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September 16, 2020

PRESENT (Virtually by Zoom):

Hearing Officer: Attorney Michael P. McKeon, Pullman & Comley LLC

Others Present: Anthony Giovannone, Director of Fiscal Services and Operations; Jeff Woods from All-Star Transportation; Attorney Daniel P. Murphy, Court Reporter Cheryl D'Amato, the mother of the students who were the subject of the hearing.

The September 10, 2020 special meeting was called for the purpose of holding a student transportation hearing, which had been requested by the parents of the students who were the subject of the hearing.

Attorney McKeon, serving as hearing officer on behalf of the New Milford Board of Education, called the hearing to order at 10:05 p.m., and at 10:08 -- after having offered the parent the option of holding the hearing in public session, which option was declined -- Attorney McKeon moved into executive session as personally identifiable information relating to the students who were the subject of the hearing was likely to be discussed and invited into executive session the above-referenced individuals, all of whom were participating remotely by Zoom.

The hearing officer returned the hearing to public session at 12:52 p.m. and made the following motion:

On behalf of the New Milford Board of Education, and based upon the evidence that was introduced during the foregoing hearing, and in accordance with the applicable law, I hereby find the Administration's denial of the transportation services requested by the parents on behalf of their children -- who are students within the New Milford Public Schools -- complied with the provisions set forth in Board of Education Policy 3541, and therefore, the parents' request for such services is denied.

Attorney McKeon moved to adjourn the special meeting at 12:57, at which time the meeting adjourned.