STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Student v. Bristol Board of Education

Appearing on behalf of the Student: Atty. Sally Zanger, Connecticut Legal Rights Project, P.O. Box 351, Silver Street, Middletown, CT 06457

Appearing on behalf of the Bristol Board of Education: Atty. Linda L. Yoder, Shipman & Goodwin LLP, One Constitution Plaza, Hartford, CT 06103-1919

Appearing before: Attorney Patricia M. Strong, Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES

1. Should the Student have been exited from special education services by the Planning and Placement team ("PPT") on June 19, effective August 31, 2007, or continued receiving special education services from the Board?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The Student's attorney requested this hearing on August 31 by faxing a complaint form and letter to the Bristol Board of Education's Director of Special Services ("Director") and to the State Department of Education ("SDE"). This Hearing Officer was assigned to the case on September 5. On September 14, Atty. Yoder filed an appearance on behalf of the Board. A prehearing conference was held on September 20. The decision deadline was set at November 14, 2007. The Student's attorney advised the Hearing Officer that a PPT meeting was held on the previous day and that she would be withdrawing his complaint. No hearing date was scheduled. On September 24, Atty. Zanger wrote to the Hearing Officer stating that that the Board had agreed to continue to program for the Student and planned a program, subject to adjustment, in Bristol. She asked that the case be dismissed without prejudice.

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It is ordered that this case shall be dismissed without prejudice.