

**East Granby Board of Education**  
**Special Meeting Minutes for**  
**Tuesday, May 14, 2019**

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**Board Members Present:**

Mr. Bob Ravens-Seger  
Mr. Bob Paskiewicz  
Mr. John Welsh  
Mr. John Ziobro  
Mrs. Karey Pond

**Board Members Absent:**

Mr. Rob Crocker  
Mrs. Sharon Shepherd  
Mr. Jim Feeney (Recused himself)  
Mrs. Lucia Ziobro

**Others Present:**

M. Bavaro-Grande, Acting Superintendent  
Kyle McClain, Board Attorney  
Trooper Holcomb  
Tony DeMelo, EGHS Principal  
Student A  
Parents of Student A  
Advocate for Student A

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**I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance**

With a quorum present, Chairperson Bob Paskiewicz called the special meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and all recited the pledge of Allegiance.

**II. Executive Session – Student Matter**

*(Executive Session, if required, is held in accordance with P.A. 75-342)*

The Executive Session was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

**MOTION:** a motion was made by John Welsh, seconded by Karey Pond to move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a student matter and invited Melissa Bavaro-Grande, Kyle McClain, Trooper Holcomb, Student A, Parents of Student A, and the Advocate for Student A to attend. **Motion approved unanimously.**

The Board returned to regular session at 10:03 p.m.

**MOTION:** Bob Paskiewicz made a motion to move that pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 10-233d, the Board of Education expel Student A, as discussed in executive session, from attendance in school in East Granby Public Schools for the period from May 6, 2019 until May 6, 2020, for the reasons presented by the Administration in executive session.

Notwithstanding the foregoing period of expulsion Student A shall be eligible for early readmission to East Granby High School at the beginning of the 2019-2020 school year, provided that during the period of expulsion served out-of-school:

- Student A satisfactorily attends and participates in regular counseling in a manner and frequency approved by the Superintendent of Schools in his or her sole discretion and provides evidence of such attendance and participation to the Superintendent when requested. Student A's Parents must consent to the provider of counseling communicating with the Superintendent to receive updates regarding Student A's participation and progress;
- Student A satisfactorily attends and participates in the alternative educational opportunity provided during the period of expulsion served out-of-school, such

satisfactory attendance participation to be determined by the Superintendent in his or her sole discretion; and

- Student A does not commit any offense or violation of board policy for which suspension or expulsion is a disciplinary consequence.

Any such early readmission, if granted, shall be on a probationary basis. As part of such probation, Student A must satisfy the following criteria during the remaining period of expulsion in order to continue to attend East Granby High School:

- Student A continues to participate in the regular counseling during the period of expulsion to the satisfaction of the Superintendent, in his or her sole discretion; and
- Student A does not commit any offense or violation of board policy for which suspension or expulsion is a disciplinary consequence.

If Student A fails to satisfy the foregoing criteria, the Superintendent shall be entitled to, in his or her discretion, reinstate the expulsion, out of school, and without the need to convene a new hearing.

Further, the Board directs the administration to offer an alternative educational opportunity to Student A for any period of the expulsion served out of school in a form to be determined by the Superintendent. The Board also directs the Administration to record this expulsion on Student A's cumulative educational record, to be expunged from such record if Student A graduates from high school.

Finally, the Board authorizes Attorney Kyle McClain to communicate in writing the Board's decision and the reasons therefor, consistent with the Board's executive session discussion, to Student A and Student A's Parents, as appropriate.

The motion was seconded by John Ziobro. (FOR: Karey Pond, Bob Ravens-Seger, and Bob Paskiewicz. JohnWelsh recused himself). ***Motion approved.***

### **III. Adjournment**

***MOTION:*** a motion was made by Karey Pond, seconded by John Ziobro to adjourn the meeting. ***Motion approved unanimously.*** The meeting adjourned at 10:25 p.m.

***These minutes are issued pending Board of Education approval.***