

Minutes
THOMASTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
Special Meeting
Thomaston Town Hall – Meeting Room One
Date: Monday, December 12, 2011
6:00 p.m.

Members: **Rebecca Guay, Alexander Lee, Debra Schriver, Roxy Fainer, Anne Petrucci, Holly Herbert, Joanne Gilland, Kathleen Freimuth, Lucy Santopietro**

Board Members Present:

Rebecca Guay, Alexander Lee, Debra Schriver, Roxy Fainer, Anne Petrucci, Holly Herbert, Joanne Gilland, Kathleen Freimuth

Call to Order:

Superintendent of Schools Lynda Mitchell called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. for the purpose of conducting a student expulsion hearing.

Executive Session:

Motion for executive session made at 6:06 p.m. by Roxy Fainer, seconded by Alexander Lee; no discussion; motion passed unanimously at 6:07 p.m.

MOTION: That the Board enter executive session to discuss a matter involving the expulsion of a student, which would likely result in the disclosure of public records or the information contained therein as described in Connecticut General Statutes Section 1-210(b)(11) and (17).

The following individuals were invited into executive session:

The student who is the subject of the expulsion hearing;
The parent of the student who is the subject of the expulsion hearing;
The aunt of the student who is the subject of the expulsion hearing;
Lynda Mitchell, Superintendent of Schools;
Jonathan Kozlak, Assistant Principal, Thomaston High School;
Melanie Dunn, Attorney for the Thomaston Board of Education
Susan Graham, Family Outreach Worker, Town of Thomaston

All present were excused for deliberations, except for Board Attorney Melanie Dunn, at 6:25 p.m.

Everyone return into executive session at 6:43 p.m.

Public Session:

The Board moved back into public session at 6:45 p.m.

Motions:

Motion to expel the student made by Roxy Fainer at 6:46 p.m., seconded by Rebecca Guay; no discussion; motion passed unanimously at 6:47 p.m.

MOTION: That the Thomaston Board of Education adopt in its entirety the Stipulation entered into the record as Joint Exhibit 1 and that, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 10-233d, and consistent with the terms of the Stipulation, the Board expel the student discussed in executive session. The Stipulation shall constitute the written communication to the parties regarding the Board's decision and the reasons therefore, consistent with the Board's discussion in executive session.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn by Holly Herbert made at 6:48 p.m., seconded by Kathleen Freimuth; no discussion; motion passed unanimously at 6:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMASTON BOARD OF EDUCATION