

SAULT STE. MARIE AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
SAULT STE. MARIE, MICHIGAN 49783  
SPECIAL MEETING, BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Phone 906/635-6609

**Minutes – Monday, December 13, 2021**

136. **I. CALL TO ORDER**

President Smith called the meeting to order at 7:23 p.m. in the Sault Area Middle School, 687 Marquette Avenue.

137. **A. ROLL CALL OF BOARD**

Board Members Present: Christine M. Curtis, Caitlin L. Galer, Melissa S. Pingatore, Daniel L. Smith, Jay D. Wilson, Lisa A. Young, Raymond D. DeWitt

Board Members Absent: None

138. **B. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

It was moved by Member DeWitt, supported by Member Young, that the Board of Education adopt the agenda as presented.

Yeas: Curtis, Galer, Pingatore, Smith, Wilson, Young, DeWitt

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

139. **C. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

There was none.

140. **D. CLOSED SESSION – M.O.M.A. 15.268 §8(b)**

The guardian of John Doe #5 21/22 requested a closed session for the disciplinary hearing.

It was moved by Member DeWitt, supported by Member Curtis, that the Board of Education move into closed session at 7:24 p.m. in accordance with the Michigan Open Meetings Act.

Yeas: Curtis, Galer, Pingatore, Smith, Wilson, Young, DeWitt

Nays: None

Absent: None  
Motion carried.

The Board returned to open session at 7:46 p.m.

141. ***E. RESOLUTION***

It was moved by Member Curtis, supported by Member Pingatore, that the Board of Education expel John Doe #5 for 180 school days with the option to apply for reinstatement on November 1, 2022, with proof of social work services and agree to complete a safety and security plan with a risk assessment for enrollment in the remaining 2022-2023 school year.

Yeas: Curtis, Galer, Pingatore, Smith, Wilson, Young, DeWitt  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Motion carried.

The Board and administration explained the seriousness of the situation and the consequences of the actions taken.

President Smith confirmed a letter a letter on the details of the resolution would be mailed out by the Superintendent.

142. ***III. ADJOURNMENT***

There being no further business to come before the Board at 7:47 p.m., it was moved by Member DeWitt, supported by Member Wilson, that the meeting be adjourned.

Yeas: Curtis, Galer, Pingatore, Smith, Wilson, Young, DeWitt  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Motion carried.

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Daniel L. Smith, President

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Lisa A. Young, Board Secretary

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Judy L. Sirk, Recording Secretary