

## SPECIAL BOE MEETING

## **MINUTES**

April 10, 2012 Central Office 7:00 P.M.

**EXPULSION HEARING** 

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Jim Garofolo

Jay Hatfield Fred Stanek

OTHERS PRESENT: Mary Anne Mascolo, Superintendent

Fred Dorsey, Counsel for the Board

Lee-Ann Dauerty, Clerk

Student

Student's Mother Student's Father

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

Mr. Dorsey reviewed the hearing procedures and the meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m.

**MOTION:** (Mr. Garofolo) move that the Board enter Executive Session at 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), (11) and (17). Further, that the Board invites the following individuals to attend the executive session:

Mary Anne Mascolo, Superintendent Fred Dorsey, Counsel for the Board Lee-Ann Dauerty, Clerk Student Student's Mother Student's Father

**SO VOTED** 

**AFFIRMATIVE:** Mr. Garofolo, Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Stanek

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 7:24 p.m.

In addition to the Board members, all those mentioned in the above motion met in executive session. The Board Members along with Attorney Dorsey entered into deliberations at 7:24 p.m.

The Board entered into regular session at 8:01 p.m.

There was a discussion regarding the changes the Board members requested to the Stipulated Agreement.

**MOTION:** (Mr. Hatfield, sec., Mr. Garofolo) move that pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 10-233d, Seymour Board of Education shall expel the student discussed in executive session from attendance at Seymour High School for the period from March 23, 2012 until March 22, 2013 for the reasons presented in the Stipulated Agreement received in this hearing as Exhibit 2.

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) as determined by the Administration.

The Student shall have the possibility of early readmission on September 5, 2012 if he demonstrates to the Superintendent's satisfaction that he is actively participating in his alternative educational program, is receiving passing grades, has not been involved in any further serious disciplinary incidents through the end of the one calendar year expulsion period, and provides at least ten (10) hours per month of community service for the months of may, June, July and August of 2012 in an activity approved by the Superintendent. The Superintendent is hereby authorized by the board to allow such early readmission if the above-referenced requirements have been met to her satisfaction. Violation of any school policies or rules during the period of readmission shall result in the Superintendent reinstituting the unserved period of expulsion without the necessity of further Board action.

The Board also 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 at the end of the one calendar year expulsion period, if he meets the conditions established in the Settlement Agreement as modified by the Board, or, if the Student graduates from high school.

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

SO VOTED

**AFFIRMATIVE:** Ms. Garofolo, Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Stanek

## 2. Chairman's Report

None

## 3. Superintendent's Report

None

**MOTION:** (Ms. Garofolo, sec., Mr. Hatfield) to adjourn the meeting.

**SO VOTED** 

**AFFIRMATIVE:** Ms. Garofolo, Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Stanek

The meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Submitted by: Lee-Ann Dauerty