

PROCEEDINGS
Board of Education
Alton Community Unit School District No. 11
1854 East Broadway
Alton, IL 62002
September 19, 2017
5:15 p.m.

A special meeting of the Board of Education was held at the Administrative Center, 1854 East Broadway, Alton, Illinois at 5:15 a.m. on Tuesday, September 19, 2017.

The following board members answered present: David Fritz, Ed Gray, Vivian Monckton, David Lauschke, David Goins and Rosetta Brown

Others who were present: Mark Cappel, Superintendent; Mike Bellm, Alton High School Principal; Amy Golley, Alton High School Assistant Principal; John Cunningham, Hearing Officer; Deputy Laura Pohlman, Alton Police Department-SRO and Kara Twichell, Secretary to the Board of Education

Student ##217951, and mother were present.

Motion: Approval of Agenda of Special Meeting

It was moved by Ms. Monckton, seconded by Mr. Lauschke and carried unanimously that the Board of Education approve the agenda of a special meeting.

Citizen Statement: None

Motion: Close Session

It was moved by Ms. Monckton, seconded by Mr. Lauschke and carried unanimously that the Board of Education adjourn to a closed session meeting for the purpose of conducting a student disciplinary hearing.

Motion: Open Session

It was moved by Ms. Monckton, seconded by Ms. Brown and carried unanimously that the Board of Education resume in open session.

Motion: Action on Student Discipline Hearing

It was moved by Ms. Monckton, seconded by Mr. Lauschke and carried unanimously that the Board of Education, after considering evidence and mitigation witnesses, finds as follows: based upon and after the Board's consideration of the evidence and testimony of the expulsion hearing held on September 18, 2017, the Board of Education finds that Student #217951 has committed an act of gross misconduct as charged by the District's Administration in that Student #217951 committed Assault and Battery, Weapons or look-alike Weapons including look-alike and toy guns, Disorderly Conduct and Engaging in Activity that Constitutes an Interference with School Purposes and Educational Function on September 6, 2017 in violation of Board Policy 7:210 Expulsion Procedures.

Be it resolved that the Board of Education expel Student #217951 for one year (September 19, 2017 through September 19, 2018; and return on August 20, 2018 under Principal's Probation, pending good grades, attendance and discipline), but that the expulsion be held in abeyance and Student #217951 be administratively transferred to an alternative school as determined by the District's Administration, pursuant to Article 13A of the Illinois School Code. Prior to considering a recommendation for expulsion, the District's Administration attempted other behavioral and disciplinary interventions and determined there are no other appropriate and available behavioral and disciplinary interventions.

General Interventions for the Classroom:

The Student Handbook and Agenda that is passed out at Registration.

The Back-to-School Assembly and PBIS Assemblies covers student behavior and expectations

Suspended Curriculum is presented in each classroom over the first two days of school.

There is signage at various locations around the school to remind students of expectations at Alton Middle School.

Expellable offenses are covered by administration during Quarterly PBIS Assemblies.

The expulsion being held in abeyance is contingent upon the student's full participation in the alternative school program, including regularly attending school; complying with attendance policies, school rules, and any referrals for services or counseling made by the alternative school; and successfully completing the alternative school's curriculum.

I move that should Student #217951 fail to fully participate in the alternative school program and the alternative school refers the student back to the District, Student #217951 shall be immediately expelled from Alton Community Unit School District #11 for the remainder of the District Administration's recommended expulsion duration. DOB 10/4/2002

President Gray adjourned the meeting at 5:55 p.m.

Board President

Board Secretary