STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Student v. Hartford Board of Education

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Appearing before: Sylvia Ho, Esq.

Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

- 1. Was the student's behavior on August 27 a manifestation of his disability?
- 2. Did the Board provide an appropriate program for the 2013-2014 school year?
- 3. Was the behavior that August 27, 2013 a result of the Board's failure to implement the IEP?
- 4. Was the expulsion hearing on September 17, 2013 scheduled to address the student's behavior on August 27, 2013?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY/SUMMARY:

The Parent brought the Due Process Complaint and Hearing Request on September 16, 2013. The Hearing Officer was appointed on September 17 and a Prehearing Conference was held on September 23, 2013. Hearings were scheduled for October 11 and 16, 2013. On October 8, 2013, the Parent's attorney informed the Hearing Officer by letter that the parties had settled the matters referenced in the Due Process Complaint and therefore the Parent withdrew the Complaint and Request for Hearing.

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

<u>Sylvia Ho</u>

Hearing Officer

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