

**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 14
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES**

**SPECIAL MEETING
Wednesday, February 26, 2020
3:08 PM**

A special meeting of the Board of Education that was called for the purpose of conducting a student expulsion hearing convened at 3:08 PM.

MOTION by Michael Devine, seconded by Maryanne Van Aken, to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of conducting a student expulsion hearing, during which matters of personal privacy of students enrolled in the District's schools are likely to be discussed, and that the following persons be invited into Executive Session to assist in either giving testimony or evidence, or representation of the various parties to the proceedings: Dr. Joseph Olzacki, Superintendent of Schools, the student who is the subject of the expulsion proceedings, the parents of the student who is the subject of the expulsion proceedings, Attorney Mark Sommaruga, Board attorney and procedural advisor, and Dr. Taryn Fernandez, Assistant Principal.

AYE: Maryanne Van Aken, Michael Devine, and Carol Ann Brown. NAY: None.

MOTION PASSED (3-0)

The Board entered into Executive Session at 3:10 PM during which a student expulsion hearing took place.

Please note: the student, the parents, Dr. Olzacki and Dr. Fernandez a) left the Executive Session at 3:30 PM, b) came back into the Executive Session at 3:38 PM, and c) left the Executive Session at 3:40 PM.

The Board exited Executive Session at 3:46 PM.

MOTION by Michael Devine, seconded by Maryanne Van Aken, that:

1. The Board of Education adopt the Findings of Fact discussed in executive session regarding the student who was the subject of the expulsion hearing conducted in executive session.
2. That said student, as a consequence of the factual findings adopted by the Board, be expelled from participating in any phase of the Regional School District #14 educational program for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year. This includes expulsion from any and all school sponsored or school related curricular and extra-curricular classes, activities, programs, ceremonies, whether at school or other locations.
3. That said student may be given a meaningful alternative educational opportunity as determined by the administration, as discussed in executive session, including a Capstone project that will allow the student to graduate on July 15, 2020, should he satisfactorily complete said project.

AYE: Maryanne Van Aken, Michael Devine, and Carol Ann Brown. NAY: None.
MOTION PASSED (3-0)

MOTION by Michael Devine, seconded by Maryanne Van Aken, to adjourn the meeting.

AYE: Maryanne Van Aken, Michael Devine, and Carol Ann Brown. NAY: None.
MOTION PASSED (3-0)

Meeting adjourned at 3:49 PM.