



Hernando School District

Student Expulsion Appeal Hearing

Minutes - Final

Tuesday, January 13, 2026

8:30 AM

District Office-Board Room
919 N. Broad Street
Brooksville, FL 34601

THIS HEARING IS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

CALL TO ORDER

Present

- Board Chair Kayce Hawkins
- Vice Chair Shannon Rodriguez
- Board Member Michelle Bonczek
- Board Member Susan Duval
- Board Member Mark Johnson

This meeting was called to order at 8:37 A.M. The following individuals were in attendance:

Kayce Hawkins, Board Chair

Shannon Rodriguez, Vice Chair

Michelle Bonczek, Board Member

Susan Duval, Board Member

Mark Johnson, Board Member

Ray Pinder, Superintendent

Robert Meyers, School Board Attorney (Telephonically)

Kelly Pogue, Executive Office Manager to the School Board and General Counsel

Kelly Padilla, Executive Office Manager to the Superintendent

Caroline Mockler, Stall Counsel

Ryan Wilson, Discipline Hearing Officer

Jill Kolasa, Director of Student Services

Brandon Wright, Assistant Principal of DSPMS

Lisa Cropley, Executive Director

Student in Case No. E2026-11-02

Mother of student in Case No. E2026-11-02

All parties were sworn in.

CLOSED SESSION - STUDENT EXPULSION APPEAL HEARING**1. [26-3519](#)** Appeal Hearing - Student in Case No. E2026-11-02

Attachments: [Budget Sheet NEW Nov-2021-ACC No Impact](#)

RESULT: **ADOPTED AS AMENDED**

MOVER: Shannon Rodriguez

SECONDER: Michelle Bonczek

AYES Board Chair Hawkins Vice Chair Rodriguez Board Member Bonczek
Board Member Duval Board Member Johnson

*Motion to uphold the Superintendent's recommendation for the student in Case No.
E2026-11-02 to be expelled from school for the remainder of the 2025-26 school year
with educational services.*

SCHOOL BOARD COMMENTS**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:03 A.M.

Superintendent

Board Chair**Mission Statement**

The Hernando County School District Collaborates with students, parents and other community stakeholders to effectively prepare all students for a successful transition into a diverse and changing world.
