
From: Amy Allard
Sent: Wednesday, May 20, 2020 1:52 PM
To: Public Comments
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Invest in bilingual education

Hello,

I am a parent of an incoming kindergarten girl at Jessie Beck Elementary School, and I hope she ends up being part of their dual immersion program there. I just found out, however, that Swope Middle School recently lost its Spanish program. I just wanted to express my concern regarding this, and say I know the importance of offering students a second language to learn. Learning a second language not only makes a child ultimately smarter, but also more considerate of others' cultures.

I will be contacting the board again, so until then- good job with everything else you are doing!

Amy Allard

From: Dan Inskeep
Sent: Wednesday, May 20, 2020 2:26 PM
To: Public Comments
Subject: [EXTERNAL] WCSD Naming Committee action item
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Dear Washoe Schools Board of Trustees,

I am gratified to hear that my late brother, Mike Inskeep, is a finalist to be considered in the naming of one of your campuses. His passion for life, education, and world experiences was contagious and continues to motivate me to make the most of every day. I'm confident that he had the same influence on his many students and coworkers. He is truly a worthy candidate that has undoubtedly had a lasting positive impact on those that had the good fortune of spending time with him.

Regardless of the outcome of the pending naming decision, I think I can speak for his entire family in expressing our gratitude for his consideration for this honor.

Thank you and stay safe!

Dan Inskeep
Hermosa Beach CA
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From: Dan Inskeep
Sent: Thursday, May 21, 2020 12:05 PM
To: Batchelder, Jennifer
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fw: Naming Committee

For WCSD consideration:

From: Wendy Senour
Sent: Thursday, May 21, 2020 8:00 AM
To: Samantha.Fredrickson@washoeschools.net
Subject: Naming Committee

Good Morning Samantha~

I just wanted to write a short note to thank you and the nominating committee for considering naming your new school in honor of my late brother Michael Inskeep.

Mike loved teaching! Even though we lived far apart and I never got to watch him in the classroom we loved to share stories about teaching. We had very different experiences as he taught Junior High and I taught Kindergarten and 1st grade, but I could feel his joy.

I was lucky enough to see him in action when he shared his love for history at the retirement home our mom and dad lived in. He came in full Civil War regalia and spoke to the residents about the war. There were lively discussions afterwards and I heard talk of it many times during future visits.

No matter the outcome, we are so proud to have had him in our lives and to share him with the many, many students this gentle giant of a man touched.

Warm regards,
Wendy Senour

Sent from my iPhone

From: Terry Jetton
Sent: Saturday, May 23, 2020 2:22 PM
To: Public Comments
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Comment for discussion at board meeting

Hello again,

I have some questions about the upcoming school year that I'm sure will be discussed though I have some specific concerns I would like addressed if not already being mentioned.

- My biggest concern is with the review of information instead of learning new material during the distance learning. We're now facing the possibility of the kids not going back to classrooms this fall, is the district coming up with a real plan to address the very serious problems with the current distance learning.

- Given the track record with the district not being able to handle distance learning over the past couple of years, is there a possibility of getting a voucher to send my kids to a private school?

Thank you for the time, and hopefully the positive dialog can continue so we can help get our children back on track.

Thanks,
Terry

From: Jennifer Dunkley
Sent: Tuesday, May 26, 2020 6:09 PM
To: Public Comments
Subject: [EXTERNAL] north valleys rezoning comment for meeting

Hello,

I would like to comment about the rezoning for Silver Lake Elementary school. We live in the area marked as Silver Lake rural and believe we should stay zoned for Silver Lake. I think it makes more sense to rezone the Silver Lake apartment students who are already being bused or homes closest to Stead elementary over to that school rather than make the children who live farther away be bused even longer. The younger children can't handle being on the bus as long as the middle and high school students so I worry about how much of the day they would be on the bus and what kind of behavioral problems might crop up. I believe that the farther away a student's school is the less likely parents will take the time to come to events and be involved and that is very important with our youngest students. If you only rezone the students from the rural areas would it even be enough to make a meaningful long term impact on Silver Lake's overcrowding when taking all of the new construction into consideration?

As a second choice we would prefer going to Nancy Gomes over the other options. With the massive amounts of apartments being built in Stead and Lemmon Valley I think those schools will have more potential for overcrowding over Nancy Gomes.

We also prefer any option for Cold Springs Middle school over O'Brien. This is because we think it will remain less crowded than O'Brien and there are less problems at Cold Springs. Adding more students into O'Brien a year before opening the new larger campus would only cause more problems. Hearing of children having items stolen and students needing clear backpacks does not make me want to put my children at that school. Myself and several other families that we know would ask for a variance to Cold Springs or pull our students for home or charter school before going to O'Brien.

Thank you,

Jennifer

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