

**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 7:45 p.m.

Members present: Amy Jacques Purdy, Robin Chasse, Robert Baranoff, Mark Almeida, John O'Leary, and Richard Cabral.

Members absent: Jo Ferjak, Diane Stock, Nancy Gorski, Daniel Cronin, and Michael Trahan.

Also present: Superintendent of Schools Gary S. Mala, H-K High School Principal Charles Macunas, H-K High School Associate Principal Priscilla Luoma, Board Clerk Ann Lang, student, student's parents, student's grandmother and student's neighbor.

Mr. Almeida **MOVED** and Mr. Cabral **SECONDED** the Board enter executive session to discuss a confidential student matter. Motion passed unanimously at 7:46 p.m.

Mr. Almeida **MOVED** and Mr. Cabral **SECONDED** the Board move out of executive session. Motion passed unanimously at 9:08 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, 121106B, 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 High School for 60 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 effective December 18, 2006. The following conditions are:

1. The Student must comply with all Board of Education policies, rules and regulations concerning student conduct;
2. The Student must attend ten counseling sessions with the substance abuse counselor; two should be with the entire family;
3. The Student must submit negative monthly drug screens for the balance of the 2006-07 school year. The costs of such tests shall be paid for by the parents;
4. The Student shall complete 60 hours of community service prior to the end of the school year. Ten hours shall be under the direction of the Director of Transportation. These community service hours shall not be credited toward graduation. In

completing these community service hours, at least 10 hours must be done by the end of January, 20 hours by the end of February, etc.;

5. 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 and/or participate in any school-sponsored events and activities, including graduation ceremonies, except for his/her participation in the educational opportunities 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 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Lang, Board Clerk

Approval:

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Amy Jacques-Purdy, Secretary

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Date

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