STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Student v. Brookfield Board of Education

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Appearing Before: Attorney Justino Rosado, Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUE:

1. Whether the Student is entitled to two years of compensatory education in order for the Student to graduate or pass the General Education Development examination?

SUMMARY AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY:

The Student is a 21 year old man who has been identified as entitled to receive a free and appropriate public education ("FAPE") as defined in the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) 20 U.S.C. §1401 et seq. and Connecticut General Statute §10-76a.

At a PPT meeting the Student requested that the Board provide him with compensatory education beyond his 21st birthday. The Board denied the Student's request and the Student filed for due process.

On or about May 27, 2009, the Board received notice of the Student's request for due process. In an email dated June 8, 2009, the parties notified the hearing officer that they would forego a resolution meeting and proceed to mediation. An impartial hearing officer was appointed on May 27, 2009 and a pre-hearing conference was held on June 12, 2009. A hearing date of August 25, 2009 was chosen by the parties.

In an email dated August 18, 2009, the Student's advocate informed the hearing officer that the matter was settled and the hearing was withdrawn. At the request of the parties, in order to accommodate the filing of a final decision and order after the hearing dates, the date for the filing of the Final Decision and Order was extended. The date for the mailing of the Final Decision and Order is September 18, 2009.

FINAL ORDER AND DECISION:

THE MATTER IS DISMISSED.