

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
February 24, 2020

A special meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held on February 24, 2020, in the Central Office. Board of Education member, Kathy Zandi called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m.

Members present: Shawna Goldfarb, Gerry Matthews, Jennifer Favalora and Kathy Zandi

Also present: Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Holly Hageman, Principal, Haddam-Killingworth High School, Donna Hayward, Haddam-Killingworth High School Assistant Principal, Adam Apicella, Pamela Hensel, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent, students' parent, grandparent and student.

At 11:03 a.m. Mr. Gerry Matthews **MOVED** and Ms. Shawna Goldfarb **SECONDED** the Board of Education enter Executive Session for discussion of a confidential student matter. *Motion passed unanimously.*

At 12:10 p.m. Mr. Gerry Matthews **MOVED** and Ms. Jennifer Favalora **SECONDED** a motion the Board return to public session. *Motion passed unanimously.*

At 12:13 p.m. Ms. Jennifer Favalora **MOVED** and Ms. Shawna Goldfarb **SECONDED** that the Regional School District No.17 Board of Education finds, based on the evidence in the record of this hearing, that on 2/11/20 student 22420 violated Board Policy # 5131.d; by being in possession of cannabis oil on school grounds; and, thus is an expellable offense. The Board of Education moves that the Student shall be expelled from Haddam-Killingworth High School for 180 school days. This expulsion will be held in abeyance and the student will be allowed to return to school on March 2, 2020 for as long as the following conditions are met. In addition

1. *Student shall participate in at least 1 counseling session per month outside school as arranged by her family for the duration of the expulsion period.*
2. *Student shall make academic progress throughout the period of expulsion.*
3. *Student will submit to and pass a monthly drug test for the duration of the expulsion conducted by an outside lab. Monthly drug test results must be submitted to High School Principal by the 1st of each month.*

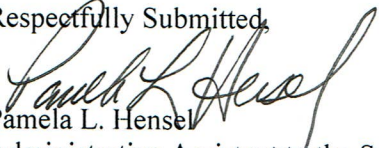
4. *Student will meet bi-weekly with the High School Principal.*

The student must make a good faith effort, complete all assignments and make good educational progress. Provided that following any such readmission, if the Administration determines that the Student has failed to satisfy any of the conditions set forth in this motion or has committed any suspendable or expellable offense during the expulsion period, the Administration shall reinstate the expulsion for the remainder of the expulsion period, without any further proceedings before the Board.

During any period of expulsion or during any subsequent reinstatement of the expulsion the student who is the subject of this hearing shall be provided an alternative educational opportunity by the Regional School District No. 17 Public Schools. Transportation for tutoring will not be provided by the District. During the expulsion period, the Student will not be allowed to enter any school property and/or participate in any school-sponsored events, and activities, except to comply with the above conditions.

At 12:21 p.m. Ms. Shawna Goldfarb MOVED and Ms. Jennifer Favalora SECONDED that the meeting be adjourned. *Motion passed unanimously.*

Respectfully Submitted,


Pamela L. Hense
Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent

Approval:


Jennifer Favalora, Secretary


Date