

ARBOR ACADEMY
Board Meeting Minutes
May 3, 2022

Board Members Attending: Dr. Pete VanVranken, Ms. Jan Frantz, Ms. Erica Pfeifer

Board Members Absent: Mr. Chris Micklatcher, and Dr. Doug McDaniel

Non-Board Members Attending: Dr. Norm Peterson, Ms. Theresa Brown, Mr. Bill Barker, Ms. Mindy Ryan, and Ms. Sarah Prince and by phone Ms. Denisha Bolden (Mother to Student) and Kentris Farrow (Student)

1. CALL TO ORDER PUBLIC HEARING

The special meeting was called to order at 4:34 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Dr. VanVranken – Yes

Ms. Frantz - Yes

Ms. Pfeifer – Yes

3. STUDENT EXPULSION HEARING

With Ms. Bolden's approval, the board decided to keep it an open meeting since Ms. Bolden and Kantris Farrow were not in person. Ms. Prince, Ms. Bolden and Kentris gave their accounts of the situation. Ms. Prince, Principal, stated that Kentris has been having problems with disobedience and physical aggression, see Expulsion Hearing Letter. Ms. Prince's recommendation: We are recommending that Kentris be suspended for the rest of the 2021-2022 school year with the understanding that he will not return in the fall. If he does come back in the fall then we will hold another expulsion hearing at the beginning of the 2022-2023 school year.

Ms. Bolden, Mother to Kentris Farrow, stated that Kentris was having problems with certain students and that he wasn't shown enough praise when he was on the right behavioral track.

Kentris Farrow, student, stated that from here onward, he was not going to fight, listen to the teachers and act differently, be respectful with no confrontations.

4. MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION FOR PURPOSES OF A STUDENT DISCIPLINE HEARING

Ms. Frantz moved to go into closed session for purposes of the student discipline hearing. Ms. Pfeifer seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 to 0.

5. ROLL CALL WITHIN CLOSED SESSION

Roll call within closed session.

Dr. VanVranken – yes

Ms. Frantz – yes

Ms. Pfeifer – yes

Discussion by the board.

6. MOTION TO END CLOSED SESSION AND MOVE TO OPEN SESSION

Ms. Frantz moved to end closed session and move to open session. Ms. Pfeifer seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 to 0.

ROLL CALL TO REOPEN OPEN SESSION

Roll call within open session

Dr. VanVranken – yes

Ms. Frantz – yes

Ms. Pfeifer - yes

7. MOTION TO (EXPEL OR NOT EXPEL) STUDENT

Ms. France moved that the student, Kentris Farrow, be expelled for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year with the understanding that the student will not return in the fall and that if the student returns in the fall, we will hold another expulsion hearing at the beginning of the 2022-2023 school year. Ms. Pfeifer seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 to 0.

Dr. VanVranken asked Ms. Bolden if she understood that Kentris has been expelled and she said yes that she understood. Dr. VanVranken went on to explain to Ms. Bolden that Kentris has been expelled. He would receive his homework each week through email, Ms. Prince would meet with Kentris each Thursday on-line, that he would not be allowed on the school property and that he shouldn't have a problem with returning to a different school in the fall. He has had persistent disobedience and is a constant distraction to other students and that they are at the end of their rope and it won't be tolerated anymore.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Frantz moved to adjourn the special meeting. Ms. Pfeifer seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 to 0. Meeting adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

Board Signature

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