

BEFORE THE SCHOOL BOARD OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA

SCHOOL BOARD OF PALM BEACH
COUNTY, FLORIDA,

Petitioner,

vs.

Case No.: 11-5459TTS
Honorable Robert E. Meale

AUGUSTUS CHAPPELLE,

Respondent.

FINAL ORDER

THIS CAUSE, came before the SCHOOL BOARD OF PALM BEACH COUNTY (hereinafter referred to as "SCHOOL BOARD") pursuant to Fla. Stat. § 120.569 and 120.57, on January 30, 2012, via video teleconference for the purpose of an administrative hearing. The Administrative Law Judge's Recommended Order was entered on March 15, 2012, recommending that a final order be entered suspending Respondent without pay and terminating Respondent from employment with the School Board.

Present at the hearing for the Petitioner was counsel, A. Denise Sagerholm, Esq., Associate Counsel and Sandra L. Gero, Director of Employee Relations. Respondent appeared on his own behalf. Upon review of the Recommended Order, the Board makes the following findings and conclusions.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The findings of fact set forth in the Recommended Order are approved, adopted and incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.
2. There is competent substantial evidence to support the findings of fact.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

3. The Board has jurisdiction of this matter pursuant to Fla. Stat. § 120.57(1).
4. The conclusions of law set forth in the Recommended Order are approved, adopted and incorporated herein by reference.


WHEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED AND ADJUGED, that the Recommended Order from the Administrative Law Judge is hereby adopted and approved by the School Board and resolves all issues relating to the appeal of Augustus Chappelle's recommended disciplinary action. Accordingly, the Board hereby issues a Final Order suspending Augustus Chappelle without pay and terminating his employment with the School Board. This Final Order shall take effect upon being filed with Clerk of the SCHOOL BOARD OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA.

DONE AND ORDERED this 18th day of April, 2012.

SCHOOL BOARD OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA



E. WAYNE GENT, SUPERINTENDENT



FRANK A. BARBIERI JR. ESQ., CHAIRMAN

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO JUDICIAL REVIEW

Any party who was adversely affected by this Final Order is entitled to judicial review pursuant to Fla. Stat. §120.68. Review proceedings are governed by the Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. Such proceedings are commenced by filing one copy of a Notice of

Appeal with the agency clerk of the SCHOOL BOARD OF PALM BEACH COUNTY and a second copy, accompanied by filing fees prescribed by law, with the 4th District Court of Appeal or with the District Court of Appeal in the Appellate District, where the party resides. The Notice of Appeal must be filed within 30 days of rendition of the Order to be reviewed.

Respectfully submitted this 27th day of April, 2012.

/s/ signed electronically
A. Denise Sagerholm Esq.
Counsel for the Petitioner

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY a true and correct copy of the foregoing Final Order was sent via U. S. Mail to Augustus Chappelle, 3249 C. Garden East Drive, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410, this 27th day of April, 2012.

SCHOOL BOARD OF PALM BEACH
COUNTY, FLORIDA OFFICE OF
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