STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Student v. Hartford Board of Education

Appearing on behalf of the Parent:

Surrogate Parent, pro se

Appearing on behalf of the Board:

Michael McKeon, Esq. Pullman and Comley, LLC 90 State House Square Hartford, CT 06103

Appearing before:

Sylvia Ho, Esq. Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

- 1. Did the PPT err in determining that the behavior giving rise to disciplinary action was not a manifestation of the Student's disability?
- 2. Did the Board deny Student a free and appropriate education in the month of September 2016?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY/SUMMARY:

The Surrogate Parent filed the Due Process Complaint and Request for Hearing on October 17, 2016. The Hearing Officer was appointed on October 20, 2016 and conducted a Prehearing Conference on October 25, 2016. The hearing was scheduled for November 14, 2016. The hearing was postponed to November 22, 2016. At the commencement of the hearing, the Surrogate Parent withdrew the Due Process Complaint with prejudice.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

The matter is **DISMISSED** with 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

Sylvia Ho

Hearing Officer

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