## Seymour Public Schools

**SPECIAL MEETING 1 MINUTES** 

September 19, 2016 **Central Office** 5:15 p.m.



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## BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:** 

Jim Garofolo Jennifer Magri Peter Kubik Christine Syriac, Superintendent of Schools Dan Murphy, Board Attorney Lee-Ann Dauerty, Board Clerk Tara Yusko, Assistant Principal- Seymour High School Paul Lucke, Assistant Principal-Seymour High School Student Student's Mother Student's Grandmother

Ms. Magri called the meeting to order at 5:29 p.m. and introductions were made.

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

MOTION: (Mr. Garofolo/sec., Mr. Kubik) 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), (11) and (17). Further, that the Board invite the following individuals to attend the executive session:

- 1. Student
- 2. Student's Parent & Grandparent
- 3. Christine Syriac, Superintendent
- 4. Dan Murphy, Counsel for the Board
- 5. Paul Lucke, Assistant Principal
- 6. Tara Yusko, Assistant Principal
- 7. Lee-Ann Dauerty, Recording Secretary

AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Garofolo, Mr. Kubik, Ms. Magri

Mr. Murphy explained the procedures of the meeting.

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SO VOTED

In addition to the Board members, all those mentioned in the above motion met in Executive Session starting at 5:30 p.m. The Board members entered into deliberations at 6:10 p.m. The Board entered into Regular Session at 6:35 p.m.

**MOTION:** (Mr. Garofolo/sec., Mr. Kubik) move that pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 10-233d, the Seymour Board of Education expel the student discussed in executive session from attendance at Seymour High School and from presence on school grounds and school sponsored activities for the period from September 19, 2016 until September 5, 2017, for the reasons presented by the administration in this hearing.

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

The Student may be permitted to return to school effective with the first day of the second semester of the 2016-17 school year in or about the first week of November 2016 if the following conditions are met in the discretion of the Superintendent of Schools: 1) no further violations of the law or Board policy; 2) counseling in a form and frequency to be approved in advance by the Superintendent, with reports of such provider or provider(s); and 3) maintenance of passing grades in all classes. If readmitted early, the Student shall continue to meet the conditions set forth herein or the Superintendent may reinstate any unused period of expulsion or otherwise commence new disciplinary proceedings.

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 if the student graduates from high school.

Finally, the Board authorizes Jennifer Magri and Attorney Dan Murphy to communicate in writing the Board's decision and the reasons thereof, consistent with the Board's executive session discussion, to the student and his/her parent(s).

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AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Garofolo, Mr. Kubik, Ms. Magri

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

AFFIRMATIVE: Mr. Garofolo, Mr. Kubik, Ms. Magri

The meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m.

Submitted by: Lee-Ann Dauerty Board Clerk

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