

PROCEEDINGS  
Board of Education  
Alton Community Unit School District No. 11  
550 Landmarks Blvd., Suite A  
Alton, IL 62002  
September 10, 2018 E-3  
6:45 p.m.

A special meeting of the Board of Education was held at the Administrative Center, 550 Landmarks Blvd., Alton, Illinois at 6:46 p.m. on Monday, September 10, 2018.

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

Others who were present: Mark Cappel, Superintendent; Mike Bellm, Alton High School Principal; Nicole Marconi, Alton High School Assistant Principal; Karen Botterbush, Supervisor of Special Education; Larry Busch, Hearing Officer; Deputy Laura Pohlman, Madison County Sheriffs' Office and Kara Twichell, Secretary to the Board of Education

Student #218572, and mother were present.

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

It was moved by Ms. Monckton, seconded by Mr. Fritz 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. Brown 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 Mrs. 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 6, 2018, the Board of Education finds that Student #218572 has committed an act of gross misconduct as charged by the District's Administration in that Student #218572 committed: Fighting/Entering into an existing fight, Coercion/Bullying, Disorderly Conduct, Disruption and Engaging in Activity that Constitutes an Interference with School Purposes and Educational Function on August 27, 2018 in violation of Board Policy 7:210 Expulsion Procedures.

Be it resolved that the Board of Education expel Student #218572 for 2 years (September 10, 2018 through September 10, 2020), but that the expulsion be held in abeyance and Student #218572 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:**

General Interventions: The School Calendar 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. Each of these things is done each school year. Quez'tion has been through the beginning of the year items two times and the beginning of second semester items once.

**Specific interventions** for Student # 218572: Individualized Education Plan / Behavior Intervention Plan. He and his mother met with Mrs. Marconi at registration, prior to receiving his schedule. The purpose of this meeting was to review discipline and attendance of the previous year and review school expectations and supports. 9/12/17 – Annual Review of IEP/BIP/FBA. Student and parent participation. August – December 2017 – Placement in BD at AHS. 8/25/17 – 5/15/18 Received social work services as outlined by IEP/BIP. End of Semester Transition Meeting. Review of IEP/BIP/FBA. Student and parent participation. January – May 2018 – Continued placement at AHS. 1/19/18 – 4/30/18 – Weekly grade check. Contact Teacher met with student as needed based on grades. January – May – Daily Behavior Reports maintained by classroom teachers; Follow through communication and collaboration between Contact Teacher and all teachers. February – May – Met with Contact Teacher, Social Worker, and / or Administrators to address tardy to class. Review schedule, advised on routes and routines to get to class on time, AHS Progressive Discipline for Tardy.

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.

I move that should Student #218572 fail to fully participate in the alternative school program and the alternative school refers the student back to the District, Student #218572 shall be immediately expelled from Alton Community Unit School District #11 for the remainder of the District Administration's recommended expulsion duration. DOB 2/17/03

President Gray adjourned the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

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Board President

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Board Secretary