

**EAST LYME BOARD OF EDUCATION
East Lyme, Connecticut**

**Board of Education Special Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 4, 2011
6:45 p.m.
INTV Room (B101)
East Lyme High School**

Board Members Present: Tim Hagen (Chair), Beth Groeber (Secretary), Jaime Barr,
Laura Greenstein, Marlene Nickerson, Kevin Seery, Rich Steel

Board Members Absent: Mary Broderick, Melissa Ford, Al Littlefield

Administrators Present: Dr. James Lombardo (Superintendent), Brian Reas (Assistant Superintendent),
Dr. Karen Costello (Administrator for Program Improvement), Jeff Provost (HS
Asst. Principal), Jason Bitgood (Asst. Principal HS Alternative Education
Program), Don Meltabarger (Finance and Facilities Director)

I. CALL TO ORDER– 6:45 p.m.

II. DISCUSSION

1. Discussion/Action re: Set East Lyme High School Graduation Date for the Class of 2011
Dr. Lombardo presented graduation date options to the Board as follows: 1) Wednesday, June 22, 2011 which is the 182nd school day for the current school year; or 2) Monday, June 20, 2011 (waiving two days of the 182 school year calendar for seniors only).

MOTION: Kevin Seery moved to set the East Lyme High School graduation date for the Class of 2011 as Monday, June 20, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. and to waive two days of the 182 school year calendar for seniors only; Al Littlefield seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED

2. Discussion /Action re: Proposed Capital Plan Requests
Dr. Lombardo recommended the Board authorize him to send a letter to the Board of Selectmen to include capital projects in the 2011-2012 Town of East Lyme Capital Plan. The projects are in addition to the previous request regarding the ELPS Athletic Complex Repair/Replacement Project of \$2.3 million.

MOTION: Beth Groeber moved the inclusion of the following items in the 2011-2012 Town of East Lyme Long Range Capital Plan, with the projects being in addition to the previous request regarding the ELPS Athletic Complex Repair/Replacement Project of \$2.3 million:

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| Replace roof on LBH Learn wing | \$300,000 |
| HS Music wing wall repair | 150,000 |
| HS Baseball field repairs | 80,000 |
| HS Tennis court repairs | 300,000 |
| HS Culinary Arts Lab upgrade | 400,000; Rich Steel seconded. |

VOTE: UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED

3. Discussion/Action re: Follow-up of Board of Finance Budget Review

The Board of Finance has indicated that the proposed 2011-2012 Board of Education Budget may be significantly reduced. Dr. Lombardo and Tim Hagen presented a draft letter that described the consequences and significant impact a dramatic budget reduction would have on the district. The amounts indicated are placeholders, with the final plan and figures subject to Board of Education approval. Input was considered and the final draft will be reviewed by Board members.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

IV. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Al Littlefield moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m.; Jaime Barr seconded.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Groeber

Beth Groeber, Secretary

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