STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Enfield Board of Education v. Student

Appearing on behalf of the Parent:

Pro Se

Appearing on behalf of the Board:

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Appearing before:

Sylvia Ho, Esq. Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

1. Were the Board's psychoeducational and speech and language evaluations appropriate?

2. If not, are Parents entitled to an Independent Educational Evaluation at public expense?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY/SUMMARY:

The Board brought the Due Process Complaint and Hearing Request on June 23, 2016. The Hearing Officer was appointed on July 7, 2016. The Hearing Officer wrote the parties and scheduled a Prehearing Conference on July 8, 2016. The hearing was scheduled for August 23, 2016. The mailing date of the Final Decision was extended to September so that the parties could engage in mediation. On the day of the Hearing, the Board withdrew its Due Process Complaint and Request for Hearing without prejudice.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

The matter is **DISMISSED** without prejudice.

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

<u>Sylvia Ho</u>

Hearing Officer

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