

**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
JUNE 6, 2006**

A special meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held on June 6, 2006, in the Central Office. Board of Education Vice-Chair Jo Ferjak called the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m.

Members present: Amy Jacques Purdy, Jo Ferjak, and Robert Baranoff.

Members absent: Diane Stock, Nancy Gorski, Mark Almeida, Richard Cabral, Douglas Stevenson, Daniel Cronin, and Michael Trahan.

Also present: Superintendent of Schools Gary S. Mala, H-K High School Associate Principal Connie Bombaci, Board Clerk Ann Lang, and student's mother.

Ms. Jacques-Purdy **MOVED** and Mr. Baranoff **SECONDED** that the Board enter executive session for the purpose of discussing a confidential student matter. Motion passed unanimously at 6:39 p.m.

Ms. Jacques-Purdy **MOVED** and Mr. Baranoff **SECONDED** that the Board move out of executive session. Motion passed unanimously at 7:50 p.m.

*Ms. Jacques-Purdy **MOVED** and Mr. Baranoff **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 6, 2006, the Student, 060606, violated Board policy 5131, smoking marijuana on school grounds, and, thus, is an expellable offense. The Student shall be expelled from Haddam-Killingworth High School for a period of 180 days. The Student may be readmitted the day after the holiday break (early January) if the following conditions are met:*

- 1. The Student must attend and participate on a daily basis in the alternative education 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 participate regularly and make a good faith effort to make good progress in a substance abuse rehabilitation program acceptable to the administration, with any costs of such counseling to be paid for by the Student effective immediately and continuing through the expulsion period;*
- 4. The Student must submit negative monthly drug screens completed at the expense of the Student and/or the Student's parents for a period of one year commencing in June 2006;*

5. *The Student will complete 40 hours of community service prior to readmission and complete an additional 20 hours of community service before the end of the 2006-07 school year. The Student will sign a contract agreeing to complete the additional hours. These community service hours are in addition to the Haddam-Killingworth High School graduation requirements;*
6. *The Student, following any such readmission, must continue to 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 by 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, except for her participation in the educational opportunity as determined by the PPT process provided by Regional School District No. 17, and to attend her brother's graduation in June 2006 under the supervision of her parents.

Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Jacques-Purdy **MOVED** and Mr. Baranoff **SECONDED** that the meeting adjourn.
Motion passed unanimously at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Lang, Board Clerk

Approval:

Amy Jacques-Purdy, Secretary

Date

Approved as presented at the July 11, 2006 Board of Education meeting.