

**East Granby Board of Education
Regular Meeting Minutes for
Monday, January 11, 2021**

Board Members Present:

Mr. Bob Paskiewicz
Mr. John Welsh
Mrs. Michele Holt
Mr. Bob Ravens-Seeger
Mrs. Lucia Ziobro
Mr. John Ziobro
Mr. John Corcoran
Mrs. Karey Pond
Mrs. Lynn Landolina

Board Members Absent:

Others Present:

Melissa Bavaro-Grande, Superintendent
Raymond Engle, Business Manager
Lisa Kline, Board Clerk
Bob McGrath, Allgrove Principal
Karen Gogel, Director Student Support Services
Amanda Cormier, Visitor
Tina Lengyel, Visitor
Hillery Lundell, Visitor
J. Russell, Visitor
Jen Kovaleski, Visitor
Becky Hayes, Visitor
Ashley, Alexander, Visitor
Patrick McKenney, Visitor
B. Jones, Visitor
Ken Kovaleski, Visitor
Liddy Doyle, Visitor
Jessica Aniskoff, Visitor
Sara Payette, Visitor
Donna Mattera, Visitor

I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

With a quorum present, Bob Paskiewicz, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m., and all recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

a. Approve Minutes from the December 14, 2020 regular meeting and the December 28, 2020 special meeting

MOTION: a motion was made by Bob Ravens-Seeger, seconded by Lynn Landolina to approve the December 14, 2020 regular meeting minutes as presented. (FOR: Bob Ravens-Seeger, John Ziobro, John Welsh, Lynn Landolina, Lucia Ziobro, Michele Holt, John Corcoran, and Bob Paskiewicz. ABSTAINED: Karey Pond). **Motion approved.**

MOTION: a motion was made by Bob Ravens-Seeger, seconded by Michele Holt to approve the December 28, 2020 special meeting minutes as presented. (FOR: Bob Ravens-Seeger, John Ziobro, John Welsh, Karey Pond, Lucia Ziobro, Michele Holt, John Corcoran, and Bob Paskiewicz. ABSTAINED: Lynn Landolina). **Motion approved.**

b. Additions to the Agenda - None

c. Comments from visitors regarding agenda items - None

II. Student Representative's Report – Tabled to the February 8, 2021 board meeting.

III. Board Elections

a. Elect Board Officers 2021

MOTION: a motion was made by Bob Ravens-Seeger, seconded by Karey Pond nominating Bob Paskiewicz as Board Chairperson.

MOTION: a motion was made by John Welsh, seconded by John Corcoran to close nominations.

The board voted unanimously (9-0) to close nominations and voted unanimously (9-0) in favor of Bob Paskiewicz as Board Chairperson. **Motions were unanimously approved.**

MOTION: a motion was made by Michele Holt, seconded by Karey Pond nominating Bob Ravens-Seeger as Board Vice Chairperson.

MOTION: a motion was made by John Welsh, seconded by John Ziobro to close nominations.

The board voted unanimously (9-0) to close nominations and voted unanimously (9-0) in favor of Bob Ravens-Seeger as Board Vice Chairperson. **Motions were unanimously approved.**

MOTION: a motion was made by Lynn Landolina, seconded by Bob Ravens-Seeger nominating Michele Holt as Board Secretary.

MOTION: a motion was made by Bob Ravens-Sege, seconded by John Corcoran to close nominations. The board voted unanimously (9-0) to close nominations and voted unanimously (9-0) in favor of Michele Holt as Board Secretary. *Motions were unanimously approved.*

IV. Chairperson's Report

a. Committee Assignments 2021

Board members were asked to email Bob Paskiewicz the names of the committee(s) they would like to serve on.

V. Superintendent's Report

a. Resignation

MOTION: a motion was made by Michele Holt, seconded by Bob Ravens-Sege to accept, with regret, the resignation of Kathleen Scull effective at the end of the 2020-2021 school year. *Motion approved unanimously.*

b. Retirement

MOTION: a motion was made by Bob Ravens-Sege, seconded by Lynn Landolina to accept, with regret, the retirement of Sara Glad effective February 10, 2021. *Motion approved unanimously.*

c. New Hire: EGHS Vice Principal

Patrick Gustafson was appointed the position of Vice Principal of East Granby High School.

d. School Update

Melissa Bavaro-Grande provided an update on the number of distance learners, remote Wednesdays, the school lunch program with Granby Public Schools, and COVID-19 quarantine and travel advisory guidelines.

VI. Committee Reports

a. Policy – Nothing to report.

b. Budget – A budget workshop will be held on January 13, 2021 at 6 p.m..

c. Curriculum – The committee would like to schedule a meeting the week of January 18, 2021.

d. Facilities – The air ducts in all four schools were recently cleaned.

e. Negotiations – The Board of Selectmen will consider and act upon ratification of the E.G. Administrators' Association contract at their January 13, 2021.

f. Communications – The committee will meet on January 20, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

VII. Recommended Actions

a. Approve Capital Requests for Operating System Update, Technology Equipment, and Camera Upgrades

MOTION: a motion was made by Bob Ravens-Sege, seconded by Karey Pond, to approve requesting a total of \$99,800 in capital funds for an operating system update, technology equipment, and camera upgrades.

John Welsh suggested that we list the items and dollar amounts individually. Bob Ravens-Sege withdrew his motion.

MOTION: a motion was made by Bob Ravens-Sege, seconded by Karey Pond to approve the following capital requests: \$25,000 for the operating system upgrade from Tyler Technologies (Munis); \$39,800 for 150 Chromebooks from CDW-G for the Refresh Program and a server from Dell; and \$35,000 for camera upgrades from Three-Way Communications. Total amount of request is \$99,800. *Motion approved unanimously.*

b. Approve December 2020 Financials – Tabled to the January 13, 2021 budget workshop.

VIII. Agenda Items for Future Meetings - None

IX. Comments from Visitors - None

X. Adjournment

MOTION: a motion was made by Bob Ravens-Sege, seconded by John Ziobro to adjourn the meeting. *Motion approved unanimously.* The meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Kline
Board Clerk

These minutes are issued pending Board of Education approval.