

SANTEE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Douglas E. Giles Educational Resource Center  
9619 Cuyamaca Street  
Santee, California

**MINUTES**  
December 11, 2013

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 p.m. by President El-Hajj.

**B. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION**

There were no comments from the public.

**C. CLOSED SESSION**

**1. Consideration of Student Matter (Ed. Code S48918) Student #2-12**

The Board entered Closed Session at 6:10 p.m. for a student discipline hearing for student #1-13. The matter was heard by Board President El-Hajj and members Fox, Burns, and Levens-Craig. Oral and documentary evidence was received. Following the presentation of evidence, President El-Hajj announced that the Board members would deliberate and all other persons were asked to leave the room.

**D. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

The Board reconvened to open session at 7:20 p.m.

It was motioned by Member Fox to expel student #1-13 from the Santee School District from 12/12/13 to 6/24/14, for violation of California Education Code Sections 48900 (c) Possessed, used sold, furnished or been under the influence of alcohol, intoxicant, or controlled substance as defined in the Health & Safety Code, and Santee School District Board Policies 5144.1: Pupil Discipline: Suspension and Expulsion 5144.4: Administrative Review, and related Administrative Regulations.

This action is based on the following Findings of Fact in accordance with California Education Code Section 48915(b)(2):

- *Due to the nature of the act, the presence of the pupil causes a continuing danger to the physical safety of the pupil or others. The facts that support this conclusion are: Student #1-13 has attended several behavioral assemblies, signed the zero tolerance policy, and understood that it is illegal to possess marijuana and still chose to violate school rules and penal code laws.*
- *Due to the nature of the act, the presence of the pupil causes a continuing danger to the physical safety of the pupil or others. The facts that support this conclusion are: Student #1-13 was in possession of marijuana at school posing a safety risk for all students who attend that school.*

The expulsion shall be immediately suspended. The student shall complete the following elements in a Rehabilitation Plan: The student will:

- Remain at assigned school program through 6/24/14 or until such time administration deems it appropriate to return to a regular school,
- Maintain a 2.5 GPA for academic, effort, and citizenship performance,
- Receive no new suspensions,
- Attend school regularly with no unexcused absences or tardies,
- Complete a counseling program by 3/18/14 for decision-making/peer pressure and drug/alcohol abuse prevention/treatment,
- Remain free of illegal substances and participate in random drug testing,
- Perform 20 hours of community service by 3/31/14,
- Attend the Juvenile Hall Open House in May 2014 and present documentation to verify attendance,
- Complete a report on future dreams for possible career choices and submit to the Board, and
- Complete all elements of this Rehabilitation Plan by 6/24/14 and present documentation to verify completion.

A parent must meet with the Coordinator of Pupil Services by December 18, 2013, to review and sign the Rehabilitation Plan. If the parent fails to meet within the designated time and/or does not sign the Rehabilitation Plan, the student may be expelled without further Board action. Upon satisfactory completion of all activities in the rehabilitation plan, the student record will be expunged of this expulsion order.

**Motion: Fox**

**Second: Levens-Craig**

**Vote: 4-0 (Ryan, absent)**

**E. ADJOURNMENT**

The December 11, 2013 special meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.