

**East Granby Board of Education  
Regular Meeting Minutes for  
Monday, March 14, 2022**

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**Board Members Present:**

Bob Paskiewicz, Chairperson  
Michele Holt, Vice Chairperson  
John Welsh  
Lynn Landolina  
John Corcoran  
Robert Loomis

**Others Present:**

Melissa F. Bavaro-Grande, Superintendent  
Raymond Engle, Business Manager  
Lisa Kline, Board Clerk  
Samantha Kovaleski, Student Representative  
Nathaniel Swanson, Student Representative  
Ken Kovaleski, Visitor  
Jim Luchina, Visitor

**Board Members Absent:**

Mark Andrews  
Ricky Bortz  
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. Approve minutes from the February 10, 2022 budget workshop and the February 14, 2022 and February 28, 2022 regular meetings**

*MOTION:* a motion was made by Michele Holt, seconded by Lynn Landolina to approve the minutes from the February 10, 2022 budget workshop and the February 14, 2022 regular meeting as presented, and amending item Ib of the February 28, 2022 regular meeting minutes to read *in the 2-14-22 minutes pending Board of Education approval. Motion approved unanimously.*

**b. Additions to the Agenda - None**

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

**II. Student Representatives Report**

Samantha Kovaleski reported on Invention Convention winners, UCONN Writing Contest Award winners, students of the month, sports, the POPs concert, Dodgeball Tournament, Snowball Dance, and testing at the middle and high school. Nathaniel Swanson reported on field trips, fundraisers, kindergarten registration, celebrations, PTO donated recess equipment, and Read Across America taking place at Carl Allgrove and R.D. Seymour School.

**III. Chairperson's Report**

The board will present their 2022-2023 budget at the March 15, 2022 Board of Finance meeting.

**IV. Superintendent's Report**

**a. School Update / End of Year Programs and Activities**

Melissa recently attended academic, athletic, and musical school events and was very impressed at the level of the students' talent. She will highlight end of year programs and activities at future board meetings.

In recognition of Board of Education appreciation month, Melissa thanked the board members for their service to the students.

**V. Committee Reports**

**a. Policy** – Melissa will contact Shipman and Goodwin to find out the next step to updating the board policy manual.

**b. Budget** – The 2022-2023 budget will be presented at the 3-15-22 BOF meeting.

- c. **Curriculum** – CT Standards were provided as a resource for the subcommittee. Robert Loomis was impressed by East Granby’s high standards.
- d. **Facilities** – The sub-committee is looking into LED lighting at R.D. Seymour School and the Middle/High schools.
- e. **Negotiations** – Negotiations for noncertified staff are ongoing.
- f. **Communications** – The sub-committee discussed goals for the year and messages to send to the community.

**VI. Recommended Actions**

**a. Approve February 2022 Financials**

**MOTION:** a motion was made by Michele Holt, seconded by Lynn Landolina to approve the February 2022 Financials as presented. Raymond Engle reviewed the financial summary and answered questions from board members. *Motion approved unanimously.*

**VII. Agenda Items for Future Meetings**

- a. **Elementary Enrollment Projection Updates**
- b. **Athletic Fields/Spring Sports**
- c. **Approve Graduation Date and Last Day of School**

**VIII. Comments from Visitors**

Mr. Luchina thanked the board members for their service and shared his concern regarding a book that was read out loud in his child’s classroom.

**IX. Adjournment**

**MOTION:** a motion was made by John Welsh, seconded by John Corcoran to adjourn the meeting. *Motion approved unanimously.* Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Kline  
Board Clerk

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