

**East Granby Board of Education
Meeting Minutes for
Monday, May 12, 2025**

Board Members Present:

Mr. Bob Paskiewicz
Mr. Dreux Namnoun
Mr. John Welsh
Mrs. Lisa Griffin
Mrs. Amanda Cormier
Mr. Mark Andrews
Mr. Ricky Bortz

Others Present:

Melissa Bavaro-Grande, Superintendent
Mary Hiney, Business Manager
Lisa Kline, Board Clerk
Hansika Lenkala, Student Representative
Varshny Sriganesh, Student Representative
Mr. & Mrs. Lenkala, Visitors
Mr. & Mrs. Sriganesh, Visitors
Joanna Taczanowsky, Visitor

Board Members Absent:

Mrs. Lynn Landolina
Mrs. Whitney Burns

I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

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

a. Approve minutes from the April 28, 2025 regular meeting

MOTION: a motion was made by John Welsh, seconded by Dreux Namnoun to approve the minutes from the April 28, 2025 regular meeting as presented. ***Motion approved unanimously.***

b. Additions to Agenda - None

c. Comments from Visitors - None

II. Student Representatives Report

Varshny reported on curriculum and events taking place in the elementary schools. Hansika reported on testing, curriculum, and events taking place in the middle/high school.

III. Chairperson's Report

a. CABA Student Award

Melissa Bavaro and Bob Paskiewicz recognized Hansika Lenkala and Varshny Sriganesh as recipients of this year's CABA Student Leadership Award.

Bob Paskiewicz reminded everyone that the Town Budget Referendum will be held on May 20, 2025.

A nonmeeting will be held on May 22, 2025 with Dr. Mary Broderick from CABA to initiate the search for Superintendent.

IV. Superintendent's Report

a. Graduation Requirements Policy 5012 – **SECOND READ**

Melissa explained the primary changes made to align with state guidelines and asked board members if they had any questions.

b. New Hires

The following teachers were hired for the 25-26 school year: Jasmin Goicochea, Kindergarten; Alexandra Whitaker, grade 4; Lauren Pelletier, grade 7 ELA; and Natalee Marini, grade 6 ELA.

V. Committee Reports

a. Policy – The next meeting is May 15, 2025 to continue reviewing the Shipman & Goodwin model policies.

b. Budget – The Town Budget Referendum is May 20, 2025.

c. Curriculum – Nothing to report at this time.

d. Facilities – Nothing to report at this time.

- e. **Negotiations** – Nothing to report at this time.
- f. **Communications** – The next meeting will be May 27, 2025 at 6:15 p.m.

VI. Recommended Actions

a. Approve April 2025 Financials

MOTION: a motion was made by Mark Andrews, seconded by Ricky Bortz, to approve the April 2025 Financials as presented. ***Motion approved unanimously.***

b. Approve Graduation Requirements Policy 5012

MOTION: a motion was made by Dreux Namnoun, seconded by Amanda Cormier to approve Graduation Requirements policy 5012 as presented. ***Motion passed unanimously.***

VII. Agenda Items for Future Meetings

a. Capital Requests

b. Executive Session

VIII. Comments from Visitors - None

IX. Adjournment

MOTION: a motion was made by Mark Andrews, seconded by Dreux Namnoun, to adjourn the meeting. ***Motion approved unanimously.*** The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Kline
Board Clerk

These minutes are issued pending Board of Education approval.