

**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL MEETING  
OCTOBER 2, 2006**

A special meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held October 2, 2006, in the Central Office. Board of Education member Mark Almeida called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

Members present: Amy Jacques Purdy, Diane Stock, Mark Almeida, Michael Trahan, John O'Leary and Richard Cabral.

Members absent: Nancy Gorski, Jo Ferjak, Douglas Stevenson, Daniel Cronin, and Robert Baranoff.

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

Mr. Cabral **MOVED** and Ms. Stock **SECONDED** the Board enter executive session for the purpose of discussing a confidential student matter. Motion passed unanimously at 7:33 p.m.

Mr. Cabral **MOVED** and Mr. Cabral (*correction: Ms. Stock*) **SECONDED** the Board move out of executive session. Motion passed unanimously at 9:02 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 September 19, 2006, the Student, 100206, violated Board policy 5131 (using Xanax and marijuana on school grounds) and is an expellable offense. The Student shall be expelled from Haddam-Killingworth High School for the balance of the 2006-07 school year. However, if the Student satisfies all of the following conditions as determined by the administration, he/she may re-enter school at the beginning of the second semester. The conditions are the following:

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 such a program;
2. The Student must comply with all Board of Education policies, rules and regulations concerning student conduct;
3. The Student must participate in an individual counseling program which has a focus on substance abuse and is acceptable to the administration, costs of which will be paid for by the family;
4. The Student will submit negative monthly drug tests for the balance of the 2006-07 school year. The costs of these will also be paid by the family;

5. The Student will complete 30 hours of community service (not to be credited to the graduation requirement) prior to any January readmission;
6. The Student will complete a minimum of ten counseling sessions with the school social worker, five of which will take place prior to readmission, and at least two of the ten must involve the family;
7. The Student will also participate in a minimum of five sessions of an extra-curricular activity prior to the beginning of the fourth quarter;

Provided that any such readmission re-occur, 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.

During the period of the expulsion the Student 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 and counseling by the Regional School District No. 17 public schools.

Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Cabral **MOVED** and Ms. Jacques-Purdy **SECONDED** that the meeting adjourn.  
Motion passed unanimously at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Lang, Board Clerk

Approval:

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Amy Jacques-Purdy, Secretary

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Date

**Approved as corrected at the November 7, 2006 Board of Education meeting.**