



Mt. Vernon Township High School  
Board of Education Open Discipline Meeting  
November 26, 2007 – 5:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by President Hoffman who led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members answering roll call were Ron Copenhaver, Pat Garrett, Karen Goodwine, Greg Backes, Robert Stewart and Dan Hoffman. Absent was Jon Hawthorne. Also present were guardian, student, Superintendent Milt, Principal Ron Daniels, Assistant Principal Mark Goodheart, and recorder Shirilyn Holt.

Goodwine made a motion to appoint President Hoffman to preside over the hearings with a second by Copenhaver.

Roll Call: Yes – Goodwine, Copenhaver, Garrett, Backes, Stewart and Hoffman  
No – None  
**Motion Carried**

5:31 p.m.

Backes made a motion to enter into Closed Session for the purpose of student discipline 5ILCS 120/2(c)(9) with a second by Goodwine.

Roll Call: Yes – Backes, Copenhaver, Goodwine, Garrett, Stewart, and Hoffman  
No - None  
**Motion Carried**

6:10 p.m.

Goodwine made a motion to enter into Open Session with a second by Copenhaver.

Roll Call: Yes – Goodwine, Copenhaver, Backes, Garrett, Stewart, and Hoffman  
No - None  
**Motion Carried**

Goodwine made a motion that student 112607 be found to have violated school rules by circumstances so related to the school program so as to warrant discipline with a second by Copenhaver.

Roll Call: Yes – Goodwine, Copenhaver, Garrett, Backes, Stewart, and Hoffman  
No - None  
**Motion Carried**

Hoffman explained that the board must now vote to reconvene in Closed Session to determine what, if any, discipline might be appropriate.

6:15 p.m.

Copenhaver made a motion to reconvene in Closed Session with a second by Backes.

Roll Call: Yes – Copenhaver, Backes, Goodwine, Garrett, Stewart, and Hoffman  
No - None  
**Motion Carried**

7:00 p.m.

Backes made a motion to enter into Open Session with a second by Copenhaver

Roll Call: Yes – Backes, Copenhaver, Goodwine, Garrett, Stewart, and Hoffman

No - None

**Motion Carried**

Goodwine made a motion that student 112607 be expelled for the remainder of the 2007-2008 school year with placement in the safe school with a second by Backes.

Roll Call: Yes – Goodwine, Backes, Copenhaver and Hoffman

No – Garrett and Stewart

**Motion Carried**

Guardian asked if there was an appeal process and if this was where lawyers are involved. Milt stated that could be the next step in the process. Milt stated checking with the Regional office might also be an option.

Goodwine made a motion to adjourn with a second by Backes.

All stated yes

**Motion Carried**

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Dan Hoffman, President

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Shirilyn Holt, Board Secretary