Item 1: Call to Order.

The meeting was called to order at 7:37 p.m.

Those Board members in attendance were Erica Gelven, Michael Hornyak, Christopher Passante, Jason Adler, Kimberly Russo, Catherine Staunton, and Omar Francis.

Also in attendance were: Maryann O’Donnell, Superintendent of Schools and Kevin M. Roy, Board counsel.

Item 2: Motion to go into executive session for a confidential student disciplinary hearing.

Time: 7:40 p.m.

Proposed by: Michael Hornyak
Seconded by: Omar Francis
Vote: All voted yes

The Board conducted a hearing in executive session regarding a confidential student disciplinary matter.

The Board recessed at 7:45 p.m. to deliberate over the confidential student disciplinary matter and continued its deliberations until 7:51 p.m.

Upon deliberating, the Board entered back into open session at 7:52 p.m. At that time, the Board made the following motion:

Motion:

Moved, on or about January 10, 2020, the student who is the subject of this hearing did possess controlled substances on school grounds and is therefore expelled.

The expulsion will be for one calendar year and run from January 10, 2020 until January 9, 2021.

During the period of expulsion, the student shall receive an appropriate alternative education opportunity as determined by the administration.

During the period of expulsion, the student will attend the academic program classes as scheduled, complete all assigned work, and comply with all requirements.

During the period of expulsion, the student will not be allowed on campus for any reason, or at any school-sponsored activity.

During the period of expulsion, the student will participate in a substance use/abuse educational program with a counseling element. The program will be coordinated between the school administration and the family and/or guardian.
During the period of expulsion, the student will comply with all requirements of the alternative educational opportunity as determined by administration and meet any obligations set forth by the court, if applicable.

On or about August 20, 2020, the Superintendent will review the student’s performance in the alternative academic program, participation in the substance use/abuse program, results of a recent drug test, and compliance with any court obligations to determine whether to allow the student to return to school for the beginning of the 2020-2021 school year.

Following the return to school, should the student violate any rule, regulation, or policy of the school or the Board or exhibit any behavior that is disruptive of the educational process the Superintendent may reinstitute the full term of the expulsion period.

In the event that the student successfully completes the terms of the expulsion and does not exhibit behavior that necessitates further disciplinary action, the expulsion shall be expunged from the student’s record upon graduation.

Time: 7:53 p.m.

Proposed by: Erica Gelven
Seconded by: Chris Passante
Vote: All voted yes. Motion carried.

Item 3: Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by K. Roy