

Thomaston Board of Education
Special Meeting
Thomaston Town Hall
First Selectman's Conference Room
October 1, 2008
6:00 p.m.
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Present:

Deborah April, Steve Catania, Holly Herbert, Cheryl Roberts

Presiding Board member:

Steve Catania

Call to Order:

Presiding Board Member, Steve Catania called to order the Special Meeting of the Thomaston Board of Education at 6:00 pm

Approval of Agenda:

Motion to approve agenda made by Steven Catania, seconded by Deborah April; no discussion; motion passed unanimously (4-0) at 6:01 pm.

Executive Session:

Motion for executive session made by Deborah April, seconded by Holly Herbert; no discussion; motion passed unanimously (4-0) at 6:02 pm.

Move that the Board enter Executive Session to discuss a matter that would result in the disclosure of public records or the information contained therein as described in Connecticut General Statutes Sections 1-210(b)(2) ,(11) and (17). Only those invited by the Board may be present in the Executive Session, including:

Lynda Mitchell, Superintendent of Schools
John Perrucci, Assistant Principal, Thomaston High School
Nicholas Grello, Board Attorney
The Student who is the subject of this proceeding
The Parents of the Student

6:05 pm everyone excused for deliberations, except for Board Attorney Nicholas Grello.

6:10 pm: back in executive session. Everyone returned into the executive session.

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Public Session:

Motion to exit executive session made by Deborah April, seconded by Holly Herbert. No discussion. Motion passed unanimously (4-0) at 6:23 pm.

Board exited executive session at 6:23 pm.

Board Motion:

Deborah April made motion to expel the student, seconded by Steve Catania; no discussion; motion passed unanimously (4-0) at 6:24 pm.

Move that the Thomaston Board of Education shall 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 of Education shall 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 executive session discussion.

SECOND HEARING

Executive Session:

Motion for executive session made by Deborah April, seconded by Holly Herbert; no discussion; motion passed unanimously (4-0) at 6:26 pm.

Move that the Board enter Executive Session to discuss a matter that would result in the disclosure of public records or the information contained therein as described in Connecticut General Statutes Sections 1-210(b)(2) ,(11) and (17). Only those invited by the Board may be present in the Executive Session, including:

Lynda Mitchell, Superintendent of Schools
John Perrucci, Assistant Principal, Thomaston High School
Nick Grello, Board Attorney
The Student who is the subject of this proceeding

The Parent of the Student

6:28 pm everyone excused for deliberations, except for Board Attorney Nicholas Grello.

6:30 pm back in executive session. Everyone returned into the executive session.

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Public Session:

Motion to exit executive session made by Deborah April, seconded by Cheryl Roberts. No discussion. Motion passed unanimously (4-0) at 6:48 pm.

Board exited executive session at 6:49 pm.

Board Motion:

Deborah April made motion to expel the student, seconded by Steve Catania; no discussion; motion passed unanimously (4-0) at 6:50 pm.

Move that the Thomaston Board of Education shall 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 of Education shall 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 executive session discussion.

Adjournment:

Steve Catania moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:54 pm, seconded by Deborah April, no discussion; motion passed unanimously (4-0) at 6:55 pm.