STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Glastonbury Board of Education and Student

Appearing on behalf of the Student: Attorney Andrew Feinstein

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Appearing before: Attorney Ann F. Bird

Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

The following issues were identified for determination at the hearing:

- 1. Is the Board of Education's evaluation of the Student appropriate?
- 2. If not, is the Student entitled to an Independent Education Evaluation in the area of neuropsychology at public expense?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY:

The Board of Education initiated this special education due process case on March 11, 2020. This Impartial Hearing Officer was assigned to the case on March 12, 2020. A Prehearing Conference was convened on March 25, 2020. Attorney Andrew Feinstein appeared on behalf of the Student and Attorney Leander Dolphin appeared on behalf of the Board of Education. It was established that the deadline for filing the final decision in this case was April 24, 2020. An evidentiary hearing was not scheduled because of a global pandemic rendering it unsafe to convene a hearing.

On March 25, 2020 the Board of Education requested a postponement and extension of the timelines to conduct the hearing and to file the final decision in this case to May 22, 2020. The purpose of the requested postponement and extension was to allow time for the parties to purse a resolution of the matter. The Student consented to the requested postponement and it was granted.

On May 19, 2020, the Board of Education reported that the dispute had been resolved and requested that the matter be dismissed.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

The Board of Education's request is granted and the matter is dismissed.