

Minutes of Special Hearing of the Board of Education
of Community Unit District #196 in St. Clair County
held in the Central Office in said district at Dupou, IL
February 10, 2025

Meeting was called to order by President Stoll at 6:30pm with the provision of HB476 by the 76th General Assembly having been complied with. Present: Members Agnew-Bennett, Carroll, DeClue, Miller, Mushaney, Stoll, and Stumpf.

A motion to enter executive session at 6:31pm to consider student discipline was made by Member DeClue and seconded by Member Agnew-Bennett.

Ayes: Members Agnew-Bennett, Carroll, DeClue, Miller, Mushaney, Stoll, Stumpf
Nays: None
Absent: None

A motion to return to open session at 7:21pm was made by Member Agnew-Bennett and seconded by Member Stumpf.

Ayes: Members Agnew-Bennett, Carroll, DeClue, Miller, Mushaney, Stoll, Stumpf
Nays: None
Absent: None

A motion was made to expel Student #649760267 from Dupou Community Unit School District No. 196 for two years from February 10, 2025, through and including February 9, 2027, based on the Board's determination that the student engaged in egregious conduct and that the student's continued presence at school poses a threat to school safety of other students and staff and substantially disrupts the operation of the school. The Board further finds that given the severity of the student's repeated misconduct, there are no other appropriate disciplinary interventions available and that the presence of the student at school will foster a culture that the student's behavior at school is acceptable or tolerated. The Board further finds that the student shall be eligible, subject to space availability, to enroll in an alternative school or other appropriate placement during the period of the expulsion. During the period of expulsion, the student is prohibited from entering onto school property or attending or being present at any school related event, whether or not the event is on or off school property. The motion was made by Member Stoll and seconded by Member Carroll.

Ayes: Members Agnew-Bennett, Carroll, DeClue, Miller, Mushaney, Stoll, Stumpf
Nays: None
Absent: None

A motion to adjourn at 7:23pm was made by Member DeClue and seconded by Member Mushaney.

Ayes: Members Agnew-Bennett, Carroll, DeClue, Miller, Mushaney, Stoll, Stumpf
Nays: None
Absent: None