STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Trumbull Board of Education v. Student

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Appearing on behalf of the Board: Marsha Moses, Esq.

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Appearing before: Sylvia Ho, Esq. Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUES:

1. Was the Board's occupational therapy evaluation appropriate?

2. If not, is Parent entitled to an independent education evaluation at public expense?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY/SUMMARY:

The Parent filed the Due Process Complaint and Request for Hearing on March 24, 2016. The Hearing Officer was appointed on March 30, 2016 and conducted a Prehearing Conference on April 11, 2016. The hearing was scheduled for May 10, 2016. On April 30, 2016, the Hearing Officer granted the parties' request for postponement and extension of the mailing date in order to engage in negotiations. The hearing was postponed to June 8, 2016 and the mailing date of the final decision was extended to June 10, 2016. On May 18, the Board withdrew the Due Process Complaint.

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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