

IN THE MATTER OF KEITH :
KEELER, BLOOMINGDALE BOARD :
OF EDUCATION, PASSAIC : COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION
COUNTY. :
: DECISION

Whereas, the School Ethics Commission (Commission) has acted pursuant to the authority granted to it by *N.J.S.A.* 18A:12-21 *et seq.* to recommend removal of the above-named Board member from office for failure to attend the Board member training sessions required by *N.J.S.A.* 18A:12-33 and *N.J.A.C.* 6A:28-1.6; and

Whereas the Commission sent ample notice to the above-named Board member of his failure to attend such training sessions; and

Whereas, pursuant to *N.J.A.C.* 6A:28-1.6(e), on May 21, 2003, the Commission issued an Order to Show Cause why he had not attended a training up until that time; and

Whereas, the Commission granted an extension for similarly situated board members to attend one of the June training sessions; and

Whereas, the above-named Board member advised that he was registered for the September 2003 training session; and

Whereas, the Commission voted on July 22, 2003 to recommend that the above-named Board member be suspended from the Board until he attends the September 2003 session and removed if he fails to attend the September 2003 session, and memorialized such decision through a resolution forwarded to the Commissioner of Education, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 18A:12-29; and

Whereas, on July 29, 2003, the above-named Board member was afforded an opportunity to submit to the Commissioner a response to said resolution; and

Whereas, by copy of a letter dated August 12, 2003, from the Board's School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, the Commissioner was advised that the above-named Board member resigned his position as a member of the Bloomingdale Board of Education effective August 11, 2003, rendering the issue of Board member training for this individual moot; now therefore

IT IS ORDERED that this matter is hereby dismissed as moot.*

COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION

Date of Decision: August 21, 2003

Date of Mailing: August 27, 2003

* This decision, as the Commissioner's final determination regarding penalty in the instant matter, may be appealed to the State Board of Education pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 18A:6-27 et seq.* and *N.J.A.C. 6A:4-1.1 et seq.* Pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 6A:4-1.4(a)*, Commissioner decisions are deemed filed three days after the date of mailing to the parties.