

LITCHFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
OCTOBER 26, 2011

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A special meeting of the Litchfield Board of Education was held on Wednesday, October 26, 2011, at 6:30 p.m. in the Central Office Conference Room.

Members Present: Ms. Carr, Mr. Falcetti, Mr. Simone, Mr. Noone, Mr. Shuhi and Mr. Katzin.

Also present were: Dr. Wheeler; Ms. Della Volpe; Ms. Kubisek and parents of Student A.

MOTION made by Ms. Carr and seconded by Mr. Shuhi: to go into executive session at 6:31 p.m. to discuss a student disciplinary matter and confidential student records protected by law. Dr. Wheeler, Ms. Della Volpe, Ms. Kubisek and parents of Student A were invited to attend.

MOTION carried. All votes were in the affirmative. There were no abstentions.

Open session resumed at 6:45 p.m.

MOTION made by Ms. Carr and seconded by Mr. Noone: that based on the evidence in the record, that **Student A** be expelled for a period of one calendar year, effective October 27, 2011 and continuing through October 26, 2012, based on **Student A's** conduct in offering for sale or distribution a controlled substance off school grounds, on or about September 28, 2011, subject to the following conditions:

- a) During the period of expulsion, the Board will provide **Student A** with an alternative educational opportunity deemed appropriate by the Administration.
- b) During the period of his expulsion, **Student A** will not be permitted to be on school grounds and will not be permitted to attend or participate in any school-sponsored activities, with the sole exception of his participation in the alternative education opportunity provided by the Board in accordance with the provisions of this motion.
- c) During the period of his expulsion, Student A will participate in 30 hours of community service, site to be determined by the family and school administration.

- d) On or about January 27, 2012, at the start of the third marking period, **Student A** shall be permitted to re-enter school on a probationary status, if he satisfactorily participates in the alternative educational opportunity provided by the district in accordance with applicable statutes, as outlined above, he complies with all Board policies, rules and regulations concerning student conduct, and he has no further drug related violations or arrests, on or off school property.
- e) If the Administration determines that **Student A** should be readmitted to school early on a probationary status in accordance with the preceding section, and if **Student A** subsequently commits any offense that would warrant suspension and/or expulsion under the policies of the Litchfield Board of Education, then the Administration may reinstate **Student A's** expulsion for the remainder of the expulsion period (through and including October 26, 2012), without the need for any further proceedings before the Litchfield Board of Education.

The Board of Education discussed the motion and the related State statute.

MOTION carried. Mr. Falcetti, Mr. Shuhi, Mr. Katzin, Ms. Carr and Mr. Noone voted in the affirmative. Mr. Simone opposed.

MOTION made by Ms. Carr and seconded by Mr. Shuhi: to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

MOTION carried. All votes were in the affirmative. There were no abstentions.

Respectfully submitted,
Donald Falcetti, Secretary