

IOWA STATE BOARD
OF EDUCATION
(Cite as 14 D.o.E. App. Dec. 47)

In re Concerned Citizens for Education :

Judith Holmes, Appellant, :

v. : **RULING ON REQUEST FOR TELEPHONIC HEARING**

Lawton-Bronson Community School District, Appellee. : [Admin. Doc. # 3827]

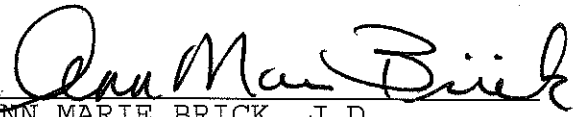
1. The Notice of Appeal hearing in the above-captioned matter states that the hearing will be held in the State Board Room at the Grimes State Office Building, on January 29, 1997, at 9:30 a.m.
2. On or about January 22, 1997, Lawton-Bronson Community School District, through Superintendent Robert Raymer, has requested that they not be obliged to attend the hearing in person. Because of concerns regarding distance, time and expense, and the fact that the witnesses would have to travel approximately 200 miles to come to Des Moines and arrive by 9:30 a.m., the District asks that it be allowed to attend the hearing telephonically.
3. There is nothing in the Administrative Rules which would prevent one party from attending in-person while the other party attends the hearing telephonically, if desired.

Because of the hardship an "in-person" hearing would cause District's personnel, they are hereby granted the opportunity to attend the hearing telephonically. For the sake of Appellant's convenience, they may also attend the hearing telephonically or, if they wish, they may drive to Des Moines and attend the hearing in person. For both parties, we request any Exhibits intended to be introduced at the hearing be faxed or mailed to all parties prior to the morning of the January 29, 1997.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATE

1-24/97


ANN MARIE BRICK, J.D.
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE