

underlying the disciplinary recommendation, as well as the date, time, and place of the disciplinary hearing.

4. Pursuant to the request of the Student's Parent, and as authorized by Michigan Open Meetings Act Section 8(1)(b), MCL 15.268(1)(b), the disciplinary hearing was conducted in a closed session meeting of the Board.
5. The hearing afforded the Student and the Student's representatives an opportunity to respond to the charge and to present pertinent evidence for the Board's consideration.
6. The Board has carefully considered all the evidence produced in this student discipline hearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. A preponderance of evidence establishes that on November 6th, the Student physically assaulted another student on school property in violation of state law and Student Code of Conduct.
2. Based on careful consideration of all the following factors, the Board determines that expulsion is warranted.
 - a. The Students age
 - b. The Students disciplinary history
 - c. Whether the Student has a disability
 - d. The seriousness of the behavior
 - e. Whether the behavior posed a safety risk
 - f. Whether restorative practices are a better option
 - g. Whether lesser interventions would address the behavior
3. The Student is expelled for 180 days.
4. During the time of the expulsion, the Student may not be on school grounds or attend any functions at the District without prior written approval from an appropriate administrator.
5. In addition to the expulsion, the Student must complete the following restorative practices on or before December 3, 2025: 6 counseling sessions completed with an outside the school district professional, responsibility or the parent/guardian, prior to the readmittance meeting with the Superintendent of Buchanan Community Schools. The Student's failure to complete these restorative practices may result in further disciplinary consequences.
6. The student may petition the Board for reinstatement no sooner than December 3, 2025. Before the reinstatement, the Student must do the following:
 - a. Successfully complete at least 6 counseling sessions.
 - b. Establish that the Student has not engaged in conduct during the period of expulsion that may be viewed by the Board as detrimental to the Student's continued education in the District.
 - c. Demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Board that the Student received educational instruction and cooperatively participated in an educational program during the period of expulsion and remains on current grade level.
 - d. Upon completion of the first 3 steps, the Student and Parents must contact the Superintendent's Office to reschedule a re-admittance hearing back into Buchanan Community Schools.
7. Consistent with the Revised School Code Sections 11a and 1311(1), the Board finds that the interests of the District are severed by this resolution.
8. Administrators are directed and authorized to implement all terms of this resolution and are delegated all necessary authority to do so.
9. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with

provisions of this resolution are hereby rescinded.

ROLL CALL VOTE: C. Carlson, J. Brackett, R. Writer, K. Laesch, S. Carlin, K. Berry,
and H. Burnett

NAYS: None **MOTION ADOPTED**

**QUESTIONS & COMMENTS
FROM BOARD MEMBERS** None

NEXT BOARD MEETING Monday, December 16, 2024 at 6:00pm

ADJOURNMENT 6:45 pm

Mrs. Kelly Laesch, Secretary, Board of Education
(Minutes adopted at the 12/16/24 meeting)