# STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Student and Norwich Board of Education

Appearing on behalf of the Student:

Parent, Pro Se

Appearing on behalf of the Board of Education:

Attorney Peter J. Maher Shipman & Goodwin LLP One Constitution Plaza Hartford, CT 06103-1919

Appearing before:

Attorney Ann F. Bird

Hearing Officer

## FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

#### **ISSUES:**

- 1. Did the Board of Education provide the small group instruction in reading and/or mathematics as provided in the Student's individualized education program?
- 2. If not, what relief is appropriate?
- 3. Did the Board of Education provide speech pathology services as provided in the Student's individualized education program?
- 4. If not, what relief is appropriate?
- 5. Did the Board of Education offer the Student appropriate strategies, modifications and accommodations in the area of visual and auditory learning?
- 6. If not, what relief is appropriate?

## **PROCEDURAL HISTORY:**

The Student requested a special education due process hearing in the above-captioned matter on June 5, 2015. The Impartial Hearing Officer was appointed on June 5, 2015. A telephonic pre-hearing conference was held on June 26, 2015. The Student's father appeared on behalf of the Student and Attorney Peter Maher appeared on behalf of the Board of Education. The deadline for filing the final decision was established to be August 14, 2015 and the evidentiary hearing was scheduled for August 10, 2015.

On August 5, 2015, the Student reported that the parties had finally resolved their dispute, and requested that the case be dismissed.

## **FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:**

It is ordered that the Student's request for dismissal is granted and this 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

ANN F BIRD

Hearing Officer

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