

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
DECEMBER 11, 2006

A special meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held December 11, 2006, in the Central Office. Board of Education member Robert Baranoff called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Members present: Amy Jacques Purdy, Nancy Gorski, Robert Baranoff, Mark Almeida, Michael Trahan, and Richard Cabral.

Members absent: Jo Ferjak, Diane Stock, Robin Chasse, Daniel Cronin, and John O'Leary.

Also present: Superintendent of Schools Gary S. Mala, H-K Middle School Principal Mim Wagner, H-K Middle School Assistant Principal Michael Susi, Board Clerk Ann Lang, student, and student's parents.

Mr. Almeida **MOVED** and Mr. Cabral **SECONDED** the Board enter executive session to discuss a confidential student matter. Motion passed unanimously at 6:06 p.m.

Mr. Almeida **MOVED** and Mr. Cabral **SECONDED** the Board move out of executive session. Motion passed unanimously at 7:24 p.m.

Ms. Jacques-Purdy **MOVED** and Mr. Cabral **SECONDED** that the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education find, based on the evidence in the record of this hearing, that on December 1, 2006, the Student, 121106A, violated Board policy 5131, and was under the influence of marijuana, and, this is an expellable offense. The Student shall be expelled from Haddam-Killingworth Middle School for 45 days. If the Student satisfies all of the following conditions as determined by the administration, his/her expulsion may be held in abeyance and he/she may re-enter school December 15, 2006. The following conditions include:

1. The Student must attend and participate on a daily basis in the alternative educational program provided by the district in accordance with applicable statutes, and must make a good faith effort to make good educational progress in that program;
2. The Student must comply with all Board of Education policies, rules and regulations concerning student conduct;
3. The Student must attend ten counseling sessions with the substance abuse counselor. A minimum of two sessions will include the family;
4. The Student will submit negative monthly drug tests for the balance of the school year, at the parents' expense;

5. The Student will complete 60 hours of community service prior to the end of the 2006-07 school year. At least 10 hours of community service should be completed by the end of January and at least a total of 20 hours by the end of February, etc.;
6. Following any such readmission, the Student must make a good faith effort to attend school and class, complete all assignments and make good educational progress.

Provided that following any 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 further proceedings before the Board.

During the period of the expulsion the Student who is the subject of this hearing shall not be allowed to enter any school property or participate in any school-sponsored events and activities, including graduation ceremonies, except for his/her participation in the educational opportunities and counseling provided by the Regional School District No. 17 public schools.

Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Almeida **MOVED** and Mr. Cabral **SECONDED** that the meeting adjourn. Motion passed unanimously at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Lang, Board Clerk

Approval:

Amy Jacques-Purdy, Secretary

Date

Approved as presented at the January 2, 2007 Board of Education meeting.