

**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL MEETING  
APRIL 12, 2006**

A special meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held April 12, 2006, in the Central Office. Board of Education member Mark Almeida called the meeting to order at 5:52 p.m.

Members present: Jo Ferjak, Mark Almeida and Michael Trahan.

Members absent: Diane Stock, Nancy Gorski, Amy Jacques-Purdy, Mary Withington, Robert Baranoff, Richard Cabral, Douglas Stevenson, and Daniel Cronin.

Also present: Superintendent of Schools Gary S. Mala, High School Associate Principal Jill MacDiarmid, Board Clerk Ann Lang, student, and student's father.

Ms. Ferjak **MOVED** and Mr. Trahan **SECONDED** the Board enter executive session for the purpose of discussing a confidential student matter. Motion passed unanimously at 5:53 p.m.

Ms. Ferjak **MOVED** and Mr. Trahan **SECONDED** the Board move out of executive session. Motion passed unanimously at 6:30 p.m.

*Ms. Ferjak **MOVED** and Mr. Trahan **SECONDED** that the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education find, based on the evidence in the record of this hearing, that on April 4, 2006, the Student, 041206, violated Board policy 5131, was in possession of a knife on school grounds, thus, is an expellable offense. The Student shall be expelled from Haddam-Killingworth High School until the end of the 2005-06 school year. And moved further that 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 041306. The conditions are:*

- 1. The Student must comply with all Board of Education policies, rules and regulations concerning student conduct;*
- 2. Following any such readmission, must make a good faith effort to attend school and class, complete all assignments and make good educational progress;*

*provided that following any such 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 any further proceedings before the Board. The district shall provide an alternative educational option to meet the student's needs during this period;*

*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 participation in the educational opportunity provided by the Regional School District No. 17 public schools.*

Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Ferjak **MOVED** and Mr. Trahan **SECONDED** that the meeting adjourn. Motion passed unanimously at 6:35 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 May 9, 2006 Board of Education meeting.**

*S:minutes:spec mtg exp hrg 4.12.06*