



# Innocademy

## Meeting of the Board of Directors Special Board Meeting - Student Disciplinary Hearing

**Friday, September 28, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.**  
**8485 Homestead Dr.**  
**Zeeland, MI, 49464**  
**(Northwest Team Room)**

School Mission Statement: "By embracing innovation, we inspire our students to be global thinkers and leaders by positively impacting others at home and abroad."

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1. Call to Order: Nick deVries called the meeting to order at 11:20 a.m.
2. Attendance
  - a. Board Members: Nick deVries, Matt Dietsche, Jeff Lukas, Laurie Schmitt
  - b. Guests: Kelli Gunn, Kate Webb, Sara Vereeke, Lindsay Freiburger (via Zoom), Doug McNeil, John Chandler (via Zoom - left meeting at 12:50 pm), Joy Oosterhouse, Student, Step Parent of Student
3. Public Comment on Agenda Items - NONE
4. Consent Agenda: Nick deVries made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Seconded by Jeff Lukas. Passed unanimously.
- Agenda
  1. Previous Minutes – September 20, 2018
5. Discussion Items -
  1. Student Disciplinary Hearing: Nick deVries made a motion to move into closed session per parent request and pursuant to MCL 15.268b. Seconded by Jeff Lukas. Passed unanimously
6. Action Items:
  1. Board determination and action regarding the Student Disciplinary Hearing Nick deVries made a motion that the Board of Directors hereby finds that Student 1 violated state law and school policy by possessing a dangerous weapon (knife with blade longer than 3 inches), but that this instrument was not possessed for use as a weapon or for direct or indirect delivery to another person for use as a weapon and impose a fifteen day suspension commencing September 17th through October 5, 2018. Seconded by Jeff Lukas. Passed unanimously.
7. LSSU Comment: Sara Vereeke read the following comments emailed to her by John Chandler to share with the board: It was very clear from the board's actions

today that you were intent on following the law and in balancing the best interests of the student and the general school population. You were very patient and measured in your approach today as evidenced by the almost 2 hours this disciplinary hearing process took.

8. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items: Parent was under the impression that students with IEPs are only able to be suspended 10 days maximum. Doug Mc Neil clarified that there was no maximum suspension and that we will continue to provide Special Education services to the student next week.
9. Adjournment: Nick deVries adjourned the meeting at 12:55 pm
10. Next Regular Meeting - October 25, 2018

*This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Directors in public for the purpose of conducting the Academy's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in agenda.*

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Those in attendance at this meeting are reminded that this is a meeting of the Board of Directors in public for the purpose of conducting academy business. It is not considered to be a public meeting. There is a specified time on the agenda for public comment regarding issues of importance to those in attendance.

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