

Baxter Academy for Technology and Science

Board of Directors Special Meeting

Monday, July 25, 2022

185 Lancaster Street,
Baxter Academy

Present: Thorn Dickinson (chair), Ruth Dean (vice chair), Nik Charov (secretary), Tristin Oldmixon, Simon McGurk, Jana Lapoint

Absent: Peter Montano (treasurer)

Staff: Executive Director Kelli Pryor, Head of School Cicy Po, Assistant Principal Mary King, Director of Special Education Laura Parks, Director of Operations Michael Thorp, IT Manager Amos Cooper

Agenda item

Chair Thorn Dickinson called the in-person meeting to order at 5:35pm.

Thorn Dickinson made a motion to enter Executive Session at 5:36pm for the purpose of consulting with legal counsel regarding the rights and duties of the Board pursuant to Section 405(6)(E) of Title 1 of the Maine Revised Statutes. Secretary Nik Charov seconded, all in favor.

The Board exited Executive Session at 6:16pm.

Thorn Dickinson made a motion to enter Executive Session at 6:17pm for the purpose of considering discipline of a student pursuant to Section 405(6)(B) of Title 1 of the Maine Revised Statutes. Nik Charov seconded, all in favor.

The Board exited Executive Session at 12:34am.

Thorn Dickinson made a motion to approve the resolution reached in Executive Session, as follows:

After consideration of all evidence presented at the July 25, 2022, disciplinary hearing, the Board finds that Student X is expelled from school indefinitely based on the following findings:

- 1. On or about June 9, 2022, Student X donned a black tactical vest with Airsoft rifle magazines attached while on the school bus provided by Baxter Academy for his transportation to school, and possessed a butterfly knife, as well as magazines and CO2 cartridges for an Airsoft rifle, on the school bus.*
- 2. Student X's actions were deliberately disobedient.*
- 3. Student X possessed a dangerous weapon, a butterfly knife, on the school bus furnished by Baxter Academy.*
- 4. It is necessary for the peace and usefulness of the school to expel Student X and to authorize the Executive Director and Head of School to provide Student X with a reentry plan specifying the conditions that must be met in order for Student X to be readmitted to school.*

Vice chair Ruth Dean seconded the motion. All in favor.

Thorn Dickinson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 12:39am. Nik Charov seconded. The meeting was adjourned.