

East Granby Board of Education
East Granby, CT 06026
Budget Workshop Minutes
Monday, October 16, 2023

Board Members Present:

Mr. John Welsh
Mrs. Lynn Landolina
Mrs. Amanda Cormier
Mr. Mark Andrews
Mr. Robert Loomis
Mr. Ricky Bortz (virtual – exited 7:42pm)
Mrs. Lisa Griffin
Mr. John Corcoran

Others Present:

Melissa F. Bavaro-Grande, Superintendent
Raymond Engle, Business Manager
Karen Gogel, Student Support Services Director

I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

With a quorum present, the budget workshop was called to order at 6:37 p.m., and all recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Comments from Visitors Regarding Agenda Items - None

III. Preliminary Budget Driver Information and Discussion for SY 24-25

Superintendent Bavaro and Business Manager Ray Engle discussed budget drivers which include salaries, healthcare, fuel, utilities, transportation, and cost related to student support services.

The Director of Student Support Services, Karen Gogel, provided information on the various areas covered under her umbrella which include special education, 504 plans, English as a Second Language, housebound tutoring, out of district placements, preschool and birth to three. Mrs. Gogel also explained related services (OT, PT, SLP, etc...), paraprofessional support, and the associated and sometimes anticipated costs to service our children.

IV. Adjournment

MOTION: A motion was made by John Corcoran, seconded by Mark Andrews to adjourn the workshop. The workshop was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ricky Bortz, Board Secretary
Melissa F. Bavaro-Grande, Superintendent

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