East Granby Board of Education
Regular Meeting Minutes for
Monday, January 27, 2025

Board Members Present:
Mr. Bob Paskiewicz
Mr. Ricky Bortz
Mrs. Lisa Griffin
Mr. John Welsh
Mr. Mark Andrews
Mr. Dreux Namnoun

Others Present:
Melissa Bavaro-Grande, Superintendent
Mary Hiney, Business Manager
Lisa Kline, Board Clerk

Board Members Absent:
Mrs. Whitney Burns
Mrs. Lynn Landolina
Mrs. Amanda Cormier

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., and all recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

a. **Additions to the Agenda** - None
b. **Comments from Visitors Regarding Agenda Items** - None

II. Chairperson's Report

a. **2025 Committee Assignments and Committee Chairs**
Bob Paskiewicz will share the list of committee assignments at the next meeting.

III. Superintendent's Report

a. **Bus Update**
Melissa shared the revisions made to bus routes 4, 5, and 6. The goal was to reduce travel time and even out the bus times.
b. **Request from BOF: PA 13-60 Non-Educational Services**
This is an annual request from the Board of Finance. Mary Hiney will have it ready for the next Board of Education meeting.
c. **Retirement**
Grade 4 teacher, Susan Olechna, will be retiring at the end of this school year.
d. **Budget Presentation**
Melissa presented a 5.6% budget for 2025-2026. Board members recommended edits to some of the slides.

IV. Recommended Actions

a. **Approve 2025-2026 School Year Calendar**

MOTION: a motion was made by John Welsh, seconded by Lisa Griffin to approve the 2025-2026 School Year Calendar as presented. ***Motion approved unanimously.***

b. **Approve pCard**

MOTION: a motion was made by Ricky Bortz, seconded by Dreux Namnoun, to approve a pCard as presented. ***Motion approved unanimously.***

c. **Adopt Budget Proposal**

MOTION: a motion was made by Ricky Bortz, seconded by John Welsh, to adopt the budget proposal with the changes previously discussed. ***Motion approved unanimously.***

V. **Agenda Items for Future Meetings**
   a. **Accept PA 13-60 Non-Educational Services**
   b. **Cellphone Policy**

VI. **Comments from Visitors -** None

VII. Executive Session – Superintendent's Mid-Year Evaluation

MOTION: a motion was made by Mark Andrews, seconded by John Welsh, to table this item. ***Motion approved unanimously.***

VIII. Adjournment

MOTION: a motion was made by Mark Andrews, seconded by Dreux Namnoun, to adjourn the meeting. ***Motion approved unanimously.*** The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Kline
Board Clerk

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