

**Official Minutes of the
Oak Park Board of Education District 97,
970 Madison Street, Oak Park, Cook County, Illinois**

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES – January 12, 2012

President Barber called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m.

Present: Barber, Sacks, Traczyk, and Felton

Absent: Spatz, O'Connor, and Gates

Also Present: Superintendent Dr. Al Roberts, Board Secretary Sheryl Marinier, Vice Principal Jason Gold, Principal Tom Sindelar, Curriculum Coordinator and Hearing Officer Felicia Starks Turner, student number 20120112, his parents and the students Clinical Social Worker Linda Vasquez

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Traczyk moved, seconded by Felton, that the Board of Education move into executive session at 3:35 p.m. Roll call vote.

Ayes: Traczyk, Felton, Barber, Sacks

Nays: None

Absent: Gates, O'Connor and Spatz

OPEN SESSION

Traczyk moved, seconded by Sacks, that the Board of Education move into open session at 4:30 p.m. Roll call vote.

Ayes: Traczyk, Sacks, Felton and Barber

Absent: Spatz, O'Connor and Gates

Nays: None

Motion passed.

Action on Student Discipline

Barber moved, seconded by Traczyk, that the Board of Education approve the following resolution.

WHEREAS, The Board of Education of Oak Park School District 97, Cook County, Illinois, did through the Board on January 12, 2012, hold a hearing concerning possible expulsion of Student No. 20120112, and,

WHEREAS, the evidence taken at said hearing shows that Student No. 20120112 has been found guilty of a violation of the rules and regulations of this School District, the Illinois School Code, and the Statues of the State of Illinois,

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved that Student No. 20120112 is:

Expelled from attendance at Oak Park School District 97 effective January 13, 2012 and through June 30, 2013. The 2012-13 period of the expulsion may be held in abeyance if the student successfully completes an educational plan as developed by the district by June 30, 2012. The superintendent is authorized to review the student's performance relative to that plan and determine if the abeyance will be upheld. The Student will not be allowed to attend or participate in any District 97 activities, including athletic events, social events, and those events related to end of year activities, and is prohibited from being present on school grounds during this same time period.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby further resolved that the Superintendent is to issue a written notice of the Board's decision to the guardian of Student No. 20120112.

It was moved by Barber and seconded by Traczyk that this Resolution, as read, be adopted.

After due consideration thereof, the President put the question and upon roll call being had, the following members present voted:

Ayes: Traczyk, Sacks, Felton and Barber
Absent: Spatz, O'Connor and Gates
Nays: None
Motion passed.

Whereupon, the President declared the motion carried, this 12th day of January, 2012.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct, President Barber declared the meeting adjourned at 4:41 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board will be held on Tuesday, January 24, 2012, beginning at 7 p.m. at the administration building which is located at 970 Madison Street.

Board President

Board Secretary