## LEBANON BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING - STUDENT DISCIPLINARY MATTER WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 2011

**Call to Order:** 5:30 p.m. by Melissa Hofmann for the purpose of conducting a student expulsion hearing.

Present: Melissa Hofmann, Darcy Battye, Lori Jahoda, James Mello

Also Present: Janet Tyler, Superintendent, Atty. Gary Brochu, Stephen Salisbury, LMHS Principal, the student who is the subject of the expulsion proceedings, and parent of the student who is the subject of the expulsion proceedings.

It is the intention of the Board to conduct the expulsion hearing in Executive Session. The parents of the student in question were notified of their right to waive personal privacy rights and to require the Board to conduct the expulsion hearing in public session.

Having received no request to conduct the hearing in public session, M. Hofmann entertained a motion to enter Executive Session for the purpose of conducting a student expulsion hearing during which matters concerning personal privacy of the student involved are likely to be discussed.

Motion: D. Battye – "Move that the Board of Education enter Executive Session for the purpose of conducting a student expulsion hearing, during which matters of personal privacy of the student involved are likely to be discussed. Further, I move that the following persons are to be invited into Executive Session to assist in either giving testimony of evidence, or representation of the various parties to the proceedings: Janet Tyler, Superintendent of Schools; the student who is the subject of the expulsion proceedings; the parent of the student who is the subject of the expulsion proceedings; Attorney Gary Brochu, Principal Stephen Salisbury." Second: J. Mello Vote: Unanimous. Entered Executive Session at 5:35 p.m.

Return to Public Session at 6:24 p.m.

Based upon the foregoing facts, the members of the Board of Education who were present at the hearing, upon motions duly made and seconded, voted unanimously (3-0) that:

"The Board of Education finds, based on the evidence in the record, that the student who is the subject of this hearing did, on or about March 8, 2011, possess and distribute a non-prescription drug on school grounds which: violated a publicized policy of the Board, endangered persons or property, and was seriously disruptive of the educational process.

As a result of the above findings, the Lebanon Board of Education concludes that the student who is the subject of this hearing did commit an expellable offense and is expelled for 180 school days.

And moved further that the student may be permitted to re-enter school effective the start of the 2011-2012 school year on a probationary status, if he satisfies all of the following conditions, as determined by the Administration:

- 1. Attend and participate on a daily basis in the alternative and regular educational programs provided by the district in accordance with applicable statutes; and
- 2. Comply with all Board of Education policies, rules and regulations concerning student conduct.

If the student is readmitted by the Administration to the Lebanon Public Schools on a probationary status, he will be on disciplinary probation for the rest of the full expulsion period. If the Administration determines, in its sole discretion, that the student has failed to satisfy the conditions set forth in this motion, or has committed any suspendable or expellable offense, or has violated any school rules or committed any disciplinary infraction during the expulsion period, the probation period shall cease and the Administration shall reinstate the student's expulsion for the remainder of the expulsion period. During the period of the expulsion the student shall not be

allowed to enter any school property and/or participate in any school sponsored events and activities."

Adjournment: Motion: D. Battye– Move to adjourn at 6:26 p.m. Second: J. Mello Vote: Unanimous

> Respectfully submitted, Melissa Hofmann