

**Minutes of the SPECIAL Meeting of the Board of Education
Community Unit School District No. 4, Champaign County, Illinois
Mellon Administrative Center, 703 S. New Street, Champaign, Illinois
December 5, 2016 within the Boundaries of Said District**

Special Meeting

Board President Chris Kloeppe called the Special Meeting of the Board to order at 5:30 p.m.

Board Members Present

Amy Armstrong, Gianina Baker, Chris Kloeppe, Kathy Richards, Kathy Shannon, Jonathan Westfield

Board Member Absent

Lynn Stuckey

Staff Members Present

Superintendent Judy Wiegand, Deputy Superintendent Laura Taylor, Chief Financial and Legal Officer Tom Lockman, Director of Achievement & Student Services Orlando Thomas

Approval of Agenda

Member Richards moved, with a second by Member Shannon to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried on voice vote. Ayes 6. Nays 0.

Executive Session

Member Shannon moved, with a second by Member Westfield, to adjourn into *Closed Session* in accordance with the Illinois Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 120/2c) to consider Student Discipline 120/2(c)(9). The motion carried on roll call. Ayes 6. Nays 0.

The Board convened into *Closed Session* at 5:31 p.m.

Open Session

The Board convened into *Open Session* at 7:14 p.m.

Student Discipline

Member Richards moved, with a second by Member Shannon that student #510750 should be expelled from Centennial High School for the remainder of the 2016-17 school year and should be reassigned to an alternative setting at the administration's direction for violating Conduct Code #34 Weapon-Related Activities of the Champaign Unit #4 Student Code of Conduct. The duration of the expulsion is based on the fact that the students' actions were in clear violation of our Code of Conduct, had the potential to significantly affect the safety and well-being of a number of Centennial students, and was significantly distressing to a wide variety of students on two Unit #4 campuses. The removal of the student from the learning environment is in the best interest of the school because the student's continuing presence would constitute a safety risk/and or disruption. Such expulsion shall be held in abeyance so long as the student meets the attendance and behavioral requirements of the assigned placement. If such requirements are met, upon expiration of the reassigned term, the expulsion will be vacated and the student may return to his/her regularly assigned school. The motion carried on roll call. Ayes 6. Nays 0.

Member Shannon moved, with a second by Member Baker that student #510676 should be expelled from Centennial High School for the remainder of the 2016-17 school year and should be reassigned to an alternative setting at the administration's direction for violating Conduct Code #34 Weapon-Related Activities of the Champaign Unit #4 Student Code of Conduct. The duration of the expulsion is based on the fact that the students' actions were in clear violation of

our Code of Conduct, had the potential to significantly affect the safety and well-being of a number of Centennial students, and was significantly distressing to a wide variety of students on two Unit #4 campuses. The removal of the student from the learning environment is in the best interest of the school because the student's continuing presence would constitute a safety risk and/or disruption. Such expulsion shall be held in abeyance so long as the student meets the attendance and behavioral requirements of the assigned placement. If such requirements are met, upon expiration of the reassigned term, the expulsion will be vacated and the student may return to his/her regularly assigned school. The motion carried on roll call. Ayes 4. Nays 2. Member Armstrong and Member Kloeppel voted no.

Member Shannon moved, with a second by Member Armstrong that student #212113 should be expelled from Edison Middle School for the remainder of the 2016-17 school year for violating Conduct Code #34 Weapon-Related Activities of the Champaign Unit #4 Student Code of Conduct. The duration of the expulsion is based on the student's history of peer conflict and severity of the incident. The removal of the student from the learning environment is in the best interest of the school because the student's continuing presence would constitute a safety risk and/or disruption. Such expulsion shall be held in abeyance so long as the student meets the attendance and behavioral requirements of the student's alternative placement during the expulsion period. If such requirements are met, upon expiration of the reassigned term, the expulsion will be vacated and the student may return to his/her regularly assigned school following the expulsion period. The motion carried on roll call. Ayes 5. Nays 1. Member Westfield voted no.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Member Shannon moved, with a second by Member Richards, to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. The motion carried on voice vote. Ayes 6. Nays 0.