STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Norwalk Board of Education v. Student

Appearing on behalf of the Parents: Parents, pro se

Appearing on behalf of the Norwalk Board of Education: Atty. Marsha Belman Moses, Berchem, Moses & Devlin, P.C., 75 Broad Street, Milford, CT 06460

Appearing before: Attorney Patricia M. Strong, Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES

1. Did the Board conduct appropriate evaluations of the Student?

2. If not, are the Parents entitled to an independent educational evaluation of the Student at Board expense?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The Board's attorney requested this hearing on March 13, 2008 by mailing a letter to the State Department of Education (SDE) and copies to the Parent and the Board's Director of Pupil Personnel Services. The SDE received the letter on March 14. This Hearing Officer was assigned to the case on March 17. A prehearing conference was held on April 1. The mailing date of the final decision was established as May 12, 2008. Hearing dates were agreed on for April 29, May 20 and June 3. The Board's attorney requested an extension of the mailing date of the final decision to June 27, 2008, which was granted.

On April 24, the Board's attorney sent a letter to the Hearing Officer advising her that the parties had resolved the matter at a resolution meeting on April 22 and that the Parents were no longer requesting an independent evaluation. The Board withdrew the complaint and requested that the hearing dates be canceled. On April 25, the Hearing Officer advised the parties that the hearing dates were canceled and that a dismissal decision would be issued.

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It is ordered that this case shall be dismissed.