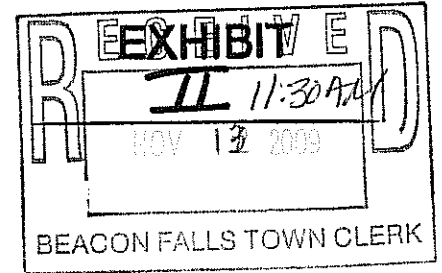


REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 16
Special Board of Education Meeting
October 20, 2009



BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

<i>Beacon Falls...</i>	Priscilla Cretella
<i>Prospect...</i>	Marie Delage Lisa DeGoes Robert Hiscox

STAFF PRESENT:

Mr. James C. Agostine, Superintendent of Schools
 Dr. Arnold Frank, Principal Woodland High School

OTHERS PRESENT:

Attorney Susan Scott – Region 16 Board Atty/Procedural Advisor
 Attorney Donald Strickland – Representing School Administration
 Public Stenographer
 Student and Student's Parent
 Attorney Philip Fazzone, Representing Student
 Trooper Anthony Cipriano

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Priscilla Cretella at 6:22 p.m. at the Region 16 District Office in Prospect, CT.

PURPOSE OF THE MEETING

The purpose of the meeting is to conduct a hearing on a student discipline issue. It is the intention of the Board to conduct the hearing in executive session. Once in executive session, the Board's Attorney, Ms. Susan Scott, acting as procedural advisor, will explain the procedures for this hearing.

A MOTION was made by Robert Hiscox and SECONDED by Marie Delage to enter into executive session at 6:23 p.m. for the purpose of conducting a student expulsion hearing, during which matters of personal privacy of one or more students enrolled in the Region 16 school system are likely to be discussed, by name, and during which educational records, not subject to disclosure under the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act, are likely to be discussed. Executive Session to include Mr. James Agostine, Dr. Frank, Attorney Scott, Attorney Strickland, public stenographer, the student, the student's parent, Attorney Fazzone, and Trooper Cipriano. ALL IN FAVOR. 09-171

At 7:25 p.m., Mr. James Agostine, Dr. Frank, Attorney Strickland, the public stenographer, the student, the student's parent, Attorney Fazzone, and Trooper Cipriano left the executive session.

They reconvened with the Board in executive session at 7:45 p.m.

The Board came out of Executive Session at 7:55 p.m.

Robert Hiscox MOVED and Lisa DeGoes SECONDED the motion that:

- (1) The Board of Education adopts 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 of Education, shall be expelled from participating in any phase of the educational program of the Regional School District No. 16 Board of Education for a period of one calendar year until October 6, 2010. 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) During the period of his expulsion, the student is prohibited from entering upon the premises or grounds of any Region 16 Public School facility and from attending any Region 16 Public Schools activity or function, whether on or off school grounds, including, but not limited to extra-curricular classes, activities, programs, or ceremonies except that the student may enter the Region 16 Board of Education offices located at 207 New Haven Road, Prospect, CT, in order to participate in aspects of his special education program, including attending PPT meetings;
- (4) If the student is found to be on the grounds of or in the buildings of any Region 16 school at any time, the school administration will make a complaint to the police for trespassing; and
- (5) That said student be given a meaningful alternative educational opportunity as determined by the administration and consistent with his special education program.

ALL IN FAVOR.

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ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION was made by Robert Hiscox and SECONDED by Marie Delage to adjourn the October 20, 2009, Special Board of Education Meeting at 8:00 p.m.

ALL IN FAVOR.

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Sincerely,

Marie Delage, Board Secretary

*These minutes are subject to Board approval.
Respectfully submitted by Lisa DeGoes, acting clerk.*