STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Student v. Madison Board of Education

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Appearing before: Attorney Elisabeth Borrino, Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES

- 1. Whether the student was denied a FAPE for the 2005-2006 school year due to the Board's failure to (a) timely identify the student and hold a timely PPT after the student was diagnosed with Autism, (b) properly and timely evaluate the student in all areas of suspected disability, (c) offer an appropriate program with a high enough level of intensity or structure, including related, extended school day, and extended school year services, as well as sufficient hours, to remediate the student's disabilities;
- 2. Whether the student was denied a FAPE for the 2006-2007 school year due to the Board's failure to (a) offer an appropriate program with a high enough level of intensity or structure, including related, extended school day, and extended school year services, (b) offer or provide sufficient hours, to remediate the student's disabilities;
- 3. Whether the student should be placed at the Connecticut Center for Child Development;
- 4. Whether the Board should reimburse the parents for all expenses, including costs for materials and equipment for the 2005-2006; and 2006-2007 school years;
 - 5. Whether the Board should provide compensatory services.

SUMMARY

The hearing was requested on March 29, 2007; the deadline for the final decision and order was June 12, 2007. A prehearing conference convened on April 12, 2007. On May 24, 2007 the Parties advised the Hearing Officer that a settlement had been reached whereby the Request for Hearing was withdrawn.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

The matter is **DISMISSED**, without prejudice.