



SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

January 22, 2014

Central Office

6:00 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Kristen Harmeling
Jennifer Magri
Fred Stanek

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Christine Syriac, Superintendent of Schools
Fred Dorsey, Board Counsel
Glenn Lungarini, Principal, SHS
Paul Lucke, Assistant Principal, SHS
Jim Freund, Assistant Principal, SHS
Student
Student's Mother
Student's Father

Mr. Fred Stanek called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

1. To consider and act upon the recommendation from the administration regarding student expulsion

MOTION: (Ms. Harmeling/sec., Ms. Magri) move that the Board enter Executive Session to discuss a matter that would result in the disclosure of public records or the information contained therein as described in Connecticut General Statutes Sections 1-210(b)(2) and (11/17). Further that the board invite the following individuals to attend the executive session: Student, Student's Parents, Superintendent of Schools, Principal of Seymour High School, Assistant Principals of Seymour High School, Board Counsel, and Board Clerk

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: Ms. Harmeling, Ms. Magri, Mr. Stanek

Mr. Dorsey explained the procedures of the meeting

In addition to the Board members, all those mentioned in the above motion met in Executive Session starting at 6:05 p.m. The Board members entered into deliberations at 6:45 p.m. The Board entered into Regular Session at 7:03 p.m.

MOTION: (_____/sec., _____) Move that, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 10-233d, the Seymour Board of Education shall expel the Student discussed in executive session from attendance at Seymour High School for the period from January 9, 2014 until January 8, 2015, for the reasons presented by the Administration in this hearing.

Further, the Board directs the Administration to establish and offer an alternative educational opportunity to the Student for the period of this expulsion, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 10-233d(d), in a form determined by the Administration.

The Superintendent is also authorized to allow the Student's early readmission at the beginning of the 2014-15 school year, if the Student meets the following conditions:

1. The Student regularly participates and receives passing grades in his alternative education program;
2. The Student meets with a counselor or therapist, with a report to the Superintendent that indicates he has no issues that would preclude his safe attendance at school;
3. The Student and his parents meet with the Superintendent during the first two weeks of August 2014 to demonstrate that the above-referenced conditions have been met;
4. If readmitted early, the Student will be on probation for the remainder of the original period of expulsion. During the probation period, the Student must:
 - a. Maintain passing grades;
 - b. Not be involved in any serious disciplinary incidents as determined by the Superintendent.

If such an incident occurs or the Student violates any of the other conditions of his probation, the Superintendent is authorized to reinstate the unserved portion of his expulsion without the necessity of any further action by the Board.

The Board further directs the Administration, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 10-233d(f), to record this expulsion on the Student's cumulative educational record, to be expunged from such record if the Student graduates from high school.

Finally, the Board authorizes Fred Stanek and Board Counsel Fred Dorsey to communicate in writing to the Student and/or his parents, as appropriate, the Board's decision and the reasons therefore, consistent with the Board's executive session discussion

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: Ms. Harmeling, Ms. Magri, Mr. Stanek

MOTION: (Ms. Harmeling/sec., Ms. Magri) to adjourn the meeting

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: Ms. Harmeling, Ms. Magri, Mr. Stanek

The meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Submitted by:
Lee-Ann Dauerty
Board Clerk