STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Board of Education v. Student

Appearing on behalf of the Parent: Pro Se

Appearing on behalf of the Board: Ms. Ann Perzan

Director of Pupil Personnel and

Special Education

Middletown Board of Education

311 Hunting Hill Avenue Middletown, CT 06457

Appearing before: Sylvia Ho, Esq. Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

- 1. Was the Board's evaluation appropriate?
- 2. Is the Board obligated to fund an independent educational evaluation at public expense?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY/SUMMARY:

The Board brought the Due Process Complaint and Hearing Request on October 17, 2014. The Hearing Officer was appointed on October 17, 2014. The Hearing Officer wrote the parties and scheduled a Prehearing Conference on November 3, 2014. On October 23, 2014, the Board's Director of Pupil Personnel and Special Education informed the Hearing Officer that Board was withdrawing its Due Process.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

The matter is **DISMISSED**

If the local or regional board of education or the unified school district responsible for providing special education for the student requiring special education does not take action on the findings or prescription of the hearing officer within fifteen days after receipt thereof, the State Board of Education shall take appropriate action to enforce the findings or prescription of the hearing officer.

Appeals from the hearing decision of the hearing officer may be made to state or federal court by either party in accordance with the provisions of Section 4-183, Connecticut General Statutes, and Title 20, United States Code 1415(i)(2)(A).

Hearing Officer Signature

Sylvia Ho

Hearing Officer

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