

Torrington Public Schools

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Special Meeting of the Board of Education Discussion of a Confidential Student Matter Tuesday, April 18, 2017, 6:00PM 355 Migeon Avenue

Minutes

Board Members: Ellen Hoehne, Wendy Pataky, Peter Vergaro

- 1. Meeting called to order. Approximately 6:08PM
- 2. Motion to go into executive session to discuss a confidential student matter by Ms. Hoehne, seconded by Ms. Pataky. All in favor.

The Board invited the following individuals (in addition to Board members and its counsel, Richard Mills) into the executive session:

Denise Clemons, Superintendent

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Barbara Beebe, School Counselor

Steven Sedor, Attorney for the Administration

Student who is the subject of the hearing and Student's mother

Everyone excused for Board deliberations, except for Board counsel, Richard Mills. Approximately 7:06 p.m.

Board concludes deliberations. Approximately 8:10 p.m.

Meeting resumes at 8:25 p.m. All meeting participants return. Mr. Vergaro makes the following motion in open session:

MOVED, based on the evidence in the record, that with respect to the student who is the subject of the hearing, the Board finds that the conduct for which the student was expelled by the student's prior school district on or about December 21, 2016 also constitutes an expellable offense under Torrington Board of Education Policy 6192. Accordingly, the Board adopts the expulsion decision imposed by that prior

school district on or about December 21, 2016 and expels the student for the period through and including December 21, 2017, subject to the following conditions:

- 1) On or before April 25, 2017, the Administration shall provide written verification to counsel for the Board that a manifestation determination was made prior to the preceding school district's expulsion on or about December 21, 2016 and/or written verification that such a determination was not required to be done.
- 2) On or before April 25, 2017, the Administration shall provide to counsel for the Board a copy of the expulsion decision imposed by the prior district on or about December 21, 2016.
- 3) During the period of expulsion, the student shall be provided with an alternative education program as provided by law.
- 4) During the period of expulsion, the student shall not be allowed to enter any school property and/or participate in any school-sponsored events and activities, with the sole exception of his participation in the alternative education program.

Motion seconded by Ms. Hoehne. All in favor.

3. Ms. Hoehne moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. Pataky. All in favor. Meeting adjourned 8:29PM.