
From: Pablo Nava Duran
Sent: Thursday, September 9, 2021 7:19 PM
To: Public Comments; Jeffrey.Church@washoeschool.net; Smith, Elizabeth A; BoardMembers@washoeschool.net
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Redistricting and Northwest Reno zoning

Dear Board Members,

I wanted to inform you that I will not be attending the WCSD board meeting on Tuesday September 16th, but I will attend Zoning committee meeting in next Thursday September 18th in Verdi. Since Beth Smith left the Zoning Committee for becoming board member, the zoning committee need to find the replacement to replace her. Also, I hear rumor about redistricting Board of Trustees on district map that can affect my neighborhood (Neil Road Area). In this email, I will take about North west Reno rezoning, replacement for chairman/woman for Zoning Committee, and redistricting for biard members.

In package of zoning committee, these are area who live in 4th street corridor who currently zoned for Verdi ES and Billingshurst MS, but split to go to Reno HS that is vertical realignment problematic; and they travel nine miles to go to Verdi ES, but travel nine miles to high school is fine, for elementary school is not very fine for very young students whi have to travel long distance to school. Rezoning to Roy Gromm ES and Swope MS is a best options for students at they can go to school closer, emililate split feeder in HS and better vertical realignment up to Reno HS. I would like other options for west 4th street corridor students to what does the number look like if these students rezoning to Warner ES and Clayton MS instead, similar to opening of Desert Skies MS rezoning. Warner ES feed to Clayton MS, but I don't know which HS could Warner ES goes to. Gromm ES will be relieved by taking sixth graders to Swope MS next school year and moving GT program to other school. Swope MS is currently underutilized and there are space for 4th street corridor students. Additional, there are area whi split feeder for HS in Southern Verdi area. They currently zoned for Verdi ES and Billingshurst MS but they zoned for Reno HS. Since addition Huffaker ES, Reno HS is getting overcrowding, and need to relieve and eliminate split feeder by rezoning southern Verdi area to McQueen HS.

In Clayton MS area, there are split feeder among elementary schools that split to different HS. Clayton MS are split three HS (McQueen, Reno, and Hug HS). North of Mccarran and Southern Panther Valley there currently zoned for Peavine/Elmcrust ES, Clayton MS, and Hug HS, that is a vertical realignment problem. It make sense to rezoning Southern Panther Valley area from Peavine/Elmcrust ES and Clayton MS to Lemelson ES and Traner MS to have better realignment though HS. Lemelson ES and Trainer MS are Hug feeder schools and reduce Clayton MS split to two HS (McQueen and Reno HS).

Since Beth Smith resigned as a ZAC chairwoman for Board of Trustee, zoning committee need to have new chairman/woman to replace her. I will speak about replacement of chairman/woman and I will announce my top three candidates or zoning members who should be chairman/woman or vice chairman/woman.

Since the 2020 census is over, there are talk about redistricting Board of Trustees district map. I did saw the district map and it does not make sense. I live in District A and F at-large and Neil Road area is gerrymandering and divided between district A/D. Here my proposal for redistricting: District A and D: rezone Huffaker area from District A to District D (Holcomb Ranch Ln) exchange for rezone Meadowood area from District D to District A; rezone rest of Neil Road area from District D to District A to eliminate gerrymandering. As the South Reno is growing rapidly, rezone Donner Springs and Hidden Valley area from District A to District D to equal population. District A and E: rezone rest of Verdi area from District A to District E. District B and D: rezone south of I-80 from District B to District D. District B, C, and E: rezone rest of Sun Valley and Wildcreek area from District C and E to District B. District C and E: rezone North Valleys area (except Panther Valley area) from District E to District C. District D and E: rezone North of 1-80 from District D to District E.

District F and G: rezone Brown area (Southern Damonte Ranch area) from District F to District G. Remain South Virginia is divided (East - District F/ West District G). Here my prediction for redistricting for next ten years.

Sincerely,

Pablo Nava Duran

From: Morgan Kolvet
Sent: Friday, September 10, 2021 12:28 PM
To: kmcneill@washoeshools.net
Cc: Covington, Tami; BoardMembers; Public Comments
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Discrimination- Masks - CDC Recommendations

Good afternoon,

I am emailing you regarding discrimination regarding the illegal mask mandate.

As parents we are having to fight for our children since the "heads" of WCSD are refusing to protect the children's best interest. In doing that, my children have the right to breathe fresh air and not be subjected to breathing in constant bacteria in a heavy material mask.

My children and many others I've seen have been given mesh material face coverings that cover their nose and mouth, which satisfies the governors illegal directive.

However, there is NO existing law that requires a mask for one, two with this mandate there is NO law that states what the material must be. The CDC Website "recommends" many different styles which includes even plastic face shields which many schools are allowing; especially the charter and private schools.

I have brought this up with my daughters Principal and his response was:

The following is the directive given to me by WCSD:

"Students and staff must wear masks that are made of some kind of fabric, unless they have a medical exemption that has been approved through Health Services or Risk Management. Decorative masks that are see-through/mesh do not meet the requirement of wearing a mask."

This is another over step by WCSD as the governors mandate does not specify this. Which is why I assume it's not publicly posted, nor did the district send this out to all parents. It would go against the directive.

Additionally, I asked the Principal if WCSD is going to implement "recommendations", then why are you not using the recommended proper protocols for masks across the board?

The CDC & Washoe County Health Department recommend proper protocols for mask removal to include: Removing, folding, storing and immediately washing hands.

It was confirmed this is not the case at all, therefore you are picking and choosing what "recommendations or guidelines" to follow and are further discriminating. Many schools are picking and choosing their rules and it's harming children. You were chosen to protect our children and do what's in their best interest yet, none of the "heads" of this district seem to be fighting for what's best.

Which is why at least 3 of 4 of our children will be pulled from WCSD and encouraging many others to do the same. Private, charter, homeschool or outer districts are better options than WCSD, which is unfortunate - but it's board created.

I will be forwarding this information to the attorneys fighting for our kid's best interest however I am asking that you stop discriminating and making up your own bogus rules and inform your district employees to allow kids to wear the

face coverings their parents feel is in their best health and interest, whether that is mesh, plastic shields etc. I would hope you stop over stepping on your employees as well and allow them to wear what's best for their own health too.

Thank you.

Morgan Kolvet

From: GLORIA MARTIN
Sent: Friday, September 10, 2021 1:27 PM
To: Public Comments
Subject: [EXTERNAL] 9/11

Having lived outside NYC during 9/11 and experiencing the devastation to the city and our neighborhoods, never, ever did I imagine our schools would let this horrid action be forgotten, and yet, that's what has happened. Why such a relevant event is not part of every schools curriculum is incredibly unAmerican and our county, Washoe County School District, is guilty of this.

I hope this very important piece of history, so fresh and painful in so many minds, will be added to the curriculum by this seated Board Of Education.

Thank you,
Gloria Martin

*Congratulations to those teachers who stepped up to the plate and brought this to their curriculum. They should be honored by the community!

From: Guzman, Viola
Sent: Friday, September 10, 2021 7:14 PM
To: Public Comments
Subject: Public Comment: Plastic used in school lunches

Dear school board:

I would like to tell you about what I think is a major problem in the district. I think that Washoe County School District should use less plastic.

Plastic, we think it is an amazing resource and you can make many things out of it but look a little closer and it is deadly.

Reason one, it takes longer than a human lifetime to biodegrade. It takes 2000 years to biodegrade minimum.

Reason two, it harms us, toxic chemicals are in plastic and when the plastic is dumped into landfills or is burned those toxic chemicals get into our air, our food, and our water. This hurts us and gives us ailments.

Reason three, plastic hurts nature. Animals get tangled in plastic, eat plastic, and even get it in their noses. They are severely harmed by plastic.

Solution, we could leave plastic behind us and use recycled paper, sporks, plates, etc. This is much more environmentally friendly.

Therefore, I believe our district should use paper instead of plastic.

Take care,

Viola, 5th grade



From: William Lynch
Sent: Monday, September 13, 2021 2:59 PM
To: Public Comments
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Un-mask the students

Please stop playing into the fear and look at some actual numbers. This virus obviously does not impact children at any significant level. Muzzling the students is far more dangerous and damaging. Let the parents decide for themselves. You are destroying children's school experience and forcing them to live in fear for no real, true, scientific reason. You should be ashamed of yourselves.

Sent from my iPhone

From: Kristin_McAfee
Sent: Monday, September 13, 2021 9:09 PM
To: Public Comments
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Remove mask mandates and stop student exclusion

Maybe it's isn't clear to you but the use of masks is repugnant.... If you are excluding students who tested positive and those who are in close proximity, you are all but admitting that the masks don't protect anyone from anything... Because, If the masks worked then students would be able to come to school and wear their muzzle and not be afraid of getting sick or passing along the illness! But since we all know they don't work they are pointless, this is especially true if you are still planning on excluding entire classrooms or schools. Maybe it's because you were educated here in NV and critical thinking is not something that is taught, you might want to try really hard to use those few brain cells you seem to have to really try to understand basic logical concepts.

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From: Jack Banks
Sent: Tuesday, September 14, 2021 4:45 AM
To: Public Comments
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Public comment

I am a longtime school bus driver two quick comments 1st is you would be able to keep drivers if you bump the pay up like the pay scale instead of a 17 bump them up to a 20 it's not fair when you have a new hire get as much as a driver who has been here for a while.

2nd with these sports teams and covid we tell them to ware a mask but none of them listen not even the coach they have mask onvbut the take them off when they sit down the coaches say nothing they and the AD'S need to be more accountable.

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

From: marilou
Sent: Tuesday, September 14, 2021 6:09 AM
To: Public Comments
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Bus drivers

My husband is a school bus driver his bus is equipped with a out side camera I think the district should look into those cameras taking a snap shot of the license plate each time a vehicle runs a bus stop lights once these drivers start getting tickets in the mail they will think twice and its extra revenue for the school district the technology is there just try and not pay a toll at a bridge in calif. You will get that ticket in the mail. At 305\$ a ticket and the amount of people that run a school bus stop sign you do the math on what the school district can make in a year

From: Brittany Bland
Sent: Tuesday, September 14, 2021 6:18 AM
To: Public Comments
Cc: BoardMembers
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Stop social justice, minimal standard already met

Dear WCSD Board Members-

Please watch this video below from a Dad, who is a direct descendent from the North American slave trade. And please remember CRT is categorized under "Social Justice" here in Reno.

Also, just a reminder that the Social Justice standard in our school district is already fulfilled under Social Studies.

<https://youtu.be/SG3s4mkHGzI>

Thank you,
Brittany Bland