

**SPECIAL MEETING - MONTVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION
SUPERINTENDENT'S CONFERENCE ROOM
October 14, 2010**

Item 1: Call to Order.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Those Board members in attendance were David C. Rowley, Chairperson, Thomas McNally, Robert Mitchell Jr., Deborah Reed-Iler, Todd Pomazon, Steven Loiler, and James Wood.

Also in attendance were: Pamela W. Aubin, Superintendent of Schools, Mary Jane Dix, Leonard J. Tyl Middle School Principal, Mark Larson, Leonard J. Tyl Middle School Interim Assistant Principal, parent and student.

Item 2: Confidential Hearing Related to Confidential Student Matter.

Motion: That the Board go into executive session for the purpose of conducting a student disciplinary hearing under Section 10-233d of the Connecticut General Statutes, and invite into executive session all present.

**Proposed by: Steven Loiler
Seconded by: Todd Pomazon
Vote: Carried unanimously**

The Board entered executive session at 6:03 p.m. During the executive session, the Board held a student disciplinary hearing and, after excusing all but the Board's counsel, deliberated on the matter.

The Board then came out of executive session at 6:45 p.m. and made the following motion:

Motion:

That the Board of Education finds that the student who is the subject of this hearing did, on October 1, 2010, violate a publicized policy of the Board of Education, and endanger persons, by her possession of a knife on school property.

The administration informs parents and students of the Board's prohibition about weapons through publishing the Board's policies, through mailings home and through the student agenda. The student received a copy of the student agenda.

On the basis of the foregoing conduct, the Board of Education expels the student who is the subject of this hearing.

Motion: That the Board go into executive session for the purpose of continuing the student disciplinary hearing under Section 10-233d of the Connecticut General Statutes, and invite into executive session all present.

Proposed by: Steven Loiler
Seconded by: Thomas McNally
Vote: Carried unanimously

The Board entered executive session at 6:55 p.m. During the executive session, the Board continued the student disciplinary hearing and, after excusing all but the Board's counsel, deliberated on the matter.

The Board then came out of executive session at 8:05 p.m. and made the following motion:

The Board of Education expels the student who is the subject of this hearing from school and all school-sponsored activities, effective immediately and continuing through the last day of the 2010-2011 school year.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Superintendent of Schools may re-admit the student to school, on a probationary basis, as of December 3, 2010, if the Superintendent determines that the student has met the following criteria for probationary readmission:

1. satisfactory attendance and participation in the alternative educational opportunity;
2. compliance with all school rules and policies concerning behavior and conduct; and
3. completion of an essay concerning her conduct and the rules of behavior expected of students, which essay will be reviewed with the student along with the school rules.

If the student has not met the conditions for probationary readmission, as of December 3, 2010, the Superintendent shall periodically re-assess the student's progress towards meeting the criteria for readmission, and the Superintendent may, at her discretion, re-admit the student, if she meets the criteria for readmission at any time after December 3, 2010.

In order to continue in her probationary attendance, the student must continue to comply with all school rules and policies concerning behavior. If the Superintendent determines that the student has engaged in any conduct for which she could be suspended or expelled under Board policy, the Superintendent may re-impose the period of exclusion from school without the need to reconvene a Board level hearing. The effect of such re-exclusion will be that she shall be excluded from school property and all school-sponsored activities through the last day of the 2010-2011 school year.

During any period of exclusion imposed by this expulsion decision, the student is not permitted on school property or at any school-sponsored activities, unless written permission is obtained in advance from the administration.

During any period of exclusion imposed by this expulsion decision, the administration shall provide the student with an alternative educational opportunity as required by law.

The Board further directs the Superintendent of Schools to expunge this expulsion decision from the student's record, if the student continues to display appropriate behavior, and is not suspended or expelled from school, up to and including the last day of her sophomore (10th grade) year.

Proposed by:	Robert Mitchell
Seconded by:	Thomas McNally
Vote:	Carried unanimously

Item 3: Adjournment.

Proposed by:	Todd Pomazon
Seconded by:	Steven Loiler
Vote:	Carried unanimously

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.