

WINDHAM SCHOOL BOARD

MINUTES OF DECEMBER 8, 2004

SPECIAL MEETING

Members of the Windham School Board met on December 8, 2004 in the Windham Town Council Chambers for a Special Meeting. The meeting was called to order at 8:05 p.m. Present were Chairman Mike Duffy, Kate Brix, Donna Cobb, Jeff Vermette, Ann Rich, Mel Winslow, Toby Pennels and Superintendent Sandy Prince.

Executive Session – Expulsion Hearing

On a motion by Kate Brix, Seconded by Ann Rich, the School Committee voted 7-0 to approve going into Executive Session to consider the possible expulsion of a student pursuant to [1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(B)]. 8:07 p.m.

On a motion by Jeff Vermette, Seconded by Kate Brix, the School Committee voted 7-0 to approve returning to Special Session. 8:50 p.m.

On a motion by Kate Brix, Seconded by Ann Rich, the School Committee voted 3-4 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 findings of fact and conclusions.

The motion failed. Mr. Duffy, Mr. Winslow, Mr. Pennels, and Mrs. Brix were opposed.

Executive Session – Expulsion Hearing

The second Expulsion Hearing scheduled on the agenda was not held.

Executive Session – Contract Negotiations Proposal

On a motion by Kate Brix, Seconded by Jeff Vermette, the School Committee voted 7-0 to approve going into Executive Session to discuss labor contract proposals for the WEA Support Professionals Negotiations pursuant to [1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(D)], and not to return to Special Session. 8:55p.m.