

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Student v. Meriden Board of Education

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Appearing before: Hearing Officer Elisabeth Borrino

**FINAL DECISION AND ORDER**

**ISSUES:**

1. Whether the Board failed to offer FAPE to the Student for the two year period preceding the filing of the Request for Due Process;
2. Whether the Board failed to offer FAPE for the 2010-2011 school year;
3. Whether the Board should provide compensatory education;
4. Whether the Board should have identified the Student as eligible for special education services prior to January 2010;
5. Whether the Board should pay for the cost of an Independent Education Evaluation by Muncie Kardos;
6. Whether the Evaluation performed by Muncie Kardos constitutes an Independent Evaluation within the meaning of IDEA so as to warrant reimbursement;
7. Whether the Student should be exited from special education services as of June 2011 as well as whether this issue is ripe for hearing at this time;
8. Whether the Student should be permitted to graduate if she has not fulfilled State and District requirements to do so in addition to the IEP goals and issues related to transition services. The Board contends that this issue is not ripe for hearing at this time;
9. Whether the Board should provide daily speech and language special education services to the Student;

10. Whether the Board should provide an outside consultant to oversee the Student's program.

**SUMMARY:**

On August 31, 2010 the Board received the Request for Due Process. On September 16, 2010, a Prehearing Conference was held and hearing dates were scheduled. On November 5, 2010, Counsel notified the Hearing Officer that the parties had reached a settlement agreement, withdrew the Request for Due Process, and requested that the matter be dismissed with prejudice.

**FINAL DECISION AND ORDER:**

The matter is **DISMISSED with prejudice.**