

WINDHAM BOARD OF EDUCATION  
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SPECIAL MEETING  
June 28, 2007

BOARD PRESENT: Chair Mr. Folan, Vice-chair Mrs. Rayhall, Mr. Adamo, Mr. Diaz  
BOARD ABSENT: Dr. Switchenko, Mrs. Haney, Mr. Doyle, Mrs. Collins, Mr. Clements  
ALSO: Superintendent Mr. Perzanoski, Shipman & Goodwin Attorney Ms. Santiago, Windham High School Principal Mr. Blain, Parents of Student A and Student A (entered at 5:45 PM and left at 6:31 PM), Grandparents of Student B and Student B (entered at 6:34 PM and left at 7:22 PM)

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mr. Folan called the June 28, 2007, special meeting of the Board of Education to order at 5:45 P.M., in the superintendent's office, room 220, second floor, Kramer building.

Motion of Mrs. Rayhall, seconded by Mr. Adamo, that the Board enter into executive session for discussion of exempt documents pertaining to student matters at 5:45 P.M.

On the motion: Aye, 4-0; unanimous.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

BOARD PRESENT: Chair Mr. Folan, Vice-chair Mrs. Rayhall, Mr. Adamo, Mr. Diaz  
ALSO: Superintendent Mr. Perzanoski, Shipman & Goodwin Attorney Ms. Santiago, Windham High School Principal Mr. Blain, Parents of Student A and Student A (entered at 5:45 PM and left at 6:31 PM)

REGULAR SESSION RECONVENES

Chair Mr. Folan reconvened regular session at 6:30 P.M.

Motion of Mr. Adamo, seconded by Mrs. Rayhall, that the Windham Board of Education find, based on the evidence in the record, that the student who is the subject of this hearing did, on June 13, 2007, possess a weapon on school grounds, which violated a publicized policy of the Board, endangered persons or property, and, thus, is an expellable offense. Moved further that the student who is the subject of this hearing shall be expelled from Windham Public Schools until June 28, 2008. During the period of expulsion, the Board shall provide the student with an alternative educational program. The alternative educational program shall include tutoring during the summer as determined by the administration. During the period of the expulsion, the student who is the subject of this hearing shall not be allowed to enter any school property and/or participate in any school-sponsored events and activities, including graduation ceremonies, except to participate in the alternative educational opportunity.

On the motion: Aye, 4-0; unanimous.  
(Parents of Student A and Student A left the meeting.)

(Grandparents of Student B and Student B entered the meeting.)

Motion of Mrs. Rayhall, seconded by Mr. Diaz, that the Board re-enter into executive session for discussion of exempt documents pertaining to student matters at 6:34 P.M.

On the motion: Aye, 4-0; unanimous.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

BOARD PRESENT: Chair Mr. Folan, Vice-chair Mrs. Rayhall, Mr. Adamo, Mr. Diaz

ALSO: Superintendent Mr. Perzanoski, Shipman & Goodwin Attorney Ms. Santiago, Windham High School Principal Mr. Blain, Grandparents of Student B and Student B (entered at 6:34 PM and left at 7:22 PM)

#### REGULAR SESSION RECONVENES

Chair Mr. Folan reconvened regular session at 7:19 P.M.

Motion of Mr. Adamo, seconded by Mrs. Rayhall, that the Windham Board of Education find, based on the evidence in the record, that the student who is the subject of this hearing did, on June 8, 2007, possess marijuana on school grounds which violated a publicized policy of the Board and thus is an expellable offense. Moved further that the student who is the subject of this hearing shall be expelled from Windham Public Schools until June 28, 2008 and moved further that the student may be permitted to re-enter school effective the first day of school in the 2007-08 school year on a probationary status, if the student satisfies all of the following conditions as determined by the administration. (1) The student must enter into and comply with a behavioral contract crafted by the administration, the student, the students' guardians, and the Planning and Placement Team; and (2) the student must comply with all Board of Education policies, rules and regulations concerning student conduct. If the administration determines that the student has failed to satisfy the conditions set forth in this motion or has committed any suspendable or expellable offense during the expulsion period, the probation period shall cease and the administration shall reinstate the student's expulsion for the remainder of the expulsion period. During the period of the expulsion, the student shall not be allowed to enter any school property and/or participate in any school-sponsored events and activities, including graduation ceremonies.

On the motion: Aye, 4-0; unanimous.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Motion of Mr. Adamo, seconded by Mr. Diaz, that the Board of Education adjourn its meeting at 7:22 P.M.

On the motion: 4-0; unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

John Adamo, Secretary