

LITCHFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
APRIL 6, 2011

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A special meeting of the Litchfield Board of Education was held on Wednesday, April 6, 2011, at 8:25 p.m. in the Litchfield Intermediate School art room.

Present were: Mr. Simone, Chairperson; Ms. Carr; Ms. Fabbri; Ms. Rosser; Messrs. Falcetti, Gorman, Katzin and Shuhi.

Also present were: Dr. Wheeler; Ms. Della Volpe; and Ms. Kubisek.

MOTION made by Ms. Carr and seconded by Mr. Gorman: to go into executive session at 8:25 p.m. for the purpose of discussing multiple student disciplinary matters and confidential student records protected by law. Dr. Wheeler, Ms. Della Volpe and Mrs. Kubisek were invited to attend.

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

Open session resumed at 9:12 p.m.

MOTION made by Mr. Falcetti and seconded by Ms. Fabbri: that based upon the evidence in the record, that **Student A** be expelled for a period of one calendar year, effective April 6, 2011 and continuing through April 3, 2012, based on **Student A**'s conduct in possessing and/or offering for sale or distribution a controlled substance on school grounds, on or about March 25, 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.

MOTION carried. All votes were in the affirmative except for Mr. Katzin and Mr. Simone. There were no abstentions.

MOTION made by Ms. Carr and seconded by Ms. Fabbri: that based upon the evidence in the record, that **Student B** be expelled for a period of one calendar year, effective April 6, 2011 and continuing through April 3, 2012, based on **Student B's** conduct in possessing and/or offering for sale or distribution a controlled substance on school grounds, on or about March 25, 2011 subject to the following conditions:

- a) During the period of expulsion, the Board will provide **Student B** with an alternative educational opportunity deemed appropriate by the Administration.
- b) During the period of his expulsion, **Student B** 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) On or about August 31, 2011, the Administration shall review **Student B's** conduct, as well as his participation and effort level in the alternative opportunity. If the Administration determines that **Student B's** conduct, together with this attendance and effort level in the alternative educational opportunity, merits early readmission to school, the Administration may, in its sole discretion, readmit **Student B** to school, effective on or about September 1, 2011.
- d) If the Administration determines that **Student B** should be readmitted to school early in accordance with the preceding section, and if **Student B** 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 B's** expulsion for the remainder of the expulsion period (through and including April 3, 2012), without the need for any further proceedings before the Litchfield Board of Education.

MOTION carried. All votes were in the affirmative except for Mr. Katzin and Mr. Simone. There were no abstentions.

MOTION made by Ms. Carr and seconded by Mr. Gorman: that based upon the evidence in the record, that **Student C** be expelled for a period of one calendar year, effective April 6, 2011 and continuing through April 3, 2012, based on **Student C's** conduct in possessing and/or offering for sale or distribution a controlled substance on school grounds, on or about March 25, 2011 subject to the following conditions:

- a) During the period of expulsion, the Board will provide **Student C** with an alternative educational opportunity deemed appropriate by the Administration.
- b) During the period of her expulsion, **Student C** 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 her participation in the alternative education opportunity provided by the Board in accordance with the provisions of this motion.
- c) On or about August 31, 2011, the Administration shall review **Student C's** conduct, as well as her participation and effort level in the alternative opportunity. If the Administration determines that **Student C's** conduct, together with this attendance and effort level in the alternative educational opportunity, merits early readmission to school, the Administration may, in its sole discretion, readmit **Student C** to school, effective on or about September 1, 2011.
- d) If the Administration determines that **Student C** should be readmitted to school early in accordance with the preceding section, and if **Student C** 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 C's** expulsion for the remainder of the expulsion period (through and including April 3, 2012), without the need for any further proceedings before the Litchfield Board of Education.

MOTION carried. All votes were in the affirmative except for Mr. Noone. There were no abstentions.

MOTION made by Ms. Carr and seconded by Mr. Gorman: to adjourn the meeting at 9:17 p.m.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Donald Falcetti, Secretary