

**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 29, 2006**

A special meeting of the Regional School District No. 17 Board of Education was held September 29, 2006, in the Central Office. Board of Education member Amy Jacques-Purdy called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

Members present: Amy Jacques Purdy, Diane Stock, and Richard Cabral.

Members absent: Nancy Gorski, Jo Ferjak, Mark Almeida, Douglas Stevenson, Daniel Cronin, John O'Leary, Robert Baranoff, and Michael Trahan.

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. Motion passed unanimously at 8:36 a.m.

Mr. Cabral *MOVED* and Ms. Stock *SECONDED* the Board move out of executive session. Motion passed unanimously at 9:55 a.m.

Ms. Stock *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 20, 2006, the Student, 092906A, violated Board policy 5131 (in possession of drug paraphernalia, lighter, and cigar 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 on November 1, 2006. The conditions are the following:

1. 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. Must comply with all Board of Education policies, rules and regulations concerning student conduct;
3. Will participate in ten counseling sessions with the substance abuse counselor at Haddam-Killingworth High School, two of these sessions must include the family;
4. Will participate in three sessions of an extra-curricular activity offered at Haddam-Killingworth High School prior to January 1, 2007;

5. Will complete 30 hours of community service prior to January 1, 2007. This amount is additional to the graduation requirement;
6. Will submit negative monthly drug tests for the balance of the 2006-07 school year, the cost to be paid by the family;
7. The Student will meet regularly with his/her school guidance counselor concerning his/her educational progress and behavior (minimum of two times a month) for the balance of 2006-07.

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 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.

Ms. Stock ***MOVED*** and Mr. Cabral ***SECONDED*** that the meeting adjourn. Motion passed unanimously at 10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Lang, Board Clerk

Approval:

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Amy Jacques-Purdy, Secretary

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Date