#437-12 (OAL Decision not available online)

OAL DKT. NO. EDU 9630-12 AGENCY DKT. NO. 188-7/12

A.R., on behalf of minor child, A.V.,

PETITIONER, :

V. : COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH

OF WOODLAND PARK, PASSAIC COUNTY,

RESPONDENT.

The record of this matter and the Initial Decision of the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) have been reviewed. The parties filed no exceptions to the Initial Decision.

Upon his full and independent review, the Commissioner finds that the attached letter dated August 29, 2012 from Board Attorney Jeffrey R. Merlino to the Administrative Law Judge, in which he reports: "Please be advised that following our August 23, 2012 conference, Petitioner provided the Board copies of a NJ driver's license/identification verifying her residence in Woodland Park. Accordingly, the Board withdraws its Answer and Counterclaim in the above matter and will enroll Petitioner's child(ren) in the Woodland Park Public Schools for the upcoming school year[,]" along with the parties' failure to appear at an in-person status conference at the OAL on October 10, 2012 and petitioner's lack of exceptions to the Initial Decision, compel a conclusion that this residency matter has been rendered moot.

Accordingly, the Initial Decision of the OAL is adopted and the instant Petition of Appeal is hereby dismissed.

IT IS SO ORDERED.\*

**COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION** 

**DECISION** 

Date of Decision: November 13, 2012 Date of Mailing: November 13, 2012

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<sup>\*</sup> This decision 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.*