

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student and Connecticut Technical High School System Board of Education

Appearing on behalf of the Student: Parent, *Pro Se*

Appearing on behalf of the Board of Education: Attorney Christine L. Chinni  
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Appearing before: Attorney Ann F. Bird  
Hearing Officer

**FINAL DECISION AND ORDER**

**ISSUE:**

Was the meeting of January 5, 2017 properly noticed and conducted?

**PROCEDURAL HISTORY:**

The Student submitted a request for due process to the State of Connecticut on or about January 6, 2017. This Impartial Hearing Officer was assigned to determine the case on January 20, 2017. A Prehearing Conference was scheduled via e-mail for January 31, 2017. The Student's Parent notified the Impartial Hearing Officer that she wished to "waive" the prehearing conference and also that she did not wish to communicate via e-mail.

The Board of Education submitted a challenge to the sufficiency of the due process request on January 30, 2017. On January 31, 2017, the Impartial Hearing Officer wrote to the Student via U.S. Mail notifying the Parent of the Board of Education's sufficiency challenge and the timeline for addressing the sufficiency challenge.

On February 7, 2017, the Impartial Hearing Officer upheld the Board of Education's sufficiency challenge. The Student was notified of this via U.S. Mail and was allowed 15 calendar days from the date of the order upholding the sufficiency challenge to submit an amended request for due process. The Student was also specifically warned that if the Student did not submit a sufficient amended request for due process within that time, this matter would be dismissed.

The Student did not submit an amended request for due process within the time allowed or at all.

**FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:**

It is ordered that the matter is dismissed.