

WINDHAM SCHOOL BOARD

MINUTES OF APRIL 11, 2007

SPECIAL MEETING

Members of the Windham School Board met on April 11, 2007 in Conference Room # 1 at Windham Town Hall for a Special Meeting. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Chairman Kate Brix, Jeff Vermette, Donna Cobb, Jeff Pierce, Mary Wassick, Mike Duffy, and Superintendent Sandy Prince. (Toby Pennels is on Military Leave.)

Executive Session – Expulsion Hearing

On a motion by Jeff Vermette, Seconded by Mike Duffy, the School Committee voted 6-0 to approve going into Executive Session to consider the possible expulsion of a student pursuant to [1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(B)]. 6:08 p.m.

On a motion by Jeff Vermette, Seconded by Mike Duffy, the School Committee voted 6-0 to approve returning to Special Session. 7:25 p.m.

On a motion by Mike Duffy, Seconded by Jeff Pierce, the School Committee voted 5-1 that the Board find as follows:

1. That the student's actions were deliberately disobedient
2. That the removal of the student is necessary for the peace and usefulness of the school
3. That based on these facts the Board hereby expels the student effective immediately, subject to the student's right to request readmission pursuant to law and that the Superintendent notify the student and his/her parent(s) of this action in writing with a copy of these written findings of fact and conclusions.

Mr. Vermette was opposed.

Odyssey of the Mind

Students participating in Odyssey of the Mind explained to the Board what this program is about and that they will be going to the World Finals in Michigan this year.

Windham Educators Association Contract Ratification

On a motion by Jeff Vermette, Seconded by Mike Duffy, the School Committee voted 6-0 to ratify the Windham Educators Association Contract for August 27, 2007 through August 26, 2010.

Executive Session – Re-Entry Hearing

On a motion by Mary Wassick, Seconded by Jeff Vermette, the School Committee voted 6-0 to go into Executive Session to consider the possible readmission of a student pursuant to [1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(B)]. 8:00 p.m.

Mr. Vermette excused himself from the meeting at 8:01 p.m.

On a motion by Mike Duffy, Seconded by Jeff Pierce, the School Committee voted 5-0 to approve returning to Special Session. 8:35 p.m.

On a motion by Mike Duffy, Seconded by Jeff Pierce, the School Committee voted 4-1 that the student under consideration be re-admitted to school and that the Superintendent provide the parents with a written summary of the Board's findings.

Mrs. Wassick was opposed.

Adjournment

On a motion by Mike Duffy, Seconded by Mary Wassick, the School Committee voted 5-0 to adjourn the Special Meeting. 8:37 p.m.