

## State Board of Education

### Draft Meeting Minutes

**Meeting Place: Virtual Teams Meeting/Video/Teleconference**

**Call in #: 1-802-552-8456, Conference ID: 874 702 919#**

**One National Life Drive, Davis 5, Room 514**

**Montpelier, VT 05602**

**Date: December 21, 2021**

#### **Present:**

**State Board Members (SBE):** Oliver Olsen, Chair; Jennifer Samuelson, Vice-Chair; Patrick Brown; Tom Lovett; Tammy Kolbe; Lyle Jepson; Kim Gleason; and Gabrielle Lucci.

**Agency of Education (AOE):** Suzanne Sprague

#### **Others:**

Bill Olsen, Superintendent, Rutland City School District; Robert Bliss, Assistant Superintendent, Rutland City School District; Pati Beaumont, Principal, Rutland Middle School; Meaghan Marsh, Assistant Principal, Rutland Middle School; Chris Van Sciver, English Language Arts Teacher, Rutland Middle School; Kailyn Champine, Student, Rutland Middle School; Mckenzie Barnes, Student, Rutland Middle School; Sara Barnes, Parent; Kim Champine, Parent; Jim Sabataso, Rutland Herald

### **Introductions and roll call**

Chair Olsen called the meeting to order at 11:32 a.m. He said the purpose of the special meeting was to recognize students from the Rutland Middle School. Chair Olsen asked for the State Board members to introduce themselves. Principal Beaumont introduced the members present from the Rutland Middle School and said that two of the students were unable to attend.

### **Recognition of Rutland Middle School Students**

The State Board discussed the writing project with the students. Discussion occurred regarding how the essays were engaging, inclusive and thoughtful, used an authentic voice, shared personal perspective, were well-written and thought provoking.

Chair Olsen read this [resolution celebrating the writing accomplishments of Rutland Middle School students](#). Jepson moved to accept the motion. Brown seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

## **Public Comment**

Superintendent Olsen praised the students for their excellent work. He thanked the State Board for taking the time to recognize the students.

## **Adjourn**

Samuelson moved to adjourn; Gleason seconded. The meeting adjourned at 12:06 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Suzanne Sprague