

**BERLIN BOARD OF EDUCATION
FEBRUARY 27, 2019
MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING**

Attendance: Timothy Oakes
Tracy Sisti
Matthew Tencza

Also in attendance: Superintendent of Schools Brian J. Benigni; Berlin High School Principal Eileen Eustis; Board Legal Counsel Richard A. Mills; Student who is the subject of the hearing and the student's guardian.

I. CALL TO ORDER Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Tencza called the meeting to order at 7:39 a.m. in the Board of Education ("the Board") meeting room at 238 Kensington Road, Berlin, CT.

II. STUDENT EXPULSION HEARING

At 7:39 a.m., a motion was made by Mr. Oakes, seconded by Ms. Sisti, to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing confidential student records.

FAVOR: ALL

MOTION CARRIED: 3:0; including President Tencza

At 7:39 a.m. the Board entered into executive session. In addition to the Board members, the following individuals were invited into executive session: Superintendent of Schools Brian J. Benigni; Berlin High School Principal Eileen Eustis; Board Legal Counsel Richard A. Mills; Student who is the subject of the hearing and the student's guardian.

At 7:46 a.m., the Board entered into deliberations in the conference room adjoining the Board meeting room.

At 7:52 a.m., the Board reconvened in open session in the Board meeting room.

The following motion was made by Mr. Oakes, seconded by Ms. Sisti:

Moved, based on the evidence in the record, that the Board approve the stipulation regarding the Student who is the subject of this hearing, as entered into the record by agreement of the parties on February 27, 2019, and moved further that the Board expel the Student, effective February 28, 2019 and continuing through February 8, 2020, in accordance with the terms set forth in the stipulation.

FAVOR: ALL

MOTION CARRIED: 3:0; including President Tencza

III. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:52 a.m., a motion was made by Mr. Oakes, seconded by Ms. Sisti, to adjourn.

FAVOR: ALL

MOTION CARRIED: 3:0; including President Tencza