Madison Board of Education Special Meeting February 19, 2016

Meeting called to order

Board members Jean Fitzgerald, Alison Keating and John Dean in attendance.

Motion to go into Executive Session Motion, J. Fitzgerald; seconded, A. Keating. Approved 3-0.

Invited into executive session Mike McKeon, attorney for the Board, Gary Brochu, Attorney for the administration, Superintendent Tom Scarice, Principal Anthony Salutari Jr., Vice-Principal Cynthia Schneider, Christina Ghio, Attorney for the student, the student, parents of the student.

Board goes back into open session.

Motion to expel student read by Mike McKeon as follows:

I hereby move that the Madison Board of Education adopt the findings and facts discussed in Executive Session regarding the student who is the subject of this expulsion hearing. Motion, J. Fitzgerald; second, A. Keating. Approved 3-0.

I hereby move that as a consequence of the factual findings adopted by the Board of Education, that the student who is the subject of this expulsion be expelled from the Madison Public Schools and from all school-sponsored activities, either curricular or extra-curricular, either on school grounds or in another location, through the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year effective immediately and that the student shall be offered an alternative educational opportunity determined by the Superintendent of Schools during the period of expulsion. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the student may return to school after 30 school days from today if the student satisfies the following conditions:

- 1. Full and adequate participation in any offered alternative education opportunity including but not limited to no unexcused absences.
- 2. The completion of counseling to be provided by the parents, at the parents' expense.
- 3. No violation to the law or conduct that would constitute suspension or expulsion under publicized Board policies.

The determination as to whether the student has met these conditions shall be at the sole discretion of the Superintendent of Schools with the stipulation that if the student be admitted early, the student must continue to meet stipulation 3 as set forth above. In addition, upon the early readmission of the student to school, the student shall be required to complete a project on the dangers of drug use, which project shall be subject to the approval of the Superintendent or his designee and with the further understanding that the early readmission will be solely for curricular activities and that the student will not be permitted to participate in or attend any extracurricular activities for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year including, but not limited to graduation and senior-related activities of any kind. If the student fails to meet these conditions upon readmission, the Superintendent may reinstate any unserved period of expulsion without a hearing or otherwise commence student disciplinary proceedings.

So moved, A. Keating; second, J. Fitzgerald. Approved 3-0.

Motion to adjourn, A. Keating; second, J. Dean. Approved 3-0.