

**Windsor Locks Board of Education  
58 South Elm Street  
Windsor Locks, CT 06096**

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**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING  
August 21, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.**

Members Present: D. Gragnolati, K. Christianson, M. Byrne, J. McGowan and J. Tria  
Members Absent: None  
Administrators: S. Parkhurst and M. Warner  
Staff: None  
Students: Student A  
Others: Mother of Student A

**I. Call to Order**

Chairman Dennis Gragnolati called the Special Meeting to Order at 4:10 p.m., in the Windsor Locks Public School's Professional Development Room.

**II. Roll Call**

All Board Members present.

**III. Executive Session**

It was **MOVED** (Christianson) and **SECONDED** (Tria) and **PASSED** (U), that the Board of Education enters into Executive Session to conduct a student expulsion hearing and to preserve the confidentiality of student records, and that the following be invited to attend the executive session to offer testimony: Superintendent of Schools, High School Administration, witnesses to testify for the administration, student and parents, witnesses for student and parents, legal counsel for the Board of Education and the administration, and the student, if present.

Chairman Mr. Gragnolati asked all persons in attendance to identify themselves for the record:

Board of Education Members:

Ms. Margaret Byrne  
Mr. Jim McGowan  
Mr. Dennis Gragnolati  
Ms. Kylee Christianson  
Mr. Joe Tria

Others:

Mother of Student A  
Student A  
Mr. Shawn Parkhurst, Superintendent of Windsor Locks Public School  
Mr. Matthew Warner, Assistant Principal of Windsor Locks High School  
Mrs. Denise Piotrowicz, Recording Secretary, Windsor Locks Board of Education

Witnesses were sworn in by Chairman Mr. Gragnolati.

**IV. Action Regarding Expulsion**

Testimony regarding the offense and penalty phase was given by Mr. Shawn Parkhurst, Mr. Matthew Warner, and Mother of Student A followed by questions from the Board of Education Members.

Board Recessed at 4:21 p.m.  
Board Reconvened at 4:32 p.m.

It was **MOVED** (Christianson) and **SECONDED** (McGowan) and **PASSED** (U) that the Board of Education terminates Executive Session and reconvenes into public session at 4:32 p.m.

It was **MOVED** (McGowan) and **SECONDED** (Christianson) and **PASSED** (U) that the Windsor Locks Board of Education accepts the final decision of the East Granby Board of Education concerning Student A and find that Student A may enter school early. If Student A violates any part of the agreement or school rules, Student A shall be expelled for the remaining period of expulsion.

**V. Adjournment**

It was **MOVED** (Christianson) and **SECONDED** (Tria) and **PASSED** (U) that the Board of Education adjourns the August 21, 2023 at 4:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise M. Piotrowicz  
Recording Secretary