WINDHAM BOARD OF EDUCATION WILLIMANTIC, CONNECTICUT

MINUTES SPECIAL MEETING

January 19, 2005

BOARD PRESENT: Chair Mr. Folan, Mr. Adamo, Mr. Clements, Mrs. Haney, Mrs. Collins

BOARD ABSENT: Vice-Chair Mrs. Rayhall, Dr. Switchenko, Mr. Diaz, Mr. Doyle

ALSO: Superintendent Mr. Perzanoski, Windham High School Principal Mr. Blain, Windham High School Assistant Principal Mr. Almeida, Windham High School Security Officer Mr. Olmo, School Psychologist Ms. Riera, Shipman & Goodwin Attorney Ms. Mylod, Sister

and Guardian of Student A, and Student A

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mr. Folan called the January 19, 2005, special meeting of the Board of Education to order at 6:40 P.M., in the superintendent's office, room 220, second floor, Kramer building.

CITIZENS/DELEGATIONS

There were none.

Motion of Mr. Clements, seconded by Mr. Adamo, that the Board enter into executive session for discussion of exempt documents pertaining to a student matter at 6:40 P.M.

On the motion: Aye, 5-0; unanimous.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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REGULAR SESSION RECONVENES

Chair Mr. Folan reconvened regular session at 7:10 P.M.

Motion of Mr. Adamo, seconded by Mr. Clements, that the Board of Education finds that the student who is the subject of this hearing did engage in the following conduct: possession of a controlled substance on school grounds and this constitutes an expellable offense.

On the motion: 5-0; unanimous.

Motion of Mr. Adamo, seconded by Mr. Clements, that the Board re-enter into executive session for discussion of exempt documents pertaining to a student matter at 7:11 P.M.

On the motion: Aye, 5-0; unanimous.

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REGULAR SESSION RECONVENES

Chair Mr. Folan reconvened regular session at 7:56 P.M.

Motion of Mr. Adamo, seconded by Mrs. Haney, that the Board of Education moves that the student who is the subject of this hearing shall be expelled from all school property and school-sponsored events for a period 365 days and that during this period, the student shall be offered an alternative educational opportunity to be determined by the Administration. Provided that the student completes all graduation requirements and does not engage in any misconduct that would result in suspension or expulsion, the student shall be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony and Project Graduation, the after-celebration, at Windham High School in June 2005.

On the motion: 5-0; unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion of Mr. Adamo, seconded by Mrs. Haney, that the Board of Education adjourn its meeting at 7:58 P.M. On the motion: 5-0; unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

John Adamo, Secretary