STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Granby Board of Education v. Student

Appearing on behalf of the Parents: Parents, pro se

Appearing on behalf of the Granby 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 Board be permitted to conduct a triennial evaluation or arranged for an evaluation by an independent evaluator selected by the school system without the Parents' consent?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY:

The Board's Supervisor of Special Services requested this hearing on June 10, 2008 by mailing a form to the State Department of Education ("SDE"). This Hearing Officer was assigned to the case on June 13, 2008. On June 18, the Board's attorney filed an appearance. On June 30, a pre-hearing conference was held with the Parents and the Board's attorney. The mailing date for the final decision was set at July 25, 2008. The Board's attorney requested an extension of the mailing date so that mutually convenient hearing dates could be scheduled. The request was granted with the consent of the Parents, hearing dates were set for July 21 and 25 and the mailing date was extended to August 18, 2008. On July 8, the SDE notified the Hearing Officer that the parties' mediation was scheduled for July 17. On July 17, the Board's attorney sent the Hearing Officer a letter stating that the parties had reached a settlement and that she wished to withdraw the hearing request.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

It is ordered that this case shall be dismissed.