

WHEREAS, said student [REDACTED] was charged with the following: unauthorized occupancy of the west and east offices of the Brick Township High School at 6:45 A.M. on March 2, 1982 and March 3, 1982; attempted forced entry and attempted theft of five to ten lockers in the east corridor of the Brick Township High School approximately one month prior to March 16, 1982, to wit; approximately February 16, 1982; theft of school property, to wit; keys on March 2, 1982 and March 3, 1982 and on several occasions prior thereto and on several occasions during the period extending from February 22, 1982 to March 3, 1982; truancy and class cutting on Wednesday, March 3, 1982, Thursday, March 4, 1982 and most of Friday, March 5, 1982; and

WHEREAS, student [REDACTED] was referred to the Child Study Team; and

WHEREAS, student [REDACTED] was afforded a meeting with Bart H. Brooks, Principal, Brick Township High School on March 5, 1982, at which time Mr. Brooks discussed the charges with student [REDACTED] and his father and gave said student an opportunity to explain his version of the incident. Mr. Brooks then advised said student [REDACTED] of student [REDACTED] suspension from the Brick Township School System pending a hearing before the Brick Township Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, a letter was forwarded to student [REDACTED] father dated March 12, 1982 advising that said student [REDACTED] was suspended from the Brick Township School System pending a hearing before the Brick Township Board of Education for reasons of truancy, class cutting and possible theft of school property; and

WHEREAS, letters were forwarded to student [REDACTED] and said student's father dated March 18, 1982 wherein student [REDACTED] and said student's father were notified of the charges against said student [REDACTED] and a scheduled hearing before the Brick Township Board of Education concerning the aforementioned charges and suspension on Tuesday, March 23, 1982 at 8:15 P.M. at the Administration Building of the Brick Township Board of Education at 101 Hendrickson Avenue, Brick Town, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned letters advised student [REDACTED] and said student's father of the right to have an attorney at said hearing and of the student's further right to cross examine witnesses to the incident and of the student's further right to the names of the witnesses to be used by the Board of Education, and the Board did in fact supply said names, and as to the nature of the evidence to be presented at said hearing, and the student's right to give testimony on the student's own behalf and to present witnesses on the student's own behalf; and

WHEREAS, both letters were hand delivered to [REDACTED] Brick Town, New Jersey on March 18, 1982; and

WHEREAS, both letters were forwarded by certified mail, return receipt requested; and

WHEREAS, the receipts were returned signed for said communications indicating that same had in fact been received by student [REDACTED] and by the aforesaid student's father; and

WHEREAS, a hearing was convened concerning the above matter on Tuesday, March 23, 1982 at the aforementioned location before the Board of

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Education of the Township of Brick; and

WHEREAS, a stenographic record was made by a certified court stenographer of which all parties were advised and consented thereto; and

WHEREAS, student [REDACTED] was represented by counsel, Brant S. Collins, Esq., who conceded the charges against student [REDACTED] with the exception of the word "forced" as set forth in charge 2; and

WHEREAS, the attorney for student [REDACTED] Brant S. Collins, Esq. stipulated that full procedural due process had been afforded to student [REDACTED] and

WHEREAS, student [REDACTED] and said student's father and mother and others appearing for and on behalf of said student [REDACTED] were given a full opportunity to address the Board as to the incident in question, as to student [REDACTED] background and potential and as to any mitigating circumstances concerning same; and

WHEREAS, the following members of the following members of the Board of Education were present at the aforesaid hearing: Richard Hancock, President, William Bell, Vice President, Arthur Williams and Anthony Donofrio; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education:

a) Gave careful and deliberate consideration to the statements made by student [REDACTED] and by others who appeared for and on behalf of said student.

b) Made a finding of fact that student [REDACTED] did conduct himself as charged.

c) Careful consideration to the Psychological Evaluation report dated March 18, 1982.

d) Gave careful consideration to the competent advice of members of its administrative staff who appeared at the aforesaid hearing during its deliberations.

e) Considered the past deportment of student [REDACTED] in the Brick Township School System and student [REDACTED] background and potential and academic achievements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that student [REDACTED] be re-admitted to the Brick Township School System on the condition that said student participate in supportive counseling at the Northern Ocean Counseling Service, to which said student and said student's parents have agreed.

Mr. Stutts read a resolution to go into executive session at 8:25 P.M. for the purpose of discussing personnel items.

Motion was made by Mr. Roblenski, seconded by Mr. Bittmann and carried unanimously to approve the above resolution.

At 8:45 P.M. the Public Meeting was resumed by Mr. Stutts again reading the Open Public Meetings Law.