

REGION 9 BOARD OF EDUCATION
October 1, 2014
Special Meeting Minutes

Attendance:

Region 9 Board of Education members: Ms. Carolyn Colangelo, Mr. Mike D'Agostino, Ms. Cathy Gombos, Mr. Vance Hancock, Mr. Christopher Hocker, Mr. Walter King, Mr. Mark Lewis

Administration: Dr. Bernard Josefsberg, Mr. Dan Geraghty, Dr. Thomas McMorran, Ms. Gina Pin, Ms. Mary Ann Sheehy

Others: Attorney Stephen Sedor (for the Administration), Attorney Kevin Collins (for Student X), Parents of Student X, Siblings of Student X, Student X, Attorney Christopher Tracey (for the Board of Education)

Mr. Hocker called the Board of Education special meeting (expulsion hearing) to order at 6:45 pm in JBHS Media Center.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – EXPULSION HEARING REGARDING STUDENT X

Motion: To enter into Executive Session for the purpose of conducting an expulsion hearing and invite the following individuals into the Executive Session: Dr. Josefsberg, Dr. McMorran, Ms. Pin, Mr. Geraghty, Ms. Sheehy, Attorney Tracey, Attorney Collins, Parents of Student X, Siblings of Student X, and Student A. **Gombos, Lewis. Approved. Unanimous.**

Executive Session was entered at 6:46 pm for the purpose of conducting the Expulsion Hearing.

PUBLIC SESSION

Public Session was entered at 9:22 pm

Motion: Moved that the Board of Education finds that the Student who is the subject of this hearing did, on or around September 19, 2014, engage in conduct which violated the publicized policies of the Board and constituted an expellable offense. The student who is the subject of this hearing shall be expelled from school for a period of 180 school days, provided further that:

- During the period of expulsion, the Student shall be offered an alternative educational program;
- The Student shall be permitted to return to school on probationary status on the first day of the second marking period, if until such time, the Student:

Participates in the alternative educational program, without any unexcused absences;

Participates in drug/alcohol counseling;

Participates in a drug/alcohol test, which shall be conducted during the week prior to the return to school and the result of which shall indicate that the Student has not used drugs and/or alcohol; and

Does not commit an expellable offense

Should the Student be readmitted on a probationary basis, the Student:

- Shall not commit an expellable offense;
- Shall not be permitted to drive to school, unless express advanced written permission is granted by the High School administration;
- Shall be on full social exclusion and shall not attend any social functions, unless express advanced written permission is granted by the High School Administration; and
- Shall attend six (6) Saturday detentions

Should the Student abide by the terms of his probationary return to school, the Student shall be permitted to attend the prom and may walk during the graduation ceremony if the Student has met the applicable graduation requirements. Should the Student fail to abide by the terms of his probationary return to school, the remainder of the expulsion period shall be imposed without a hearing. **Colangelo, Hancock. Approved. Unanimous (Abstain: King).**

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: To adjourn the special meeting. **Colangelo, Gombos. Approved. Unanimous.**

Chairperson Hocker adjourned the meeting at 9:36 PM.