

**CARMAN-AINSWORTH BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES**  
Student Discipline Subcommittee Meeting – Open Session  
Tuesday, August 27, 2024, 5:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m., by Acting President Koegel in the Conference Room of the Carman-Ainsworth Administration Building.

Members Present: La Cracha Handy, Lisa Koegel, Katina Wilborn (All members scheduled were present.)

Members Absent: Gary Cousins, James Johnson, Gloria Nealy, Shiri Weston

Others Present: Superintendent Ryan, Jennifer Thornton, Mother of Student A, Student A, Lisa Murphy and later Taylor Chapman, Bob Hetherington, Mother of Student B, Student B

**CALL TO ORDER**

Acting President Koegel called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Acting President Koegel noted there were no public comments.

**ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

There were no additions or changes to the agenda.

**CONSIDERATION OF STUDENT DISCIPLINE MATTERS**

Procedural Matters

Superintendent Ryan, the school district's designated Student Discipline Hearing Officer, reminded attendees this is an Open Session Meeting; all students must be referred by letter as per the memo dated August 27, 2024. Superintendent Ryan briefly explained procedural matters. The Board of Education Subcommittee will have an opportunity to ask questions and seek clarification. Once statements are complete, the Board will deliberate in Closed Session; the Board's decision will be conveyed in Open Session. Superintendent Ryan stated this meeting serves as a due process opportunity for students under consideration for reinstatement.

Consideration of Reinstatement – Student A

Addressing the Family of Student A, Superintendent Ryan inquired if an Open or Closed Hearing was preferred. The family requested a Closed Hearing.

Motion by Handy, supported by Koegel, that the Student Discipline Subcommittee convene a Closed Session to consider the recommendation of Student A, as requested by the family.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Handy, Koegel, Wilborn

Nays: None

Absent: None, all members scheduled were present.

Motion unanimously carried.

### Closed Session

The Closed Session Hearing convened at 5:34 p.m.

### Open Session

The Open Session reconvened at 5:40 p.m.

### Consideration of Reinstatement – Student A

Superintendent Ryan entertained a motion.

Motion by Handy, supported by Wilborn, that the Board approve conditionally, the Petition for Reinstatement of Student A as referenced in the Board's Student Discipline Subcommittee confidential memorandum dated August 27, 2024, as recommended by Superintendent Ryan.

### Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Handy, Koegel, Wilborn  
Nays: None  
Absent: None, all members scheduled were present.

Motion unanimously carried.

### **RECESS AND RECONVENE**

Superintendent Ryan requested a brief recess at 5:41 p.m. to speak with the family of Student A. The meeting reconvened at 5:46 p.m.

### Procedural Matters

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### Consideration of Reinstatement – Student B

Addressing the Family of Student B, Superintendent Ryan inquired if an Open or Closed Hearing was preferred. The family requested a Closed Hearing.

Motion by Handy, supported by Wilborn, that the Student Discipline Subcommittee convene a Closed Session to consider the recommendation of Student B, as requested by the family.

### Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Handy, Koegel, Wilborn  
Nays: None  
Absent: None, all members scheduled were present.

Motion unanimously carried.

Closed Session

The Closed Session Hearing convened at 5:48 p.m.

Open Session

The Open Session reconvened at 5:52 p.m.

Consideration of Reinstatement – Student B

Superintendent Ryan entertained a motion.

Motion by Handy, supported by Wilborn, that the Board approve conditionally, the Petition for Reinstatement of Student B as referenced in the Board’s Student Discipline Subcommittee confidential memorandum dated August 27, 2024, as recommended by Superintendent Ryan.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Handy, Koegel, Wilborn

Nays: None

Absent: None, all members scheduled were present.

Motion unanimously carried.

**RECESS AND RECONVENE**

Superintendent Ryan requested a brief recess at 5:53 p.m. to speak with the family of Student B. The meeting reconvened at 5:58 p.m.

**ADVANCED PLANNING**

Future Meeting

A Board of Education Student Discipline Subcommittee Meeting is scheduled for September 24, 2024, 5:30 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Acting President Koegel declared the Student Discipline Subcommittee Meeting adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

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La Cracha Handy, Secretary