

**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 28, 2006**

A special meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held September 28, 2006, in the Central Office. Board of Education Chair Robert Baranoff called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

Members present: Amy Jacques Purdy, Jo Ferjak, John O'Leary 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 Principal Charles Macunas, H-K Associate Principal Connie Bombaci, Board Clerk Ann Lang, student, and student's parents.

Ms. Ferjak **MOVED** and Ms. Jacques-Purdy **SECONDED** the Board enter executive session. Motion passed unanimously at 7:35 p.m.

Ms. Jacques-Purdy **MOVED** and Ms. Ferjak **SECONDED** the Board move out of executive session. Motion passed unanimously at 8:25 p.m.

Ms. Jacques-Purdy **MOVED** and Ms. Ferjak **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, 092806B, violated Board policy 5131 distributed Xanax on school grounds, and, this, 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, his/her expulsion may be suspended, and he/she may re-enter school effective November 1, 2006. The conditions are:

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 participate regularly and make a good faith effort in an individual counseling program acceptable to the administration, with such costs to be paid by the Student;
4. The Student will complete 15 hours of community service prior to readmission and 15 additional hours prior to the end of the school year. Hours of community service will not be credited to the graduation requirement;

5. In addition, upon return, the Student will engage in ten counseling sessions with the school social worker, two of which will involve family members;

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.

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 school district.

Motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Jacques-Purdy **MOVED** and Ms. Ferjak **SECONDED** that the meeting adjourn. Motion passed unanimously at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Lang, Board Clerk

Approval:

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Amy Jacques-Purdy, Secretary

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Date