

**Covington Board of Education**

**MINUTES ~ Special Meeting**

December 16, 2019

5:00 PM

25 E. 7th Street

Covington, Kentucky 41011

**I. Call to Order**

Mr. Tom Wherry, Board Chair called the meeting to order.

**II. Roll Call**

Mr. Tom Wherry, Board Chair requested roll call.

**Attendance Taken at 5:08 PM:**

Present Board Members:

Mr. Jerry Avery

Ms. April Brockhoff

Ms. Sarah Flerlage

Ms. Glenda Huff

Mr. Tom Wherry

**III. Call of the Meeting**

Mr. Alvin Garrison, Superintendent, read the call of the meeting; Student Discipline Hearing, Pursuant to KRS 61.810 (1) (f) portions of this item may be conducted in closed session. Action possible.

**1. Student Disciplinary Hearing(s)**

The disciplinary hearing was that of an 11th grade student of Covington Independent Public Schools. The student was not present but parents were present. Ms. Mary Ann Stewart, school board attorney was the presenter. Ms. Stewart introduced herself and everyone at the hearing. She confirmed with Board members that they had no knowledge of, or interest in, this case and that they could make a clear, impartial decision on this case based solely on the information presented. Ms. Stewart swore in Director of Pupil Personnel, Mr. Ken Kippenbrock. Mr. Ken Kippenbrock introduced the incident that occurred to warrant an expulsion hearing. He also introduced exhibits of written documentation into evidence and reviewing details of the student's behavior.

**IV. Executive Session**

**Motion Passed 121619\_01:** The Covington Board of Education approves to enter into Executive Session Pursuant to KRS 61.180 (1)(f) at 5:11 p.m. passed with a motion by Ms. Glenda Huff and a second by Ms. Sarah Flerlage.

Mr. Jerry Avery

Yes

Ms. April Brockhoff

Yes

Ms. Sarah Flerlage

Yes

Ms. Glenda Huff

Yes

Mr. Tom Wherry

Yes



**Motion Passed 121619\_02:** The Covington Board of Education approves to return from Executive Session at 5:43 p.m. Pursuant to KRS 61.180 (1)(f) with no action taken passed with a motion by Ms. Glenda Huff and a second by Ms. April Brockhoff.

Mr. Jerry Avery	Yes
Ms. April Brockhoff	Yes
Ms. Sarah Flerlage	Yes
Ms. Glenda Huff	Yes
Mr. Tom Wherry	Yes

## V. Facts and Findings

**Motion Passed 121619\_03:** The Covington Board of Education accepts the Facts and Findings to be true and accurate as presented regarding the 11th grade student passed with a motion by Ms. April Brockhoff and a second by Ms. Sarah Flerlage.

Mr. Jerry Avery	Yes
Ms. April Brockhoff	Yes
Ms. Sarah Flerlage	Yes
Ms. Glenda Huff	No
Mr. Tom Wherry	Yes

## VI. Determination

**Motion Passed 121619\_04:** The Covington Board of Education find by clear and convincing evidence that the 11th grade student be expelled without educational services for the remainder of this academic year passed with a motion by Ms. April Brockhoff and a second by Ms. Sarah Flerlage.

Mr. Jerry Avery	Yes
Ms. April Brockhoff	Yes
Ms. Sarah Flerlage	Yes
Ms. Glenda Huff	No
Mr. Tom Wherry	Yes

Note: KRS 158.150(2)(b) states: "a board that has expelled a student from the student's regular school setting shall provide or assure that educational services are provided to the student in an appropriate alternative program or setting, unless the board has made a determination, on the record, supported by clear and convincing evidence, that the expelled student posed a threat to the safety of other students or school staff and could not be placed into a state-funded agency program" (i.e., Alternative School).

Note: Behavior which constitutes a threat shall include, but not be limited to physical assault; battery; or abuse of others; the threat of physical force; being under the influence of drugs or alcohol; use, possession, sale or transfer of drugs or alcohol; sale or transfer of drugs or alcohol; carrying, possession, transfer of weapons or dangerous instruments; and other behavior which may endanger safety of others. KRS 158.150 (2) (b)



**VII. Adjournment**

The Covington Board of Education made a consensus to adjourn at 5:46 p.m.

Thomas D. Wherry Tom Wherry, Board Chair

Alvin Garrison Alvin Garrison, Superintendent

