

**WATTSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Minutes
Special Board Meeting
October 19, 2011**

A Special Board Meeting of the Wattsburg Area School District Board of Education was held on Monday, October 19, 2011 at the Wattsburg Area Elementary Center.

President Joseph Walko called the meeting to order at 8:45 p.m. The following members were in attendance: Mr. Eric Duda, Mr. Kerry Duncan, Mr. Bruce McCall, Mrs. Nancy McNally, Mr. John Rzepka, Mrs. Linda Smith, Mr. Edward Snippert, and Mr. Joseph Walko. Mr. Ken Watkins was absent. Also in attendance were Attorney Christine Hall McClure; Mrs. Nancy Sadaly, Superintendent; Mr. Thomas Rinke, Assistant Superintendent and Mr. Stephen Maksimuk, Business Administrator School Board Secretary.

Roll Call

Motion by Mr. Rzepka, seconded by Mrs. McNally to approve the Special Meeting Agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

**Approval of
Agenda**

Motion by Mr. Rzepka, seconded by Mr. Snippert to adopt the following Adjudication regarding the first student discipline hearing:

**Adjudication
First Student
Discipline
Hearing**

1. Student is hereby expelled from the Wattsburg Area School District and Seneca High School commencing immediately and effective through the end of the 2011-2012 school year.
2. It is recommended that Student be placed in the Perseus House Greene Township Alternative Education Program during the period of his expulsion.
3. Student's readmission to the Wattsburg Area School District is contingent upon satisfactory performance in the Alternative Education setting which is chosen and is subject to Wattsburg Area School District administrative approval.
4. If readmitted to the Wattsburg Area School District, such readmission will subject Student to a period of probation for the duration of his time as a student in the Wattsburg Area School District and on Wattsburg Area School District property. The conditions of his probation shall include the following:
 - a. Student will be subject to random unannounced searches by members of the school district Administration and these searches may include his person, his locker, his personal possessions and any automobiles;
 - b. Student will be required to participate in the Student Assistance Program (SAP);
 - c. Student will be required to meet on a bi-weekly basis with a Seneca High School Counselor;
 - d. Student will be required to comply with all requirements of the Student Handbook and District Policies; and
 - e. Any serious infraction by Student or a violation of the terms and conditions of this Adjudication shall result in immediate expulsion and/or removal to an alternative educational setting.

In a recorded roll call vote the following members voted "Yes": Mr. Duda, Mr. Duncan, Mrs. McNally, Mr. Rzepka, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Snippert and Mr. Walko.

Mr. McCall voted “No”. **Motion carried.**

Motion by Mr. Rzepka, seconded by Mrs. McNally to adopt an adjudication regarding the second student discipline hearing.

After discussion, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Rzepka, seconded by Mrs. McNally to withdrawal the motion. Motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

**Adjudication
Second Student
Discipline
Hearing**

Mr. Walko called for an Executive Session to discuss the Adjudications. The Board returned from Executive Session at 9:10 PM.

**Executive
Session**

Motion by Mr. Rzepka, seconded by Mrs. McNally to adopt the following Adjudication regarding the second student discipline hearing:

**Adjudication
Second Student
Discipline
Hearing**

1. Student is hereby expelled from the Wattsburg Area School District and Seneca High School commencing immediately and effective through the end of the 2011–2012 school year. Student is to be offered the opportunity to immediately enroll in the cyber school program offered by Wattsburg Area School District through the Intermediate Unit No. 5 and the Wattsburg Area School District will pay for those courses necessary for him to graduate. Any courses selected by Student in addition to those necessary to graduate will be taken at the expense of his family.
2. During Student's enrollment in the IU No. 5 cyber school, the Wattsburg Area School District should be provided with weekly reports on his cyber school progress as well as regular reports from his drug counselor.
3. Student shall be permitted. to petition the Board of Education for readmission to the Wattsburg Area School District at the Board's scheduled meeting in May of 2012. If readmitted, Student will be permitted to graduate with his class and participate in all graduation ceremonies.
4. If readmitted to the Wattsburg Area School District, such readmission will subject Student to a period of probation for the duration of his time as a student in the Wattsburg Area School District and on Wattsburg Area School District property. The conditions of his probation shall include the following:
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 - b. Student will be required to participate in the Student Assistance Program (SAP);
 - c. Student will be required to meet on a bi-weekly basis with a Seneca High School Counselor;
 - d. Student will be required to comply with all requirements of the Student Handbook and District Policies; and
 - e. Any serious infraction by Student or a violation of the terms and conditions of this Adjudication shall result in immediate expulsion and/or removal to an alternative educational setting.

In a recorded roll call vote the following members voted “Yes”: Mr. Duda, Mr. Duncan, Mr. McCall, Mrs. McNally, Mr. Rzepka, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Snippet and Mr. Walko. **Motion carried.**

Motion by Mr. Rzepka, seconded by Mr. Snippert to reconsider the adjudication for the first student discipline hearing. In a recorded roll call vote the following members voted “Yes”: Mr. McCall, Mrs. McNally, Mr. Rzepka, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Snippert and Mr. Walko. Mr. Duda and Mr. Duncan voted “No”. **Motion carried**

**Reconsider
Adjudication
First Student
Discipline
Hearing**

Motion by Mr. Rzepka, seconded by Mr. Snippert to adopt the following Adjudication regarding the first student discipline hearing:

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Discipline
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2. It is recommended that Student be placed in the Perseus House Greene Township Alternative Education Program during the period of his expulsion.
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In a recorded roll call vote the following members voted “Yes”: Mr. Duda and Mr. Duncan. The following members voted “No”: Mr. McCall, Mrs. McNally, Mr. Rzepka, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Snippert and Mr. Walko. **Motion failed.**

Motion by Mr. Rzepka, seconded by Mrs. McNally to adopt the following Revised Adjudication regarding the first student discipline hearing:

**Revised
Adjudication
First Student
Discipline
Hearing**

1. Student is hereby expelled from the Wattsburg Area School District and Seneca High School commencing immediately and effective through the end of the 2011-2012 school year. Student is to be offered the opportunity to immediately enroll in the cyber school program offered by Wattsburg Area School District through the Intermediate Unit No. 5 and the Wattsburg Area School District will pay for those courses necessary for him to graduate. Any courses selected by Student in addition to those necessary to graduate will be taken at the expense of his family.

2. During Student's enrollment in the IU No. 5 cyber school, the Wattsburg Area School District should be provided with weekly reports on his cyber school progress as well as regular reports from his drug counselor.
3. Student shall be permitted. to petition the Board of Education for readmission to the Wattsburg Area School District at the Board's scheduled meeting in May of 2012. If readmitted, Student will be permitted to graduate with his class and participate in all graduation ceremonies.
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In a recorded roll call vote the following members voted "Yes": Mr. McCall, Mrs. McNally, Mr. Rzepka, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Snippet and Mr. Walko. Mr. Duda and Mr. Duncan voted "No". **Motion carried**

There being no further business before the Board, upon motion by Mrs. Smith, **Adjournment** seconded by Mrs. McNally the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Signature on File
Stephen Maksimuk
School Board Secretary