

PROCEEDINGS
Board of Education
Alton Community Unit School District No. 11
1854 East Broadway
Alton, IL 62002
October 30, 2017
7:30 a.m.

A special meeting of the Board of Education was held at the Administrative Center, 1854 East Broadway, Alton, Illinois at 7:31 a.m. on Monday, October 30, 2017.

The following board members answered present: David Fritz, Ed Gray, David Lauschke, Barry Macias and Rosetta Brown Arrived after roll call: Vivian Monckton Absent: David Goins

Others who were present: Mark Cappel, Superintendent; Mike Bellm, Alton High School Principal, Mike Brey, Alton High School Assistant Principal; Karen Botterbush, Special Education Supervisor; Larry Busch, Hearing Officer; Deputy Jeremy Dunham Madison County Sheriff's Office-SRO and Kara Twichell, Secretary to the Board of Education

Student #180531 nor parent were present

Motion: Approval of Agenda of Special Meeting

It was moved by Mr. Fritz, 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 Mr. Fritz, 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 Thursday, October 26, 2017, the Board of Education finds that Student #180531 has committed an act of gross misconduct as charged by the District's Administration in that Student #180531 committed Assault and Battery and Engaging in Activity that Constitutes an Interference with School Purposes and Educational Function on October 17, 2017 in violation of Board Policy 7:210 Expulsion Procedures.

Be it resolved that the Board of Education expel Student #180531 for one year and 7 months (October 30, 2017 through 2018-2019 school year), but that the expulsion be held in abeyance and Student #180531 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 covers student behavior and expectations
Suspended Curriculum is presented in each classroom over the first two days of school.
There is supervision in the halls where the students travel between classes and lunch periods.

Specific Interventions for Student #180531

He has a 504 plan for his seizure disorder
He has a medical sticker on his ID which allows him to see the nurse as needed
He has been to see his counselor multiple times when he was upset in class
He can go see his social worker if needed
His bus pick-up was moved to the flagpole to better accommodate his medical needs depending on the weather

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 #180531 fail to fully participate in the alternative school program and the alternative school refers the student back to the District, Student #180531 shall be immediately expelled from Alton Community Unit School District #11 for the remainder of the District Administration's recommended expulsion duration. DOB 11-5-99

President Gray adjourned the meeting at 7:50 a.m.

Board President

Board Secretary