



## **Board of Education Special Meeting**

March 18, 2019 4:30 PM  
Board Meeting Room  
Administrative Offices  
137-B Glenwood Road  
Clinton, CT 06413

### **Item 1: Call to Order.**

The meeting was called to order at 4:32 p.m.

Those Board members in attendance were Erica Gelven, Sandy Luke, Catherine Staunton, and Michael Hornyak.

Also in attendance were: Maryann O'Donnell, Superintendent of Schools; Keri Hagness, Principal of The Morgan School; Tyler Webb, Assistant Principal of the Morgan School; Kevin M. Roy, Board counsel; the student; parents; and student's legal counsel.

### **Item 2: Motion to go into executive session for a confidential student disciplinary hearing.**

**Time: 4:34 p.m.**

**Proposed by: Erica Gelven**  
**Seconded by: Michael Hornyak**  
**Vote: All voted yes**

The Board conducted a hearing in executive session regarding a confidential student disciplinary matter.

The Board recessed at 5:15 p.m. to deliberate over the confidential student disciplinary matter and continued its deliberations until 5:24 p.m.

Upon deliberating, the Board entered back into open session at 5:25 p.m. At that time, the Board made the following motion:

#### **Motion:**

Moved, that the Student did, on or about February 28, 2019, willfully struck and assaulted a fellow student, which is a violation of Board policy 5114 and is an expellable offense.

**Time: 5:25 p.m.**

**Proposed by: Erica Gelven**  
**Seconded by: Catherine Staunton**  
**Vote: All voted yes. Motion carried.**

### **Item 3: Motion to go back into executive session for a confidential student disciplinary hearing.**

**Time: 5:26 p.m.**

**Proposed by: Erica Gelven**  
**Seconded by: Michael Hornyak**  
**Vote: All voted yes**

The Board conducted a hearing in executive session regarding a confidential student disciplinary matter.

The Board recessed at 5:55 p.m. to deliberate over the confidential student disciplinary matter and continued its deliberations until 6:05 p.m.

Upon deliberating, the Board entered back into open session at 6:06 p.m. At that time, the Board made the following motion:

**Motion:**

Moved, further, that the expulsion will be for one calendar year and run from March 1, 2019 to March 1, 2020 with a provision for the Student to be able to return to school on the first day of the 2019-2020 school year so long as the follow conditions are met.

During the period of expulsion, the Student shall not be allowed on school grounds or at any school-sponsored activity.

During the period of expulsion, the Student shall receive an alternative education opportunity as determined by administration, and will comply with all requirements of the alternative education opportunity as determined by administration.

During the period of expulsion, the Student shall participate in a counseling program with an anger management element. The program will be coordinated between the school administration and the family.

On our about the week of August 15, 2019, the Superintendent will review the Student's performance in his/her alternative academic program, his/her participation in counseling, and compliance with court requirements, if any, to determine whether to allow the Student to return to school beginning on the first day of school for the 2019-2020 school year.

Prior to his/her return to school, the Student will participate in a re-entry conference with administration.

In the event that the Student successfully complete the terms of the expulsion and does not exhibit behavior that necessitates further disciplinary action, the expulsion shall be expunged from his/her student records upon graduation.

Upon the return to school, if the Student violates any school or Board policy, the full-term of the expulsion may be reinstated by the Superintendent of Schools.

**Proposed by: Sandy Luke**  
**Seconded by: Erica Gelven**  
**Vote: All voted yes**

**Item 4: Adjournment.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by C. Cannamela