

IN THE MATTER OF WILLIAM E. :
YOUNG, ASBURY PARK BOARD OF : COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION
EDUCATION, MONMOUTH COUNTY. : DECISION
_____:

Whereas, the School Ethics 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. 6:3-9.4*; and

Whereas, the School Ethics 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. 6:3-9.3(i)*, on March 26, 1997 the Commission issued an Order to Show Cause why a penalty should not be imposed for such failure; and

Whereas, the above-named Board member failed to provide a timely response to the Order of the Commission; and

Whereas, the Commission voted on May 27, 1997, to recommend removal of the above-named Board member for failure to timely attend training sessions in violation of State statute, memorializing such decision through a resolution forwarded to the Commissioner, pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 18A:12-29*; and

Whereas, on May 28, 1997, the above-named Board member was afforded an opportunity to submit to the Commissioner a response to said resolution recommending removal; and

Whereas, a response was submitted on behalf of the above-named Board member indicating that he had been previously scheduled to attend an unspecified training session but was compelled to cancel due to a conflicting employment obligation, and that he had registered for, and planned to attend, the session to be held on June 20-22, 1997; and

Whereas, the Commissioner of Education has confirmed that the above-named Board member has, in fact, attended the June 20-22, 1997 training session; and

Whereas, the Commissioner of Education has carefully considered the record of this matter and the decision of the School Ethics Commission, and, having done so, declines to order removal of the above-named Board member in light of his attendance at the June 20-22, 1997 training session, instead finding suspension to be the appropriate penalty in this instance; now therefore

IT IS ORDERED that a one-meeting suspension is imposed on the above-named Board member, to be effective for the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board.

COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION

JULY 8, 1997