

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Education, NICE Community School District, Townships of Champion, Ely, Humboldt, Ishpeming, Tilden, and Spurr; Counties of Baraga and Marquette; and the State of Michigan held on **Thursday, April 4, 2019.**

The meeting was called to order by President Ron Mariani in the Media Center of Westwood High School at 6:04 p.m.

Members Present: Steve Baril, Kathleen Carlson, Randy Couveau, John Grove, Ron Mariani

Members Absent: Donna Champion, Wendy Pederson

Administrator’s Present: Bryan DeAugustine, Jon Beckman, Nathan Longton, Chris Marana

Public Comment (regarding agenda): None

Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda:

Motion by John Grove supported by Randy Couveau to approve the previous meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Reports, Presentations, Discussion Items

None

Business / Action Items

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove to enter into closed session under Section 8(b) of the Open Meetings Act for the purposes of student discipline.

Roll Call Vote:

Baril	aye	Carlson	aye	Couveau	aye
Grove	aye	Mariani	aye		

Motion carried.

The meeting entered closed session at 6:06 p.m.

The meeting returned to open session at 6:18 p.m.

Motion by Randy Couveau supported by John Grove to enter into closed session under Section 8(b) of the Open Meetings Act for the purposes of student discipline.

Roll Call Vote:

Baril	aye	Carlson	aye	Couveau	aye
Grove	aye	Mariani	aye		

Motion carried.

The meeting entered closed session at 6:23 p.m.

The meeting returned to open session at 6:29 p.m.

Motion by Randy Couveau supported by John Grove to suspend the student in question for the remainder of the 2018-2019 School Year.

Roll Call Vote:

Baril	aye	Carlson	aye	Couveau	aye
Grove	aye	Mariani	aye		

Motion carried.

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove to suspend the student in question for the remainder of the 2018-2019 School Year.

Roll Call Vote:

Baril	aye	Carlson	aye	Couveau	aye
Grove	aye	Mariani	aye		

Motion carried.

Community Comments

None

Closing comments by Board or Superintendent:

Steve Baril stated that he was disappointed that neither family came to the meeting to be a part of the process.

Ron Mariani stated that students in our district are fortunate to have an online academy for situations that prevent them from traditional school so they can continue their education if they and their family so choose. He also commends the administrative staff for handling this issue.

Bryan DeAugustine stated that while discipline hearings are not an enjoyable part of education, they are necessary for the well-being of the students. He also mentioned that at the next regular board meeting there may be a crowd in support of discussing another bond referendum for a new gymnasium facility.

Motion by Kathleen Carlson supported by John Grove to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

Board President: _____ **Board Secretary:** _____