

**BARRE UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING**  
Spaulding High School Library and Via Video Conference – Google Meet  
August 12, 2025 - 6:00 p.m.

**MINUTES**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Michael Boutin (BC) – Chair  
Giuliano Cecchinelli II (BC) - Vice Chair  
Emily Wheeler Reynolds (BT) - Clerk  
Alice Farrell (BT)  
Catherine Whalen (BT)  
Garrett Grant (BC) (online)  
Jackie Wheeler (At-Large)  
Ian Campbell (BT)  
Jeff Eddy (BC)

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

**ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT**

JoAn Canning, Superintendent

**GUESTS PRESENT:**

Steven Thompson, Jon Valsangiacomo, Matthew Guerry, Sean Toohey - Board Counsel, Darcy Richardson

**1. Call to Order**

The Board Chair, Mr. Boutin, called the Tuesday, August 12, 2025, regular meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. at the Spaulding High School Library, Barre, and via video conference.

**2. Additions and/or Deletions with Motion to Approve the Agenda**

None

**Mrs. Farrell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Campbell, to approve the agenda as presented; the motion passed unanimously.**

**3. Public Comment**

Mr. Thompson addressed the Board

**4. Executive Session**

**4.1. Personnel Appeal - 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(4) & 16 V.S.A. § 1752(d)(5)**

**Mrs. Farrell made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wheeler, to enter into executive session and invite Mr. Toohey, Mr. Valsangiacomo, Ms. Richardson, and Mr. Guerry; the motion passed unanimously.**

**Mr. Campbell made a motion, seconded by Ms. Wheeler Reynolds, to exit executive session at 6:29 p.m.; the motion passed unanimously.**

**Mrs. Farrell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Campbell, to affirm the superintendent's decision and instruct our attorney to draft a response letter; the motion passed unanimously.**

**5. Adjournment**

**On a motion by Ms. Wheeler Reynolds, seconded by Mrs. Farrell, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn at 6:31 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,  
*Tina Gilbert*