STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Enfield Board of Education v. Student

Appearing on behalf of the Parent:

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Appearing on behalf of the Board:

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Appearing before:

Sylvia Ho, Esq. Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

1. Is the Board's evaluation appropriate?

2. Is the Parent entitled to an independent educational evaluation at public expense?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY/SUMMARY:

The Board brought the Due Process Complaint and Hearing Request on December 3, 2016. The Hearing Officer was appointed on the same day. The Hearing Officer wrote the parties and conducted a Prehearing Conference on December 22, 2015. The hearing was scheduled for January 5, 2015. Subsequently, the parties agreed to engage in mediation and requested a postponement of the hearing and mailing dates. The mailing date of the Final Decision was extended from January 12, 2016 to February 12, 2016 and the hearing was rescheduled to February 3, 2016. At the commencement of the hearing, the Board's attorney informed the Hearing Officer that Board was withdrawing its Due Process Complaint because the parties had settled their dispute.

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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