

SEYMOUR BOARD OF EDUCATION

SPECIAL MEETING
EXPULSION HEARING
SEYMOUR HIGH SCHOOL

January 15, 2009
9:15 A.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bruce Baker, Chairman
Rose Marie Yitts
Jeanne Loda

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mary Anne Mascolo, Superintendent
Fred Dorsey, Council for the Board
Erin Duques, Council for the Administration
Kevin Condon, Council for the student
Monica Fasciano, Teacher
Paula Burton, Teacher
Parent of the student
Student

Mr. Baker called the meeting to order at 9:50 a.m. explaining that the agenda called for the Board to consider and act upon a recommendation from the administration regarding a student expulsion.

09-E10 MOTION: (Mrs. Loda, sec., Mrs. Yitts) 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). Further, that the Board invite the following individuals to attend the executive session

Cathy Goodrich, Principal SHS
Paul Lucke, Assistant Principal, SHS
Monica Fasciano, Teacher SHS
Paula Burton, Teacher SHS
Richard Kearns, Director of Security
Sharon Ewaskie, Reporter
Mary Anne Mascolo, Superintendent
Attorney Dorsey, Counsel for BOE
Attorney Duques, Counsel for the Administration
Attorney Condon, Counsel for the student
Student
Parent of the student

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: Mrs. Yitts, Mr. Baker, Mrs. Loda

In addition to the Board Members, all those mentioned in the above motion met in executive session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 9:52 a.m.

At 10:10 a.m. the Board went into privileged session from which all except Board Members and the Board attorney were excluded.

At 10:28 a.m. all who had been excluded came back and the meeting continued.

The Board entered into regular session at 10:30 a.m.

E09-11 MOTION: (Mrs. Loda, sec., Mrs. Yitts) 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 January 16, 2009 until the end of the 2008-2009 school year for the reasons presented by the administration in this hearing.

Further, the Board directs the administration to offer an alternative educational opportunity to the student for the period of this expulsion, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 10-233d (d) in the form of tutoring as determined by the administration.

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 Bruce Baker and Attorney Frederick L. 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: Mrs. Yitts, Mr. Baker, Mrs. Loda

09-E012 MOTION: (Mrs. Loda, sec., Mrs. Yitts) to adjourn the meeting.

SO VOTED

AFFIRMATIVE: Mrs. Yitts, Mr. Baker, Mrs. Loda

The meeting adjourned at 10:32 a.m.

Submitted by
Sharon Ewaskie, Clerk