STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

North Haven Board of Education and Student

Appearing on behalf of the Board of Education: Attorney Linda Yoder

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Appearing on behalf of the Student:

Parent, Pro Se

Appearing before:

Attorney Ann F. Bird Hearing Officer

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

ISSUE:

Is the Board of Education entitled to share confidential student information with the neuropsychologist retained to evaluate the Student, including providing such information to the neuropsychologist and receiving such information from the neuropsychologist?

PROCEDURAL HISTORY:

The Board of Education filed this request for a special education due process hearing on May 22, 2015. The Hearing Officer was assigned to the case on May 22, 2015, and a prehearing conference was conducted on June 11, 2015. At that time, the parties agreed that the initial deadline for filing the final decision was July 6, 2015. A hearing was scheduled for July 13, 2015. On June 26, 2015, the Board of Education requested a thirty-day postponement and extension of the deadline to issue the final decision. The Student did not object to that request and it was granted.

On July 2, 2015, the Board of Education requested that the hearing scheduled for July 13, 2015 be cancelled. Again, absent objection from the Student, the request was granted.

On July 16, 2015, the Board of Education requested that the matter be dismissed.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:

It is ordered that the Board of Education's request for dismissal is granted and this 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

ANN F BIRD

Hearing Officer

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