

**SANTEE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

November 2, 2023  
**MINUTES**

Douglas E. Giles  
Educational Resource Center  
9619 Cuyamaca Street  
Santee, California

**A. OPENING PROCEDURES**

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by President El-Hajj.

**B. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION**

There was no public communication.

**C. CLOSED SESSION**

1. Consideration of Student Matter (Ed. Code § 48918) Student #: 3-2324

The Board entered closed session at 5:06 p.m. to discuss student discipline hearings for student #: 3-2324. This matter was heard by the Santee School Board Members Dianne El-Hajj, Ken Fox, Dustin Burns, and Barbara Ryan in closed session. Oral and documentary evidence was received. Following the presentation of evidence, President El-Hajj announced the Board members would deliberate and all other persons were asked to leave the room.

**D. RECONVENE TO PUBLIC SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT**

The Board reconvened to public session at 7:15 p.m.

**ACTION TAKEN BY BOARD**

It was motioned by Member Fox to expel student #3-2324 from the Santee School District for violation of California Education Code Sections 48900 (b) Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished a weapon (firearm, knife, explosive, or other dangerous object of no reasonable use to the pupil at school or at a school activity off school grounds), and Santee School District Board Policy 5144.1: Students: Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process and Administrative Regulations 5144.1.

The expulsion shall be immediately suspended herewith, and the student shall complete the following elements in a Rehabilitation Plan:


- Transfer to Santee Success Program through December 22, 2023.
- Achieve and maintain a 2.0 (or better) GPA for academics, effort, and citizenship performance.
- Receive no new suspensions.
- Attend school regularly with no unexcused absences or tardies.
- Perform 20 hours of community service by February 28, 2024, and provide written verification.
- Complete a counseling program for decision-making/peer pressure.
- Complete all elements of this Rehabilitation Plan by February 28, 2024 and present documentation to verify completion.


A parent must meet with the Director of Pupil Services by November 9, 2023, to review and sign the Rehabilitation Plan. If the parent fails to meet within the designated time and/or does not sign the Rehabilitation Plan, the student may be expelled without further Board action.

<u>Motion: Fox</u>	<u>El-Hajj Aye</u>	<u>Ryan Nay</u>
<u>Second Burns</u>	<u>Fox Aye</u>	<u>Levens-Craig Not Present</u>
<u>Vote: 3-1</u>	<u>Burns Aye</u>	

**E. ADJOURNMENT**

The November 2, 2023 special meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

  
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Dustin Burns, Clerk

  
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Dr. Kristin Baranski, Secretary

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**B. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION**

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**C. CLOSED SESSION**

1. Consideration of Student Matter (Ed. Code § 48918) Student #: 4-2324

The Board entered closed session at 6:10 p.m. to discuss student discipline hearings for student #: 4-2324. This matter was heard by the Santee School Board Members Dianne El-Hajj, Ken Fox, Dustin Burns, and Barbara Ryan in closed session. Oral and documentary evidence was received. Following the presentation of evidence, President El-Hajj announced the Board members would deliberate and all other persons were asked to leave the room.

**D. RECONVENE TO PUBLIC SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT**

The Board reconvened to public session at 7:18 p.m.

**ACTION TAKEN BY BOARD**

It was motioned by Member Burns to expel student #4-2324 from the Santee School District for violation of California Education Code Sections 48900 (c) & (h) Possessed, used, sold, furnished or been under the influence of alcohol, intoxicant, or controlled substance, as defined in the Health and Safety Code, use of tobacco or possession of tobacco on school property, and Santee School District Board Policy 5144.1: Students: Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process and Administrative Regulations 5144.1.

The expulsion shall be immediately suspended herewith, and the student shall complete the following elements in a Rehabilitation Plan:

- Transfer to another school as determined by administration. Student may not return to their previous school.
- Achieve and maintain a 2.0 (or better) GPA for academics, effort, and citizenship performance.
- Receive no new suspensions.
- Attend school regularly with no unexcused absences or tardies.
- Perform 20 hours of community service by February 28, 2024, and provide written verification.
- Complete a counseling program by February 28, 2024 for decision-making/peer pressure and drug/alcohol abuse prevention/treatment.
- Complete all elements of this Rehabilitation Plan by February 28, 2024, and present documentation to verify completion.


A parent must meet with the Director of Pupil Services by November 9, 2023, to review and sign the Rehabilitation Plan. If the parent fails to meet within the designated time and/or does not sign the Rehabilitation Plan, the student may be expelled without further Board action.

<u>Motion: Burns</u>	<u>El-Hajj Aye</u>	<u>Ryan Aye</u>
<u>Second Fox</u>	<u>Fox Aye</u>	<u>Levens-Craig Not Present</u>
<u>Vote: 4-0</u>	<u>Burns Aye</u>	

**E. ADJOURNMENT**

The November 2, 2023 special meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

  
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Dustin Burns, Clerk

  
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Dr. Kristin Baranski, Secretary