

PROCEEDINGS  
Board of Education  
Alton Community Unit School District No. 11  
550 Landmarks Blvd., Suite A  
Alton, IL 62002  
November 12, 2018 E-1  
8:45 a.m.

A special meeting of the Board of Education was held at the 550 Landmarks Blvd., Suite A, Alton, Illinois at 8:58 a.m. on November 12, 2018.

The following board members answered present: David Fritz, Ed Gray, David Lauschke, Vivian Monckton, Barry Macias and David Goins      Absent: Barry Macias

Others who were present: Mark Cappel, Superintendent; Mike Bellm, Alton High School Principal; Larry Busch, Hearing Officer and Kara Twichell, Secretary to the Board of Education

Student # 220541 and father were present.

**Motion: Approval of Agenda of Special Meeting**

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

Citizen Statement: None

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**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 Mr. Lauschke 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 November 6, 2018, the Board of Education finds that Student # 220541 has committed an act of gross misconduct as charged by the District's Administration in that Student # 220541 committed: Fighting/Entering into an Existing Fight and Engaging in Activity that Constitutes an Interference with School Purposes and Educational Function on October 23, 2018 in violation of Board Policy 7:210 Expulsion Procedures.

Be it resolved that the Board of Education expel Student # 220541 for 1 year (November 12, 2018 through November 12, 2019), but that the expulsion be held in abeyance and Student

# 220541 be administratively transferred to an alternative school as determined by the District's Administration, pursuant to Article 13A of the Illinois School Code. Student may return on Principal's Probation beginning the 2019-2020 School Year pending grades, attending and discipline at the Alternative School. 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.

Interventions for Student # 220541:

General Interventions:

- The Student Handbook and Agenda that is passed out at registration. This includes the Student Discipline Policy.
- The Back-to-School Assembly covers student behavior and expectations.
- Suspended Curriculum is presented in each classroom over the first two days of school. This covers a variety of topics about behaviors and expectations at Alton High School.
- There is supervision in the areas where the students wait for the buses in the afternoon. Typically there is at least three administrators and three security people, plus a school resource officer in the bus waiting area in the afternoon while the buses are loading to leave campus.

Specific Interventions for Student # 220541:

- During the incident, student # 220541 was led away from the confrontation by Mr. Bannister.
- Previously in the school year there was a conference about engaging in confrontations with students regarding family.

The expulsion being held in abeyance is contingent upon the student's full participation in the 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.

Be it moved that should Student # 220541 fail to fully participate in the alternative school program and the alternative school refers the student back to the District, Student # 220541 shall be immediately expelled from Alton Community Unit School District #11 for the remainder of the District Administration's recommended expulsion duration. DOB 9/15/03

President Gray adjourned the meeting at 9:20 a.m.

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Board President

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Board Secretary