. Next Meeting Date

The next committee meeting TBD..

7. Adjournment

On a motion by Mrs. Spaulding, seconded by Mr. Reil, the Committee unanimously voted to adjourn at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Tina Gilbert