

LITCHFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
JUNE 15, 2011

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A special meeting of the Litchfield Board of Education was held on Wednesday, June 15, 2011, at 6:33 p.m. in the Litchfield Intermediate School Art Room.

Present were: Ms. Carr, Vice-Chairperson; Ms. Fabbri; Messrs. Falcetti, Katzin, Noone, Shuhi, and Mr. Gorman. Mr. Simone and Ms. Rosser were absent.

Also present were: Dr. Wheeler; Ms. Della Volpe, Ms. Kubisek, parent and student.

MOTION made by Mr. Shuhi and seconded by Mr. Gorman: to go into executive session at 6:35 p.m. for the purpose of discussing a student disciplinary matter and confidential student records protected by law. Dr. Wheeler, Ms. Della Volpe, Ms. Kubisek, parent and student were invited to attend.

MOTION carried. All votes were in the affirmative. There were no abstentions.

Open session resumed at 6:52 p.m.

MOTION made by Ms. Carr and seconded by Mr. Gorman: that based on the evidence in the record, that **Student A** be expelled for a period of one calendar year, effective June 16, 2011 and continuing through June 15, 2012, based on **Student A's** blackmailing, threatening or intimidating a school staff member, on or about June 5, 2011, subject to the following conditions:

- a) During the period of expulsion, the Board will provide **Student A** with an alternative educational opportunity deemed appropriate by the Administration.
- b) During the period of her expulsion, **Student A** will not be permitted to be on school grounds and will not be permitted to attend or participate in any school-sponsored activities, with the sole exception of her participation in the alternative education opportunity provided by the Board in accordance with the provisions of this motion.
- c) On or about August 31, 2011, the Administration shall review **Student A's** conduct, as well as her participation and effort level in the counseling program, provided by the district, that includes addressing her understanding of the seriousness of her actions in threatening the safety of school personnel. If the Administration determines that **Student A's** conduct, together with her attendance and effort level in the counseling program merits early readmission to school, the Administration may, in its sole discretion, readmit **Student A** to school on a probationary status, effective on or about September 1, 2011 as long as she complies with all Board policies, rules and

regulations concerning student conduct, and she has no arrests, on or off school property.

- d) If the Administration determines that **Student A** should be readmitted to school early in accordance with the preceding section, and if **Student A** subsequently commits any offense that would warrant suspension and/or expulsion under the policies of the Litchfield Board of Education, then the Administration may reinstate **Student A's** expulsion for the remainder of the expulsion period (through and including June 15, 2012), without the need for any further proceedings before the Litchfield Board of Education.

MOTION carried. All votes were in the affirmative, with the exception of Mr. Shuhi who voted nay.

MOTION made by Mr. Falcetti and seconded by Mr. Gorman: to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

MOTION carried. All votes were in the affirmative. There were no abstentions

Respectfully submitted,

Donald Falcetti, Secretary