

East Granby Board of Education
Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 24, 2023

Board Members Present:

Mr. Bob Paskiewicz
Mrs. Lynn Landolina
Mr. John Welsh
Mrs. Lisa Griffin
Mr. Robert Loomis
Mr. Mark Andrews
Mr. Ricky Bortz
Mrs. Amanda Cormier (7:03 pm)

Others Present:

Melissa Bavaro-Grande, Superintendent
Raymond Engle, Business Manager
Lisa Kline, Board Clerk

Board Members Absent:

Mr. John Corcoran

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.

- a. Approve minutes from the March 6, 2023 special meetings, the March 8, 2023 budget workshop, the March 13, 2023 regular meeting, the March 20, 2023 special meeting, and the March 27, 2023 regular meeting**

MOTION: a motion was made by Ricky Bortz seconded by Robert Loomis, to approve the minutes from the March meetings as presented. *Motion approved unanimously.*

Bob Paskiewicz reminded the public that regular meetings are broadcasted on Granby Community Television (GCTV).

- b. Additions to the Agenda**

MOTION: a motion as made by John Welsh, seconded by Lynn Landolina to add item Vb. Approve Field Trip to the Pacific Northwest to the agenda. *Motion approved unanimously.*

- c. Comments from Visitors Regarding Agenda Items - None**

II. Chairperson's Report

- a.** The Public Hearing was held on April 18, 2023 followed by a Board of Finance meeting. A 3.99% BOE budget will be put forth to the Town Meeting on May 2, 2023, and the date of the referendum is May 16, 2023.

III. Superintendent's Report

Melissa recognized and thanked board members for Board of Education appreciation month.

- a. M & J Bus Contract Update**

The transportation contract is being reviewed and updated by the Board's Attorney. It should be ready for the May 8, 2023 regular board meeting.

- b. Retirement /20+ Dinner**

The retirement / 20+ dinner will be held on May 11, 2023.

- c. HVAC Grant**

The HVAC grant for the Middle/High School was approved on April 6, 2023. The project needs to be completed by December 1, 2024.

- d. BOE CREC Representative**

The CREC Council meets once a month. East Granby needs a representative and/or an alternate to participate. The meeting minutes are available online for anyone interested in representing East Granby.

- e. Resignation**

Cynthia Smith, Title I Tutor at R.D. Seymour School, resigned effective at the end of the current school year.

IV. Committee Reports

- a. Policy** – Lynn Landolina is the new policy subcommittee chairperson.
b. Budget – The subcommittee plans to meet before the end of the year.
c. Curriculum – A subcommittee meeting is scheduled for April 27, 2023.

- d. **Facilities** – The subcommittee met earlier today to discuss capital requests. Ricky Bortz provided an update on the condition of the baseball and softball fields.
- e. **Negotiations** – The Administrator’s contract is the next contract to be negotiated.
- f. **Communications** – Nothing to report at this time.

V. Recommended Actions

a. Approve March 2023 Financial Report

MOTION: a motion was made by John Welsh, seconded by Amanda Cormier, to approve the March 2023 Financial Report as presented. *Motion approved unanimously.*

b. Approve Field Trip to the Pacific Northwest

MOTION: a motion was made by John Welsh, seconded by Lynn Landolina to approve the field trip to the Pacific Northwest in June 2024 as presented. *Motion approved unanimously.*

VI. Agenda Items for Future Meetings

- a. **NEASC Report**
- b. **Capital Requests**
- c. **K-5 Student Enrollment**

VII. Comments from Visitors - None

VIII. Adjournment

MOTION: a motion was made by Mark Andrews, seconded by Amanda Cormier, to adjourn the meeting. *Motion approved unanimously.* The meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa A. Kline
Board Clerk

These minutes are issued pending Board of Education approval.