

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
September 24, 2019

A special meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held on September 24, 2019, in the Central Office. Board of Education Chairman, Joanne Nesti called the meeting to order at 2:01p.m.

Members present: Gerry Matthews, Kathy Zandi, Eileen Blewett and Joanne Nesti

Also present: Interim 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, student and student's Parents.

At 2:01 p.m. Mr. Gerry Matthews **MOVED** and Ms. Eileen Blewett **SECONDED** the Board of Education enter Executive Session for discussion of a confidential student matter. *Motion passed unanimously.*

At 3:13 p.m. Ms. Kathy Zandi **MOVED** and Mr. Gerry Matthews **SECONDED** a motion the Board return to public session. *Motion passed unanimously.*

At 3:15 p.m. Ms. Eileen Blewett **MOVED** and Mr. Gerry Matthews **SECONDED** that the Regional School District No.17 Board of Education finds, based on the evidence in the record of this hearing, that on September 12, 2019 student 92419 violated Board Policy # 5131.d; was found to be in possession of THC oil and vaping paraphernalia; 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. However, if the Student agrees to and completes, where appropriate, all of the following conditions, as determined by the Administration, the expulsion shall be held in abeyance and the student shall return to school on October 30, 2019.

1. *Student shall participate in at least 2 counseling sessions per month outside school as arranged by his 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.*
4. *Upon return, student will demonstrate no further disciplinary issues at the level of suspension or above.*


The student must make a good faith effort to attend school and class on time, 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 3:20 p.m. Mr. Gerry Matthews MOVED and Ms. Kathy Zandi SECONDED that the meeting be adjourned. *Motion passed unanimously.*

Respectfully Submitted,


Pamela L. Hensen
Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent

Approval:



Eileen Blewett, Secretary

10/1/19

Date