

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
January 25, 2022

A special meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held on January 25, 2022, via Google Meets Video Conference. Board of Education Vice Chairman, Jennifer Favalora called the meeting to order at 12:59 p.m.

Members present: Lisa Connelly, Kathleen Zandi and Jennifer Favalora

Also present: Superintendent of Schools, Jeffrey Wihbey, Principal, Haddam-Killingworth High School, Donna Hayward, Pamela Hensel, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent, student and students' parent and students guardians.

At 12:59 p.m. Ms. Kathleen Zandi **MOVED** and Ms. Lisa Connelly **SECONDED** the Board of Education enter Executive Session for discussion of a confidential student matter. *Motion passed unanimously.*

At 2:38 p.m. Ms. Kathleen Zandi **MOVED** and Ms. Lisa Connelly **SECONDED** a motion the Board return to public session. *Motion passed unanimously.*

At 2:39 p.m. Ms. Kathleen Zandi **MOVED** and Ms. Lisa Connelly **SECONDED** that the Regional School District No.17 Board of Education finds, based on the evidence in the record of this hearing, that on January 10, 2022 student 01252022 violated Board Policy # 5131.d; #15 and #17; and, thus is an expellable offense. The Board of Education moves that the Student shall be expelled from Haddam-Killingworth High School for one year. 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 the first day of the 4th marking period.

1. *Student shall participate in a drug education program arranged by his family.*
2. *Student shall make good academic progress throughout the period of expulsion.*
3. *Student will submit to and pass random drug tests for the duration of the expulsion conducted by an outside lab.*
4. *Student shall complete 25 hours of community service at the high school.*
5. *Upon return, the student shall submit to random searches if requested by school administrators.*
6. *Upon return, student will demonstrate no further disciplinary issues at the level of suspension or above.*
7. *Upon return, the student must make a good faith effort to attend school and class on time.*

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 2:44 p.m. Ms. Kathleen Zandi MOVED and Ms. Lisa Connelly SECONDED that the meeting be adjourned. *Motion passed unanimously.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela L. Hensel
Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent

Approval:

Joel D'Angelo, Secretary

Date