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THE STATE OF WISCONSIN

BEFORE

THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

In the Matter of An Appeal Filed with the State Superintendent of Public Instruction by Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. [redacted], Jr., Appealing from An Order of the Board of Education of Joint School District No. 1, Villages of Rothschild and Hatley, and City of Schofield et al., Expelling Valgene L. [redacted] from the High School of Said District.

FINDINGS OF FACT

A N D

O R D E R

Facts related to the above entitled matter were determined by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction at an informal conference held at the State Superintendent's direction by Robert Van Raalte, Assistant State Superintendent, and Max C. Ashzili, Legal Consultant for the Department of Public Instruction, at the office of Superintendent Franklin N. McIntyre, 1461 Grand Avenue, Schofield, Wisconsin, on September 30, 1964, at 7:00 o'clock P.M.

The following persons were present at said informal conference:

- Valgene L. [redacted], Student
- Mrs. Dorothy L. [redacted], Parent and Appellant
- Arthur M. L. [redacted], Jr., Parent and Appellant
- George Heins, Guidance Director, Joint District No. 1
- Alvin A. Gresson, Madison Committee & History Dept. Head
- Mary S. Stanku, World History Teacher
- A. Del Warden, U. S. History Teacher
- Wayne Henniksen, U. S. History Teacher
- Patrick Curtin, Social Studies Teacher
- LaVern L. Rick, Business Manager
- Leonard Wolff, Clerk of Board of Education
- L. C. Case, Principal of High School
- Franklin McIntyre, Superintendent of Schools
- Robert C. Altman, President of Board
- Carl W. Giesler, Board Member
- Clifford E. Johnson, Board Member
- Harry Bone, Board of Education

The following appears from information secured at said informal conference held September 30, 1964

That on or about September 3, 1964, after numerous disciplinary incidents involving various teachers at the Schofield High School, Valgene I [REDACTED], student at said high school and recipient of the disciplinary actions, was suspended.

The record is replete with Valgene's failure to obey the rules and regulations of the school authorities. The record also discloses that the school authorities, prior to the expulsion, considered fully the problem of one individual who by his persistent actions in violating the rules of the school prevented the 20 or 30 other students in the classes which Valgene attended from receiving the training to which they are entitled.

The information secured at the conference held on September 30th and the information submitted by the school authorities at that conference indicates that Mr. and Mrs. I [REDACTED] had been fully advised of Valgene's failing school record and of his suspensions from school previous to the expulsion. It also appears from the information submitted, including notes at the hearing, that Mr. and Mrs. I [REDACTED] failed to treat this information concerning the failing scholastic record of their son with interest and concern.

In consideration of the foregoing the State Superintendent affirms the authority of the Board to act in said matter and that it was proper to expel in order to maintain the discipline of the school.

The School Board at the conference indicated their interest in Valgene furthering his education by seeking vocational training. It is recommended that Mr. and Mrs. I [REDACTED] seek such advice and aid as is made available by the school district to help them seek out and secure for Valgene all available training. It is to the benefit of Valgene I [REDACTED], to the area of his residence, and to the State of Wisconsin at large that he secure such training.

IT IS HEREBY AND HEREWITH ORDERED that the expulsion of Valgene I [REDACTED] by the Board is affirmed and the appeal dismissed.

Dated this 23rd day of October, 1964.

SIGNED:

Angus B. Rosewell
ANGUS B. ROSEWELL, STATE SUPERINTENDENT
OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION