

**East Granby Board of Education  
Regular Meeting Minutes for  
Monday, November 22, 2021**

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**Board Members Present:**

Mr. Bob Paskiewicz  
Mr. Bob Ravens-Seger  
Mr. John Corcoran  
Mrs. Lynn Landolina  
Mr. Robert Loomis  
Mr. Arthur Reardon

**Others Present:**

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

**Board Members Absent:**

Mr. John Welsh  
Mrs. Michele Holt  
Mrs. Amanda Cormier

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

With a quorum present, Bob Paskiewicz, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and all recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**a. Additions to Agenda**

*MOTION:* a motion was made by Bob Ravens-Seger, seconded by Arthur Reardon to add item IVb. Accept Resignation to the agenda. *Motion approved unanimously.*

**b. Comments from Visitors Regarding Agenda Items – None**

**II. Chairperson’s Report**

**a. Board of Education Meeting Calendar 2022**

Board members discussed the meeting dates for July and August.

Election of Board Officers will be held in January 2022 and board members can select which committee(s) they would like to serve on.

**III. Superintendent’s Report**

**a. New Hires**

Quinn Cardaropolis returned to the district as the night custodian at R.D. Seymour School. Sonja Buccheri was hired as a school psychologist to help students with social and emotional needs. She will be paid using ESSER funds. There is no additional cost to district.

**b. Resignation**

Paraprofessional Kathryn Zagaja announced she will be leaving at the end of December 2021.

**c. Screen and Stay**

Melissa Bavaro-Grande shared the Connecticut Department of Public Health (DPH) Screen and Stay option for unvaccinated students who have had a school exposure to coronavirus in hopes of having them continue to learn in person. The reasoning behind it is in light of the extremely low statistical reports of in-school transmission. She explained the conditions which would allow the student to “quarantine/Screen and Stay” in school. It is recommended by the DPH students in Screen and Stay get tested on day 5, and if they are negative, they can resume normal activities on Day 8.

#### **IV. Recommended Actions**

##### **a. Approve Board of Education Meeting Calendar 2022**

**MOTION:** a motion was made by Bob Ravens-Seger, seconded by John Corcoran to approve the Board of Education 2022 meeting calendar as presented but with the following revisions: remove July 11th and July 25th and add July 18th; remove August 8th and add August 15th. ***Motion approved unanimously.***

##### **b. Accept Resignation**

**MOTION:** a motion was made by Bob Ravens-Seger, seconded by Lynn Landolina to accept with regret the resignation of Kathryn Zagaja. ***Motion approved unanimously***

#### **V. Agenda Items for Future Meetings**

##### **a. Election of Board Officers**

#### **VI. Comments from Visitors - None**

#### **VII. Adjournment**

**MOTION:** a motion was made by Bob Ravens-Seger, seconded by Lynn Landolina, to adjourn the meeting. ***Motion approved unanimously.*** The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa A. Kline  
Board Clerk

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