

Minutes
McLean County Unit District No. 5
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Special Session
October 8, 2010

The Board of Education of Community Unit School District No. 5, McLean and Woodford Counties, Illinois met in special session on October 8, 2010 at 4:04 p.m. at the District Office, 1809 W. Hovey Avenue, Normal, Illinois.

Roll Call

Members present: Gail Ann Briggs, Scott Lay, Wendy Maulson, Mark Pritchett, John Puzauskas, Jay Reece, and President Meta Mickens-Baker. Members absent: None.

Closed Session

At 4:04 p.m. Brigg moved, Puzauskas seconded, to adjourn to closed session to discuss the following matter according to the exceptions provided in the "Open Meetings Act" and specified as follows:

- Section 2(c)(9) Student disciplinary case

Roll call: Ayes: Briggs, Lay, Maulson, Pritchett, Puzauskas, Reece, Mickens-Baker. Nays: None. **Motion carried**

Return to Public Session

4:56 p.m., Briggs moved, Pritchett seconded, to return to public session. Roll call: Ayes: Briggs, Lay, Maulson, Pritchett, Puzauskas, Reece, Mickens-Baker. Nays: None. **Motion carried**

Also present: Superintendent Gary Niehaus, Superintendent of Human Resources Nate Cunningham, Clerk of the Board Donna Evans, and attorney for the District Curt Richardson.

Pritchett moved, Puzauskas seconded, to find student #001018230 engaged in gross disobedience or misconduct under Section 10-22.6 of the Illinois School Code and the Kingsley Jr. High School Student Handbook by taking the following actions:

- (a) retaliating against and swinging a stick at student #001010279 in an attempt to strike and injure him at the Normal Community West High School football stadium on September 24, 2010,
- (b) continuing to swing the stick at student #001010279 after Officer Chiesi identified himself and commanded student #001018230 to drop the stick,
- (c) resisting both Officer Chiesi and Associate Principal Johnson, and
- (d) engaging in an activity that interfered with, disrupted, and adversely affected the school environment and school operations, all in violation of Board Policy 7.190.

Roll call: Ayes: Briggs, Lay, Maulson, Pritchett, Puzauskas, Reece, Mickens-Baker. Nays: None. **Motion carried**

Pritchett moved, Briggs seconded, to expel student #001018230 from McLean County Unit School District No. 5 effective immediately and continuing for the remainder of the 2010-2011 school year and the entire 2011-2012 school year. Roll call: Ayes: Briggs, Lay, Maulson, Pritchett, Puzauskas, Reece, Mickens-Baker. Nays: None. **Motion carried**

Pritchett moved, Maulson seconded, to find student #001018228 engaged in gross disobedience or misconduct under Section 10-22.6 of the Illinois School Code and the Normal Community High School Student Handbook by taking the following actions:

- (a) continuing to engage in a fight with another student at the Normal Community West High School football stadium on September 24, 2010 after being instructed by Assistant Principal Mintus to stop fighting and
- (b) engaging in an activity that interfered with, disrupted, and adversely affected the school environment and school operations, all in violation of Board Policy 7.190.

Roll call: Ayes: Briggs, Lay, Maulson, Pritchett, Puzauskas, Reece, Mickens-Baker. Nays: None. **Motion carried**

Pritchett moved, Lay seconded, to expel student #001018228 from McLean County Unit School District No. 5 effective immediately and continuing for the remainder of the 2010-2011 school year and the entire 2011-2012 school year. Roll call: Ayes: Briggs, Lay, Maulson, Pritchett, Puzauskas, Reece, Mickens-Baker. Nays: None. **Motion carried**

Pritchett moved, Reece seconded, to find student #001010279 engaged in gross disobedience or misconduct under Section 10-22.6 of the Illinois School Code and the Normal Community West High School Student Handbook by taking the following actions:

- (a) engaging in a fight with student #201265049 at the Normal Community West High School football stadium on September 24, 2010,
- (b) refusing to follow the directives of law enforcement officers, and
- (c) engaging in an activity that interfered with, disrupted, and adversely affected the school environment and school operations, all in violation of Board Policy 7.190.

Roll call: Ayes: Briggs, Lay, Maulson, Pritchett, Puzauskas, Reece, Mickens-Baker. Nays: None. **Motion carried**

Pritchett moved, Briggs seconded, to expel student #001010279 from McLean County Unit School District No. 5 effective immediately and continuing for the remainder of the 2010-2011 school year and the entire 2011-2012 school year. Roll call: Ayes: Briggs, Lay, Maulson, Pritchett, Puzauskas, Reece, Mickens-Baker. Nays: None. **Motion carried**

Pritchett moved, Puzauskas seconded, to find student #001017780 engaged in gross disobedience or misconduct under Section 10-22.6 of the Illinois School Code and the Normal Community West High School Student Handbook by taking the following actions:

- (a) attempting to engage in a fight with student #001012196 at the Normal Community West High School football stadium on September 24, 2010,
- (b) refusing to comply with the directives of NCWHS Assistant Principal Carrie Broquard to calm down and stop attempting to fight,
- (c) engaging in conduct that endangered the health and safety of himself, Mrs. Broquard, and others involved in breaking up the fight, and
- (d) engaging in an activity that interfered with, disrupted, and adversely affected the school environment and school operations, all in violation of Board Policy 7.190.

Roll call: Ayes: Briggs, Lay, Maulson, Pritchett, Puzauskas, Reece, Mickens-Baker. Nays: None. **Motion carried**

Pritchett moved, Maulson seconded, to expel student #001017780 from McLean County Unit School District No. 5 effective immediately and continuing for the remainder of the 2010-2011 school year and the entire 2011-2012 school year. Roll call: Ayes: Briggs, Lay, Maulson, Pritchett, Puzauskas, Reece, Mickens-Baker. Nays: None. **Motion carried**

Pritchett moved, Lay seconded, to find student #201265049 engaged in gross disobedience or misconduct under Section 10-22.6 of the Illinois School Code and the Normal Community High School Student Handbook by taking the following actions:

- (a) fighting with student #001010279 at the Normal Community West High School football stadium on September 24, 2010,
- (b) continuing to engage in a fight after being instructed by School Resource Officer Chiesi and Sergeant Hospelhorn to stop fighting,
- (c) resisting Sergeant Hospelhorn, and
- (d) engaging in an activity that interfered with, disrupted, and adversely affected the school environment and school operations, all in violation of Board Policy 7.190.

Roll call: Ayes: Briggs, Lay, Maulson, Pritchett, Puzauskas, Reece, Mickens-Baker. Nays: None. **Motion carried**

Pritchett moved, Reece seconded, to expel student #201265049 from McLean County Unit School District No. 5 effective immediately and continuing for the remainder of the 2010-2011 school year and the entire 2011-2012 school year. Roll call: Ayes: Briggs, Lay, Maulson, Pritchett, Puzauskas, Reece, Mickens-Baker. Nays: None. **Motion carried**

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:02 p.m.

**Meta Mickens-Baker, Board of Education President
Community Unit School District No. 5
McLean and Woodford Counties, Illinois**

ATTEST:

Gail Ann Briggs, Board of Education Secretary

Approved Date: October 27, 2010