

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Waterbury Board of Education v. Student

Appearing on behalf of the Parent:

Pro Se

Appearing on behalf of the Board:

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Appearing before:

Sylvia Ho, Esq.
Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

1. Was the Board's physical therapy evaluation appropriate?
2. Is the Board obligated to fund an independent physical therapy evaluation at public expense?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY/SUMMARY:

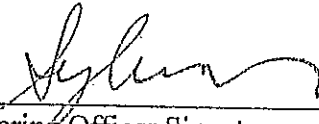
The Board brought the Due Process Complaint and Hearing Request on April 8, 2016. The Hearing Officer was appointed on April 13, 2016 and held a Prehearing Conference on April 25, 2016. Only the Parent attended the Prehearing Conference. The hearing was scheduled for May 20, 2016. A second Prehearing Conference was held on May 11, 2016 after counsel for the Board filed an Appearance. The mailing date of the Final Decision was extended to June 23, 2016 and the hearing was postponed from May 20, 2016 to June 22, 2016 at the request of the parties in order to engage in mediation. On June 20, 2016, the Board's attorney informed the Hearing Officer that the Board was withdrawing its Due Process Complaint and Request for Hearing because the parties had come to an agreement.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

The matter is **DISMISSED**.

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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