

*East Granby Board of Education  
East Granby, CT 06026  
Special Meeting Minutes  
Budget Workshop  
Wednesday, April 17, 2024*

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**Board Members Present:**

Mr. Bob Paskiewicz  
Mrs. Amanda Cormier  
Mrs. Lynn Landolina  
Mrs. Whitney Burns (5:18 virtual)  
Mr. John Welsh  
Mrs. Lisa Griffin (virtual)

**Others Present:**

Melissa F. Bavaro-Grande, Superintendent  
Mary Hiney, Business Manager  
Karen Gogel, Director of Student Support Services  
Phebe Large, Teacher  
Jennifer LoVoi, Teacher  
Shannon Karlowicz, Teacher  
Michelle Leifert, Teacher  
Kerry Anthony, Teacher

**Board Member Absent:**

Mr. Mark Andrews  
Mr. John Corcoran  
Mr. Ricky Bortz

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

With a quorum present, the special meeting was called to order at 5:04 p.m., and all recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

**II. Review and Discuss BoF Budget Directive for Public Hearing**

Discussed possible reductions. Shared an additional retirement and resignation that brings us to a 6.83%. Additional reductions to meet a 5.48% will require nonrenewal notices and possible reductions in other areas. Superintendent Bavaro-Grande will be meeting with impacted staff members and then bring the recommendations to the BOF at a special meeting.

**III. Changes to Presentation for Public Hearing / Town Meeting**

The presentation from the BOF meeting was reviewed for edits. Changes will be made to reflect a 6.83% recommendation and the 5.48% BOF directive. A motion will be added to the April 22<sup>nd</sup> BOE agenda for the board to endorse a budget for the public hearing.

**IV. Adjournment**

**MOTION:** a motion was made by Amanda Cormier, seconded by John Welsh to adjourn the workshop. The workshop was adjourned at 5:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa F. Bavaro-Grande