

YALE BOARD OF EDUCATION
315 EAST CHICAGO, YALE OKLAHOMA
FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCE ROOM #3
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
MARCH 27th, 2017 6:30 p.m.

The Yale Board of Education of Independent School District I-103, Payne County, Oklahoma met in Special Session, in the Family & Consumer Science Room #3 at the Yale High School with President Mike Clark presiding. Members present were Larry Harris, Curtis Morphey, Steve Winterbottom, Terry Minney and Mike Clark.

1. President Mike Clark called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with all members present.
2. Student Suspension Due Process Appeal Hearing for Student "A."
 - a. President Mike Clark asked the parents/student whether they wish the hearing to be in open session or in executive session. The parents/student wished for the hearing to be in executive session, the Board convened into executive session at 6:31 p.m. pursuant to OKLA. STAT. tit. 25, § 307 (B) (5) to hear evidence and to discuss the suspension of the student in question.
 - b. Opening statement by administration or its designee.
 - c. Opening statement by parents/student or their designees.
 - d. Presentation of all the administration's evidence subject to cross-examination and questions from the Board of Education.
 - e. Presentation of parents'/student's evidence subject to cross-examination and questions from the Board of Education.
 - f. Presentation of rebuttal evidence and surrebuttal evidence, if any, with Cross-examination and questions from the Board of Education.
 - g. Closing statement by parents/student or their designees.
 - h. Closing statement by administration or its designee.
 - i. Parents/student A, Dale Bledsoe & Rocky Kennedy exited executive session at 6:43 p.m. for the Board of Education Deliberation.
 - j. Board reconvened into open session at 7:10 p.m. No other items were discussed and no vote was taken according to Oklahoma Statutes. Persons in executive session were: Mike Clark, Steve Winterbottom, Larry Harris, Curtis Morphey and Terry Minney.
 - k. Motion by Larry, seconded by Terry to adopt the following findings of fact on the suspension of Student "A."
 1. Student "A" was enrolled in the Yale School District at all times relevant to these proceedings.
 2. On Tuesday, March 21, 2017 around 2:40 p.m. Mr. Kennedy was informed there was a black pickup with its windows down and doors unlocked; additionally, the vehicle had a gun in the front seat. Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Bledsoe went to the parking lot and found 1 gun in the front seat and 2 guns in the back seat. The administration never entered the pickup; they only observed the guns from the window. Student "A" was present during this inspection by the administration. Chief Kelley was called and upon arrival he confiscated all three rifles along with ammunition he discovered in the back seat.
 3. March 22, 2017, Student "A" was suspended a full calendar year by Mr. Kennedy following a meeting with the parents of Student "A".
 4. Student "A" appealed the suspension on March 22, 2017.

5. A preponderance of the evidence supports the determination that Student "A" IS GUILTY of the offense for which he was suspended, and the term of the out-of-school suspension stated in paragraph 3 above is NOT reasonable under the circumstances.
6. Based on the Findings of Facts, we the Board of Education find no malicious intent in this incident and that the out-of-school suspension of Student "A" for the term stated in paragraph 3 above should be MODIFIED.

Vote: Larry-Aye, Steve-Aye, Mike-Aye, Terry-Aye, Curtis-Aye

- I. Motion by Steve, seconded by Terry that based on the Findings of Fact adopted tonight, Student "A" is guilty of the offense charged; that the proposed suspension is unreasonable; and that the proposed suspension of Student "A" be decreased as follows:
Student "A" will be suspended for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year;
Student "A" will NOT be allowed to operate a motor vehicle on school grounds to and from school and school functions for the 1st semester of the 2017-2018 school year.

Vote: Larry-Aye, Steve-Aye, Mike-Aye, Terry-Aye, Curtis-Aye

3. Motion by Steve, seconded by Larry to adjourn the meeting at 7:14

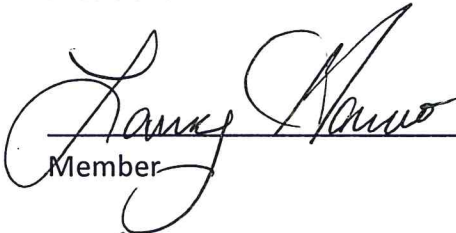
Vote: Larry-Aye, Steve-Aye, Mike-Aye, Terry-Aye, Curtis-Aye



President

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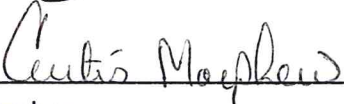
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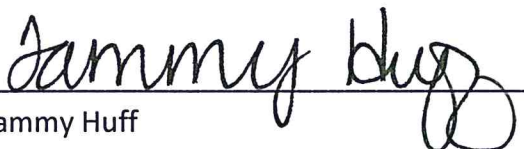


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I, the undersigned Minutes Clerk of the Board of Education of Yale School District I-103 of Payne County, Oklahoma, certify that all Statutory Requirements were met for posting of the Agenda and notifying the County Clerk of this Special Meeting.



Sammy Huff