STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Enfield Board of Education v. Student

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Appearing before:

Sylvia Ho, Esq. Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

1. Were the Board's evaluations appropriate?

2. If not, are Parents entitled to publicly funded individual educational evaluations?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY/SUMMARY:

The Board filed the Request for Hearing on June 15, 2015. The Hearing Officer was appointed on June 16, 2015 and conducted a Prehearing Conference on June 26, 2015. The hearing was scheduled for July 14, 2015. On July 8, 2015, the Parents' attorney requested a postponement of the hearing date. The request was granted and the hearing date was postponed to July 22, 2015. The hearing commenced on July 22, 2015. The Board's Director of Pupil Services reported that the Board was withdrawing the Due Process Complaint without prejudice.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

The matter is **DISMISSED** without prejudice.

If the local or regional board of education or the unified school district responsible for providing special education for the student requiring special education does not take action on the findings or prescription of the hearing officer within fifteen days after receipt thereof, the State Board of Education shall take appropriate action to enforce the findings or prescription of the hearing officer.

Appeals from the hearing decision of the hearing officer may be made to state or federal court by either party in accordance with the provisions of Section 4-183, Connecticut General Statutes, and Title 20, United States Code 1415(i)(2)(A).

Hearing Officer Signature

Sylvia Ho

Hearing Officer

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