From:

Sent: Wednesday, October 27, 2021 1:04 PM

**To:** Public Comments

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support for Adam Mayberry for Trustee.

Hello,

I wanted to write you in regards of Mr. Mayberry. I was luck enough to be enrolled in one of his classes at Truckee Meadows Community College. He is an unforgettable teacher, a great friend, and an even better Father. We need his leadership in this community. I have no doubt, that he will continue to lead this county into greener pastures. I support him fully.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely, Jeffrey Atilio Capurro November 2, 2021

Washoe County School District Board of Trustees 425 East 9<sup>th</sup> Street Reno, NV 89512

Dear President Taylor and Trustees:

I want to recommend Mr. Adam Mayberry to serve as Trustee for the Washoe County School District F.

Adam served as my Communications Director during the 108 and 109<sup>th</sup> U.S. Congress. He provided valuable counsel to me and helped to build relationships with key constituencies in Nevada's Congressional District 3.

I observed his leadership while serving on the Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority Board of Trustees and was impressed by his leadership, fairness, careful analysis and deliberation of important items.

Adam cares about the future of his community. He is a proud Nevadan and dedicated public servant who will bring a calm demeanor and common sense decision making to the Washoe County School Board and has my highest recommendation.

Sincerely,

Jon C. Porter

Member of Congress (NV/Ret.)

From: Jenni Espinoza

Sent: Tuesday, November 2, 2021 12:15 PM

To: Public Comments; Church, Jeffrey; Minetto, Ellen; Nicolet, Diane M; Rodriguez, Joseph M; Smith,

Elizabeth A; Taylor, Angela

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Email in Support of Elvira Diaz for District F

Dear WCSD Board of Trustees, <BR> <BR>My name is Jennifer Espinoza and I am resident of Reno Washoe county/a teacher in WCSD a WCSD student/a WCSD student]. <BR> <BR>I am writing to urge you to vote for Elvira Diaz to fill the vacancy in District F. Elvira is a long-time activist in the community and has always supported students, especially Latinx and LGBTQ students. I have known her for 10 years and can attest to her community involvement. <BR> <BR>I think she would be an excellent trustee, and I ask for your vote in selecting her as the new trustee for District F. <BR> <BR>Sincerely, <BR> <BR> Jennifer Espinosa

From: Galdina Espinoza

Sent: Tuesday, November 2, 2021 12:22 PM

To: Public Comments; Church, Jeffrey; Minetto, Ellen; Nicolet, Diane M; Rodriguez, Joseph M; Smith,

Elizabeth A; Taylor, Angela

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Email in Support of Elvira Diaz for District F

Dear WCSD Board of Trustees, <BR> <BR>My name is Galdina Espinoza, and I am a resident of Washoe county a parent of a WCSD student/m. <BR> <BR>I am writing to urge you to vote for Elvira Diaz to fill the vacancy in District F. Elvira is a long-time activist in the community and has always supported students, especially Latinx and LGBTQ students. I have known her for 12 years and can attest to her community involvement. <BR> <BR>I think she would be an excellent trustee, and I ask for your vote in selecting her as the new trustee for District F. <BR> <BR> Sincerely, <BR> Galdina Espinoza

**From:** christian arroyo

**Sent:** Wednesday, November 3, 2021 8:16 AM

To: Public Comments; Church, Jeffrey; Minetto, Ellen; Nicolet, Diane M; Rodriguez, Joseph M; Smith,

Elizabeth A; Taylor, Angela

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Email in Support of Elvira Diaz for District F

Dear WCSD Board of Trustees,

My name is [Christian Arroyo], and I am [a WCSD student].

I am writing to urge you to vote for Elvira Diaz to fill the vacancy in District F. Elvira is a long-time activist in the community and has always supported students, especially Latinx and LGBTQ students. I have known her for my whole life year; she's my mother she's my best friend, and she can attest to her community involvement.

I think she would be an excellent trustee, and I ask for your vote in selecting her as the new trustee for District F.

Sincerely,

[Christian Arroyo]

**From:** Cesar Marquez

**Sent:** Wednesday, November 3, 2021 1:19 PM

To: Public Comments; Church, Jeffrey; Minetto, Ellen; Nicolet, Diane M; Rodriguez, Joseph M; Smith,

Elizabeth A; Taylor, Angela; elviraforsparks@gmail.com

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Email in Support of Elvira Diaz for District F

Dear WCSD Board of Trustees,

My name is Cesar Marquez and I am a resident of Washoe county.

I am writing to urge you to vote for Elvira Diaz to fill the vacancy in District F. Elvira is a long-time activist in the community and has always supported students, especially Latinx and LGBTQ students. I have known her for 3 years and can attest to her community involvement.

I think she would be an excellent trustee, and I ask for your vote in selecting her as the new trustee for District F.

Sincerely,

Cesar Marquez

**From:** Brian Beffort

**Sent:** Wednesday, November 3, 2021 1:43 PM

To: Public Comments; Church, Jeffrey; Minetto, Ellen; Nicolet, Diane M; Rodriguez, Joseph M; Smith,

Elizabeth A; Taylor, Angela; elviraforsparks@gmail.com

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Email in Support of Elvira Diaz for District F

Dear WCSD Board of Trustees,

My name is Brian Beffort, and I am a resident of Washoe County.

I am writing to urge you to vote for Elvira Diaz to fill the vacancy in District F. Elvira is a long-time activist in the community and has always supported students, especially Latinx and LGBTQ students. I have known her for [x] years and can attest to her community involvement.

I think she would be an excellent trustee, and I ask for your vote in selecting her as the new trustee for District F.

Sincerely,

[your name]

From: Adela Quiroz

Sent: Wednesday, November 3, 2021 2:24 PM

To: Public Comments; Church, Jeffrey; Minetto, Ellen; Nicolet, Diane M; Rodriguez, Joseph M; Smith,

Elizabeth A; Taylor, Angela; elviraforsparks@gmail.com

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Email in Support of Elvira Diaz for District F

Dear WCSD Board of Trustees,

My name is Adela Quiroz-Perez and I am a resident of Washoe county & a former WCSD student.

I am writing to urge you to vote for Elvira Diaz to fill the vacancy in District F. Elvira is a long-time activist in the community and has always supported students, especially Latinx and LGBTQ students. I have known her for 11 years and can attest to her community involvement.

I think she would be an excellent trustee, and I ask for your vote in selecting her as the new trustee for District F.

Sincerely,

Adela Quiroz-Perez

**From:** gamaliel enriquez

**Sent:** Wednesday, November 3, 2021 2:43 PM

To: Public Comments; Church, Jeffrey; Minetto, Ellen; Nicolet, Diane M; Rodriguez, Joseph M; Smith,

Elizabeth A; Taylor, Angela; elviraforsparks@gmail.com

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Email in Support of Elvira Diaz for District F

Dear WCSD Board of Trustees,

My name is Gamaliel, and I am a resident of Washoe county.

I am writing to urge you to vote for Elvira Diaz to fill the vacancy in District F. Elvira is a long-time activist in the community and has always supported students, especially Latinx and LGBTQ students. I have known her for 5 years and can attest to her community involvement.

I think she would be an excellent trustee, and I ask for your vote in selecting her as the new trustee for District F.

Sincerely,

Gamaliel

From: lucilleadin

**Sent:** Wednesday, November 3, 2021 3:14 PM

To: Public Comments; Church, Jeffrey; Minetto, Ellen; Nicolet, Diane M; Rodriguez, Joseph M; Smith,

Elizabeth A; Taylor, Angela; elviraforsparks@gmail.com

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Email in Support of Elvira Diaz for District F

Dear WCSD Board of Trustees, My name is Lucille Adin, and I am a resident of Washoe county. I am writing to urge you to vote for Elvira Diaz to fill the vacancy in District F. Elvira is a long-time activist in the community and has always supported students, especially Latinx and LGBTQ students. I have known her for over 15 years and can attest to her community involvement. I think she would be an excellent trustee, and I ask for your vote in selecting her as the new trustee for District F. Sincerely, Lucille Adin

From: Hawah Ahmad

**Sent:** Wednesday, November 3, 2021 5:33 PM

To: Public Comments; Church, Jeffrey; Minetto, Ellen; Nicolet, Diane M; Rodriguez, Joseph M; Smith,

Elizabeth A; Taylor, Angela; elviraforsparks@gmail.com

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Email in Support of Elvira Diaz for District F

### Dear WCSD Board of Trustees,

My name is [name], and I am a resident of Washoe county and a graduate of Washoe County School District. I have a lot of issues with the conduct of this board and the lack of representation or care of our students' futures. For that reason, I support Elvira Diaz to fill the vacancy for District F. Elvira in an activists in all the best ways for students, and only for students. She is the type of person who will and has fought for children in the district against bullying and will support making sure our students are competitive in the national and international environment. Most importantly, Elvira's activism isn't driven by partisanship, like one specific member of this board. Her advocacy and activism are driven by ensuring that children have a safe and nurturing environment to grow, as can be seen by the fact that her children have done nothing but excel from Washoe County School District.

I think she would be an excellent trustee, and I ask for your vote in selecting her as the new trustee for District F.

Sincerely,

Hawah Ahmad

**From:** marinescano

**Sent:** Wednesday, November 3, 2021 8:27 PM

To: Public Comments; Church, Jeffrey; Minetto, Ellen; Nicolet, Diane M; Rodriguez, Joseph M; Smith,

Elizabeth A; Taylor, Angela; elviraforsparks@gmail.com

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Email in Support of Elvira Diaz for District F

Dear WCSD Board of Trustees, my name is Marines Cano, and I am a resident of Washoe county. I am writing to urge you to vote for Elvira Diaz to fill the vacancy in District F. Elvira is a long-time activist in the community and has always supported students, especially Latinx and LGBTQ students. I have known her for four years and can attest to her community involvement. I think she would be an excellent trustee, and I ask for your vote in selecting her as the new trustee for District F.

Sincerely, Marines Cano From: Michael Biselli

**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 2:25 PM

**To:** Public Comments

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Recommendation and support for Mr. Adam Mayberry

Dear President Taylor and Trustees,

Please allow me to introduce myself. I am Mike Biselli, a retired City of Sparks Public Works Manager and current resident of northern Nevada. I have also served on many nonprofit boards including, Secret Witness, Faith House Ministries, Sierra Nevada Teen Ranch, Center Street Mission and the City of Sparks Employees Federal Credit Union. In addition, I have organized fundraisers for many local nonprofit organizations including The Children's Cabinet, Secret Witness, Hosanna Home, Reno Battle Born VFW Post 9211, Sparks Pop Warner, Reed High School, Sparks Police Widow and Orphans Fund and many others. After our son received a full athletic scholarship to attend and play football at Stanford University, we started helping other student-athletes and their families navigate the athletic recruiting process. Without the support of the teachers, staff and coaches at Reed High School, our son's dream of playing Division I College football while earning two degrees would likely have remained just that... a dream. But that dream became a reality because of the village that helped raise him! Our daughter attended the University of Nevada, Reno and Mills College on scholarships, worked for two years teaching school in Charlotte, North Carolina as a member of Teach of America and has continued to have a successful and impactful career in education. I truly understand the importance of education and our family will always have a special place in our hearts for the Washoe County School District.

I watched the news story of the Washoe County School District Board interviewing candidates to fill the vacant WCSD Trustee position. I wholeheartedly endorse Mr. Adam Mayberry to be consider to fill the vacant position. I have a unique perspective as I have had the honor and pleasure to work first hand with Mr. Mayberry when he was the Public Information Officer at the City of Sparks. I worked very closely with Adam as he supported the Public Works Department and we worked very closely during emergency events in the City of Sparks and northern Nevada. After having the opportunity to work so closely with Mr. Mayberry, I watched how he interacted with other City of Sparks employees and the public. I found Mr. Mayberry to be consistent in the way he treated others and how genuine he was. Mr. Mayberry's passion for his work and the betterment of the entire community has always been very refreshing. Mr. Adam Mayberry would serve the Washoe County School District with that same passion and commitment he has demonstrated throughout his career in public service.

I am currently organizing a Veterans Appreciation Dinner at the Reno Battle Born VFW Post 9211 on December 18th. All Veterans will be welcome to attend and enjoy a free spaghetti dinner. I casually mentioned to Adam that I am in need of cooks, without hesitation, Adam said he would be happy to help... truly a person with deep compassion and commitment to serve others and his community!

I am sharing this information with you because I know in my heart that Mr. Adam Mayberry will be an incredible asset to the Washoe County School District and he will put students first. I can assure you, there will never be a time when Adam Mayberry will do anything to embarrass the Washoe County School District, his family or himself, he just has that type of integrity that you never have to worry about surprises. During the College athletic-recruiting process, one of the biggest issues the coaches and recruiting coordinators try to find out is will this student-athlete do anything to embarrass the program or institution. That is certainly a box you can check as Mr. Adam Mayberry possesses high character, makes sound decisions and will never create a situation to embarrass the Washoe County School District. Mr. Adam Mayberry will represent the Washoe County School District with extreme dedication and exuberance!!

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. And thank you all for your service to the students, parents, teachers and staff of the Washoe County School District and northern Nevada... what you all do makes a huge difference in our community and in the lives of every Washoe County School District student!!

Please feel free to contact me if you have and questions regarding Mr. Adam Mayberry

Sincerely,

Mike Biselli

From: Donald Abbott

Sent: Thursday, November 4, 2021 5:09 PM

**To:** Public Comments

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Adam Mayberry

Hello School Board Trustees,

I wanted to reach out and express my support for Adam Mayberry to fill the the seat for District F. I worked with Mr. Mayberry when I first started working with the City of Sparks. He did an excellent job of being our Public Information Officer and was well respected by his colleagues and his co-workers. Adam is proud to be a Nevadan but even more proud to be a Father to his amazing two daughters Aydan & Reagan.

His girls is one of the reasons why he is interested in this position. Mr. Mayberry is parent with kids in the district which allows him to be the closest to see the results of the policy that is set from the School board trickle down to the kids. Adam has done a tremendous job of helping the City of Sparks and now the Truckee Meadows Fire Authority and will do an amazing job of helping to lead the Washoe County School district into the future.

As a voting member of District F I wholeheartedly support Adam Mayberry to be our new District F representative. Thank you for taking the time to read this and I appreciate everyones service to our community!

Thanks,

**Donald Abbott** 

From:

Sent: Thursday, November 4, 2021 6:56 PM

To: Public Comments; Church, Jeffrey; Minetto, Ellen; Nicolet, Diane M; Rodriguez, Joseph M; Smith,

Elizabeth A; Taylor, Angela; elviraforsparks@gmail.com

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Email in Support of Elvira Diaz for District F

I strongly support Elvira Diaz for the vacant position in District F.

Paula McDonough

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From: paul alan

Sent: Thursday, November 4, 2021 1:10 PM

To: Public Comments; Church, Jeffrey; Minetto, Ellen; Nicolet, Diane M; Rodriguez, Joseph M; Smith,

Elizabeth A; Taylor, Angela; elviraforsparks@gmail.com

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Email in Support of Elvira Diaz for District F

Dear WCSD Board of Trustees,

My name is [name], and I am [a resident of Washoe county/a teacher in WCSD/a parent of a WCSD student/a WCSD student].

I am writing to urge you to vote for Elvira Diaz to fill the vacancy in District F. Elvira is a long-time activist in the community and has always supported students, especially Latinx and LGBTQ students. I have known her for [x] years and can attest to her community involvement.

I think she would be an excellent trustee, and I ask for your vote in selecting her as the new trustee for District F.

Signed

Paul Lenart]

From: Kristy Demmin

**Sent:** Friday, November 5, 2021 3:17 PM

**To:** Public Comments

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Adam Mayberry

# Good afternoon,

I am writing this email to talk about my friend Adam Mayberry. I have known Adam since high school..so roughly since 1985. He was our student body president at Western High School in Las Vegas. He has been a wonderful friend for over 30 years. I live in Sparks but don't have children in school here, but I do have a grandson that attends school in Sparks, and I know what a great asset Adam would be to the school board.

Thank you, Kristy Demmin

### To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing this letter on behalf of Adam Mayberry. He is a finalist in your process to replace a school trustee. Adam has served our community well as the Public Informational Officer for the City of Sparks and for Truckee Meadows Fire and represented us on the Reno Tahoe International Airport Board. As our PIO for the City of Sparks, I was a witness to the character of Adam and his ability to work with all local municipalities in an honorable and fair way. He has been around boards, commissions and was our lobbyist for many years on a state level. He is an expert in communication, marketing and well versed in open meeting law. Though all of these qualities and skillsets are worth mentioning the best part that Adam brings with him to his work is his heart to serve, honest communication, willingness to listen and a strategic approach to the matters at hand. I do recommend Adam Mayberry as a positive choice for the future of our Washoe County Schools.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Kristopher Dahir

Sparks City Council Ward 5

**From:** Shirley Diaz

Sent: Sunday, November 7, 2021 8:50 AM

To: Public Comments; Church, Jeffrey; Minetto, Ellen; Nicolet, Diane M; Rodriguez, Joseph M; Smith,

Elizabeth A; Taylor, Angela

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Email in Support of Elvira Diaz for District F

Dear WCSD Board of Trustees,

My name is Shirley Diaz, and I am the sister of a WCSD student.

I am writing to urge you to vote for Elvira Diaz to fill the vacancy in District F. Elvira is very well-known in the community. She is the connection to the local Latinx community the board needs.

I think she would be an excellent trustee, and I ask for your vote in selecting her as the new trustee for District F.

Sincerely,

Shirley

Shirley Diaz, Esq.

Pronouns: she, her, hers

**From:** Joseline C

Sent: Sunday, November 7, 2021 2:22 PM

To: Public Comments; Church, Jeffrey; Minetto, Ellen; Nicolet, Diane M; Rodriguez, Joseph M; Smith,

Elizabeth A; Taylor, Angela

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Email in Support of Elvira Diaz for District F

Dear WCSD Board of Trustees, My name is Joseline, and I am a resident of Nevada. I am writing to urge you to vote for Elvira Diaz to fill the vacancy in District F. Elvira is a long-time activist in the community and has always supported students, especially Latinx and LGBTQ students. I have known her for a good time now and can attest to her community involvement. I think she would be an excellent trustee, and I ask for your vote in selecting her as the new trustee for District F.

Sincerely, Joseline C.

**From:** Thomas-Bybee, Charlene

Sent: Sunday, November 7, 2021 2:45 PM

To: Public Comments; Church, Jeffrey; Minetto, Ellen; Nicolet, Diane M; Rodriguez, Joseph M; Smith,

Elizabeth A; Taylor, Angela; elviraforsparks@gmail.com

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Email in Support of Elvira Diaz for District F

Dear WCSD Board of Trustees,

My name is Charlene Bybee and I am a resident of Washoe County and member of the Capital Funding Protection Committee, Safe & Healthy Schools Commission and Sparks City Council.

I am writing to urge you to vote for Elvira Diaz to fill the vacancy in District F. Elvira is a long-time activist in the community and has always supported students, especially Latinx and LGBTQ students. I have known her for 5 years and can attest to her community involvement. She has been instrumental in helping the City of Sparks holding community conversations on diversity, equity and inclusion . The outcome was the formation of an Equity & Inclusion Advisory Committee which was just announced and is accepting applications. Elvira has been a valuable ambassador to our Hispanic community.

I think she would be an excellent trustee, and I ask for your vote in selecting her as the new trustee for District F.

Sincerely,

Councilwoman Charlene Bybee Sparks Ward 4 /Mayor Pro Tempore From: Stephanie E Mccurry

Sent: Sunday, November 7, 2021 3:49 PM

To: Public Comments; Church, Jeffrey; Minetto, Ellen; Nicolet, Diane M; Rodriguez, Joseph M; Smith,

Elizabeth A; Taylor, Angela

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Email in Support of Elvira Diaz for District F

Dear WCSD Board of Trustees,

Elvira Diaz is and an incredible person whom our children can hold in high regard. She will inspire a new generation of Latinx scholars to become involved in their education and expand their potential. Parents will have an advocate they can identify and easily communicate with. Elvira is an advocate for equity and inclusion of all citizens, here and abroad. Her work ethic is thoughtful, consistent and has changed many lives for the better. She is a friend and valued colleague from who I have also learned. I highly recommend Elvira Diaz for WCSD – District F because.....Representation Matters.

Stephanie McCurry

President, Reno-Sparks NAACP

**From:** Annie Marantette

Sent: Sunday, November 7, 2021 6:19 PM

**To:** Public Comments

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] District F trustee position

I was tasked with looking over the candidates as an assignment in my human development and family sciences class at UNR. After reviewing the candidates, I believe that Elvira Diaz is the most suitable. Diaz would provide insight that the board is currently missing as she is an immigrant and the parent of a transgender child. While the board is full of diversity (which I appreciate), I believe that having someone who understands and advocates for LGBTQIA youth would be beneficial. Everyone can get a degree in HDFS and say that they know what's best for children but there are few who experience the struggles that come from having a child who doesn't necessarily fit in.

From: Betty Hicks

Sent: Sunday, November 7, 2021 7:46 PM

To: Public Comments; Church, Jeffrey; Minetto, Ellen; Nicolet, Diane M; Rodriguez, Joseph M; Smith,

Elizabeth A; Taylor, Angela

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Email in Support of Elvira Diaz for District F

Dear WCSD Board of Trustees,

My name is Betty Hicks, and I have had the privilege to know and work with Elvira for over 15 years. In this time, Elvira has put her heart and soul into the combined communities of Reno/Sparks for the betterment of all. You will NOT find a more dedicated or hard working person.

I am writing to urge you to vote for Elvira Diaz to fill the vacancy in District F. Elvira is a long-time activist in the community and has always supported students, especially Latinx and LGBTQ students.

I think she would be an excellent trustee, and I ask for your vote in selecting her as the new trustee for District F.

Sincerely and thank you,

### **Betty Hicks**

May you experience a blessed and blissful day,
Betty



From: Jose E Chaidez

Sent: Monday, November 8, 2021 4:39 AM

To: Public Comments; Church, Jeffrey; Minetto, Ellen; Nicolet, Diane M; Rodriguez, Joseph M; Smith,

Elizabeth A; Taylor, Angela

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Email in Support of Elvira Diaz for District F

Dear WCSD Board of Trustees,

My name is [Jose e chaidez], and I am [a resident of Washoe county/a teacher in WCSD/a parent of a WCSD student/a WCSD student].

I am writing to urge you to vote for Elvira Diaz to fill the vacancy in District F. Elvira is a long-time activist in the community and has always supported students, especially Latinx and LGBTQ students. I have known her for [x] years and can attest to her community involvement.

I think she would be an excellent trustee, and I ask for your vote in selecting her as the new trustee for District F.

Sincerely,

[Jose e chaidez]

From: KIMI COLE

Sent: Monday, November 8, 2021 7:40 AM

To: Public Comments; Church, Jeffrey; Minetto, Ellen; Nicolet, Diane M; Rodriguez, Joseph M; Smith,

Elizabeth A; Taylor, Angela

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Email in Support of Elvira Diaz for District F

Dear WCSD Board of Trustees,

My name is Kimi Cole, and I am a grandparent of multiple WCSD students.

I am writing to urge you to vote for Elvira Diaz to fill the vacancy in District F. Elvira is a long-time activist in the community and has always supported students, especially Latinx and LGBTQ students. I have known her for 10 years and can attest to her community involvement.

I think she would be an excellent trustee, and I ask for your vote in selecting her as the new trustee for District F.

Sincerely,

Kimi Cole

**From:** Natalie Potter

Sent: Monday, November 8, 2021 7:44 AM

To: Public Comments; Church, Jeffrey; Minetto, Ellen; Nicolet, Diane M; Rodriguez, Joseph M; Smith,

Elizabeth A; Taylor, Angela

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Email in Support of Elvira Diaz for District F

Dear WCSD Board of Trustees,

My name is Natalie McMillen and I am a resident of Washoe county and a step-parent of a WCSD student. I am writing to urge you to vote for Elvira Diaz to fill the vacancy in District F. Elvira is a long-time activist in the community and has always supported students, especially Latino/a and LGBTQ students. I have known her for over 12 years and can attest to her community involvement. We met at SNCAT (Sierra Nevada Community Access Television) where I first saw her passion and determination for others. Over the years I have seen her at many community events working with HOPES and TAG (Transgendered Allied Group). I know she would be an excellent trustee, and I ask for your vote in selecting her as the new trustee for District F.

Sincerely,

Natalie McMillen, LCSW (Licensed Clinical Social Worker) at WellCare Medical and Behavioral Clinic

**From:** Mylan Hawkins

Sent: Monday, November 8, 2021 9:16 AM

To: Public Comments; Church, Jeffrey; Minetto, Ellen; Nicolet, Diane M; Rodriguez, Joseph M; Smith,

Elizabeth A; Taylor, Angela

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Email in Support of Elvira Diaz for District F

Dear WCSD Board of Trustees,

My name is Mylan Hawkins, and I am a resident of Washoe county.

I am writing to urge you to vote for Elvira Diaz to fill the vacancy in District F. Elvira is a long-time activist in the community and has always supported students, especially Latinx and LGBTQ students. I have known her for 10 years and can attest to her community involvement, her work ethic, and her ability to work collaboratively.

I think she would be an excellent trustee, and I ask for your vote in selecting her as the new trustee for District F.

Sincerely,

Mylan Barin Hawkins

From: Manny Becerra

Sent: Sunday, November 7, 2021 3:17 PM

To: Public Comments; Church, Jeffrey; Minetto, Ellen; Nicolet, Diane M; Rodriguez, Joseph M; Smith,

Elizabeth A; Taylor, Angela; elviraforsparks@gmail.com

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Email in Support of Elvira Diaz for District F

Dear WCSD Board of Trustees,

My name is Manny Becerra, and I am a life-long resident of Washoe county, alum of the Washoe county public school district and active community member.

I am writing to <u>urge you to vote for Elvira Diaz to fill the vacancy in District F</u>. Elvira is a long-time activist in the community and has always supported students, especially Latinx and LGBTQ students.

I have known Elvira for 10+ years and can attest to her community involvement. I think she would be an excellent trustee, and I ask for your vote in selecting her as the new trustee for District F. Sincerely.

Thank you for your consideration,

Manny Becerra

From: Jesse Bullock

Sent: Monday, November 8, 2021 1:54 PM

**To:** Public Comments

Cc: Church, Jeffrey; Minetto, Ellen; Rodriguez, Joseph M; Smith, Elizabeth A; Taylor, Angela; Nicolet, Diane

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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Public Comment for Special Meeting on 11/9

Dear Dr. Angela Taylor, president, and members of the WCSD Board of Trustees,

My name is Jesse Bullock and I am a senior at UNR majoring in Human Development and Family Sciences. I have worked with children and families in WCSD as a before and after school program leader and supervisor, specially in Lenz elementary, Hunsberger elementary, with most of my time being spent at Huffaker elementary school. I have seen firsthand the importance of the decisions the board makes, and the importance of having a board member that truly is representative of the families and children's best interests. I am also spending a portion of my time remaining at UNR in efforts to advocate for our children and families in our school district while we are amid a child care crisis, in hopes to work together to find solutions to this crisis, so I hope my opinions are taken into consideration.

I believe we have a great panel of applicants. However, I urge you to consider Elvira Diaz as your final choice for a trustee for district F, as I believe she brings unique and necessary experience to the board. Elvira is an extremely involved community member and has many concrete achievements showing her passion in advocating for those who need it, as well as actively engaging with the community both through organizing events and working side by side with community members. Elvira is a true activist, and her achievements highlighted in her application letter stood out to me as the most significant and applicable to a desired board member that is truly representative of both the demographic and needs of the community in district F. Upon reading other public comments, I also believe that Elvira's support comes from genuine community members that are truly more involved in the school district and community, and would know what our school districts' needs truly are.

Along with Elvira, I do think that Dr. Gwaltney and Jack Heinemann are both strong contenders for the seat, both with differing but relevant experience in our school district. I am personally surprised that Dr. John Gwaltney has not already been appointed to the school board considering his experience in the higher education system and history of advocating for student's best interests publicly, for example his Yes on 1 support in september of last year to reform higher education spending to be more transparent and adaptable to the needs of students. In regards to Jack Heinemann, I believe being as immersed in the school district as he is and as a substitute teacher, his experience should not be taken for granted if it comes down to it. Being a part of the day to day K-12 operations of the WCSD as someone working with children face to face is something to be strongly considered in comparison to the other contenders.

In regards to candidate Adam Mayberry, he does have significant experience in communications and advocacy but I do worry that it is in areas that may not be particularly useful for a board member to have, being that he highlighted his experience in business, flying, and political science. Adam had also highlighted his experience under former Rep. John Porter Sr. to the board, which I think is important to consider. Former Rep. John Porter Sr. has a history of voting less favorably for educational issues, being that he voted against a bill that would've allowed \$84 million in grants towards predominantly black-serving institutions and Hispanic-serving institutions in order to boost college participation rates among those demographics (Bill HR 609 Amendment 772, March of 2006). This representative that Adam highlighted his experience with also had a 17% rating by the National Education Association, which can be interpreted to be anti-public education compared to others. I hope I am not alone in my concern of a potential trustee highlighting their work under a representative like this being questionable upon applying for a seat on a school district board.

I hope whoever is appointed is done so with consideration for their past and current efforts to better serve our schools and community, rolling up their sleeves and doing the hard work, and not just because of who they know.

I thank you all for your time, and wish you the best of luck in choosing the best candidate for our future district F board member.

Sincerely, Jesse Bullock From: Rachel Fisher

**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 5:27 PM **To:** BoardMembers; Public Comments

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] District F-Support for Jack Heinemann

Dear Board of Trustees,

I am an elementary educator within WCSD and also serve as a director at-large on the board of the Washoe Education Association.

I am writing today to give my support for the appointment of Jack Heinemann to fill the vacant board seat for District F. As a recent graduate of the Washoe school system, Mr. Heinemann gives a unique perspective to the board as an individual who understands current issues and how decisions by the board directly affect students. In addition, Jack Heinemann has shown his endeavor to understand the issues that face educators and staff within WCSD. Not only did he fill the role of a long-term substitute, taking on much of the workload of a regular educator, he did so during a school year that came with unprecedented tribulations as our district, schools, and especially educators dealt with teaching during a pandemic. Jack Heinemann truly cares about his community, which he exhibits through his actions and willingness to serve when there is a need--even during the most turbulent of times. Mr. Heinemann through his application process has personally made the point to reach out to the WEA and get feedback from educators through social media channels, showing that he sees how valuable the feedback from those on the front lines is to making thoughtful decisions with positive impacts to our schools. He has made it clear that he will continue this line of communication and truly listens across the spectrum of educators' experiences, showing his ability to engage with different points of view.

With Jack Heinemann bringing to the table a unique understanding for the issues facing both students and educators within our district, and his never ending dedication to our community, district, and schools, I encourage you to vote for Jack Heinemann for the District F Board of Trustees appointment.

Thank you, Rachel Fisher 1st Grade-Lena Juniper WEA At-Large Director From: willrenotahoe

Sent: Monday, November 8, 2021 5:02 PM

**To:** Public Comments

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] 4 day school week

# вот,

It seems there are some common themes that plague our school district. Cost of operations, poor moral among staff, a lack of staff and educators, not enough subs, poor student performance, etc. Have you considered a 4 day school week? A 4 day school week is not a silver bullet but it would address the issues I mentioned. Might also help with recruitment and retention of teachers.

Sent from Mail for Windows

From: Maria Skolnick

Sent: Monday, November 8, 2021 7:38 PM

**To:** Public Comments

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] District F Candidate Selection

Hello Trustees,

Hope you all are doing well. I know you have an important decision to make tomorrow morning. I hope that you will take great consideration in selecting a candidate who has the best interest of the students, families, teachers and community at heart. There were a few noteworthy candidates in the selection process but you have whittled it down to four to vote on tomorrow. I have concerns with two of the finalists. Jack Heinemann seems too green for this role. There are many pressing issues and decisions to be made in WCSD and we would like to see someone with more experience in handling situations that will need those who have many years of experience in education. Elvira Diaz draws a red flag as well as someone who may be divisive and political. She is a self admitted long time activist. We do not need activists sitting on the board. We need sound decision makers who are willing to listen to all voices. It is quite clear where she stands politically as she is vocal about it on her social media posts. We need our Trustees to be nonpartisan when deciding over the fate of our children and teachers.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Maria Skolnick

From:

Sent: Monday, November 8, 2021 8:30 PM

**To:** Public Comments

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support for Trustee Position

# To whom it may concern,

Providing support for Mr. Adam Mayberry, and for you to wholeheartedly consider him as a great choice for the open Trustee position at WCSD. My name is José Montesinos, an alumnus from Reno high school (Go Huskies!), and working with the community I began my career in the hotel industry at the Silver Legacy Hotel in our Biggest Little City in the World. Within this journey, the biggest influence and most valuable asset I had was the many mentors I had to guide me in my journey, and Mr. Adam Mayberry was one of my most integral mentors. He was my Junior Achievement instructor, and through the program I learned the invaluable importance of building rapport, carrying oneself professionally, and the significance of pursuing further education and growth. From transitioning as a student facing language and economical challenges, to overcoming and becoming a professional in both the hotel industry and as an educator, he played an integral role in making a difference, not only for me, but many students whom he mentored. This has in turn changed my life, and provided the great need to value mentorship and support that I truly believe Mr. Mayberry will provide as a Trustee. Please consider the difference he made as a mentor, teacher, and friend as an integral asset. He would do the same for the community and the district.

From: Dinah Maher

Sent: Monday, November 8, 2021 9:28 PM

**To:** Public Comments

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Trustee appointment

Jack Heinemann quite vocally advocates for change and no one asks him what kind of change he intends. He himself never clarifies what that change means or what it entails and his intentions are certainly never defined by his t-shirts. Elvira Diaz is a paid activist in her own words and is funded by the Progressive Leadership Alliance of Nevada which is based out of Las Vegas with funding resources even more obtuse and nefarious than any contemporary researcher would dare to reveal. She has without a doubt never produced a product or led anything in a productive way if one considers producing something as being a notable benefit to society. Being a paid activist should alert any person of reasonable intellect to her abilities and to her general interest for public education and activism. Adam Mayberry is a novice with unknown abilities and unstated intentions although admittedly there are no notable known demerits to his candidacy. John Gwaltney is a proven voice in education and may be the safest choice as a place holder before the next general election for a trustee who will truly represent the people. The role of this board as controversy follows controversy must be to FIRST DO NO HARM.

From: Knox, Christianna

Sent: Monday, November 8, 2021 9:57 PM

**To:** Public Comments

**Subject:** Open Trustee position at-large District F

#### Good Evening-

I wanted to reach out to you today to give a whole-hearted recommendation for Adam Mayberry to become our next at-large District F Trustee.

As an employee of WCSD with three children attending WCSD schools, I would highly recommend Mr. Mayberry for this position. I have had the privilege of knowing Adam for the past 10 years. He is articulate and intelligent, and a reasonable person who listens before he speaks. I believe that these attributes are important to look for in a Trustee.

Personally, I have seen Adam demonstrate a real interest in my children's opinions and experiences about school. He cares about his community's well-being. As our Trustee, he would bring that to the position. He also has two children of his own in the school district and he understands the importance of being a Trustee. As an employee of WCSD, I have had many conversations about the positive aspects of school and things that might be improved upon. Mr. Mayberry listens with openness and frank and honest discussions occur. His ability to navigate a myriad of topics leads me to believe that he would be very open to all sides in a discussion, and work toward the best outcomes for the students.

Adam Mayberry is the perfect candidate for this position. Please feel free to reach out if you have any further questions.

Thank you for your time-Chris Knox From: Christine McAvoy

Sent: Tuesday, November 9, 2021 1:20 AM

**To:** Public Comments

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Support for Dr. John Gwaltney

We are thankful to the many people who have served the community and have the drive, desire, and interest to sit on the WCSD Board of Trustees. However, the only applicant with actual experience to help our district become laser focused and successful in offering an exemplary education to each and every WCSD student is Dr. Gwaltney. His resume in the field of education is second to none and would show all stakeholders that the Board's primary focus is education, not activism. We need experience to counterbalance this Board's many new Trustees. We need Dr. Gwaltney, a proven leader and collaborator, who knows how to help the Board steer an educational ship through what has been very rough waters.

Thank you,

Christine McAvoy

From: Elvira Diaz

**Sent:** Tuesday, November 9, 2021 7:16 AM

To: Public Comments; Church, Jeffrey; Minetto, Ellen; Nicolet, Diane M; Rodriguez, Joseph

M; Smith, Elizabeth A; Taylor, Angela

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Additional Endorsements for Elvira Diaz for WCSD District F

Attachments: 1. Signatures in Support of Elvira Diaz.pdf; 2. Social Media Endorsements.pdf; 3. Bob

Fulkerson Endorsement.pdf

Dear Washoe County School District Trustees,

I am attaching additional endorsements for your consideration:

- 1. A list of signatures from 108 community members who support me for WCSD Trustee.
- 2. Thirty-five Social Media endorsements.
- 3. A letter of endorsement from Bob Fulkerson.

All the best,

Elvira

Elvira Diaz Candidate for WCSD, District F

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# ELVIRA DIAZ

FOR WCSD TRUSTEE DISTRICT F

## **ENDORSED BY:**



### **AARON SIMS**

Activist, consultant, accountant and Candidate for Congress NV2



"Elvira is one of the hardest working activists I have known, dedicating years to the betterment of people. Her integrity and honesty speaks volumes and is exactly what the WCSD needs at this time. She has my full support!"

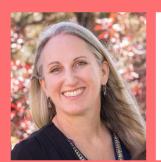


## SHIRLEY DIAZ

Lawyer, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP supports



"I ENDORSE ELVIRA DÍAZ FOR WCSD TRUSTEE BECAUSE SHE IS
PASSIONATE ABOUT PROTECTING MARGINALIZED CHILDREN AND IS AN
ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY. WE NEED SOMEONE LIKE ELVIRA
ON THE SCHOOL BOARD!"



#### JENNIFER CULLISON, PHD

Postdoctoral Fellow, Core Humanities, UNR Director, Realities of Undocumented Immigrants Oral History Project, UNR



"I fully endorse Elvira Díaz for District F WCSD Trustee. As a mother and community activist who has inspired many young and old alike, she understands the various challenges as well as the immense value of a college degree. She wants to help all of Nevada's K-12 students have a viable and successful path toward higher education. The WCSD needs more people like her to ensure that our kids develop the best critical thinking and intellectual skills for our modern world."



## **LIN SORIANO**

Elementary School Principal & Lawyer

supports



"AS AN EDUCATOR, I AM PROUD TO SUPPORT ELVIRA DIAZ FOR WCSD TRUSTEE. SHE IS FAIR, REPRESENTS THE INTERESTS OF ALL STUDENTS, AND WILL WORK HARD TO IMPROVE AND PROTECT THE INTEGRITY OF PUBLIC EDUCATION."



## **TINA DAVIS**

Washoe Democratic Party Candidate Resources Chair, Community Activist



"Elvira Diaz demonstrates integrity, character, and passion in her community activism, and will be a valuable voice on the WCSD. I strongly support Elvira as a candidate for WCSD Trustee!"



### **SHARON COURTNEY**

SGC Visual Artist

supports



"I ENDORSE ELVIRA DIAZ FOR HER STRONG

DEDICATION AND CONSISTENCY IN HELPING OUR

COMMUNITY BY ADVOCATING, GUIDING, AND

GETTING THINGS DONE!"



## **ROBIN FRANKLIN**

SEIU Local 1107 Steward, Clark County Child Protective Services Supervisor, Emerge Alumnae



"I SUPPORT ELVIRA DIAZ IN HER BID FOR WASHOE COUNTY BOARD OF TRUSTEES,

BECAUSE SHE HAS BEEN COMMITTED FOR OVER A DECADE TO ENSURE THE PEOPLE OF

NEVADA ARE INFORMED, EMPOWERED AND SUPPORTED IN VOTING RIGHTS FOR ALL,

LGBTQ ISSUES, AND AFFORDABLE AND EQUAL RIGHTS FOR HOUSING. SHE CARES ABOUT

THE PEOPLE AND CHILDREN OF WASHOE COUNTY AND SHE WOULD BE A WELCOME

ADDITION TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES. ELECT ELVIRA DIAZ!!!"



#### MAIRA PONTANILLO SANCHEZ

Homemaker

supports



"I AM THE MOTHER OF TWO CHILDREN WHO ATTEND WCSD SCHOOLS. ELVIRA DIAZ IS A GREAT WOMAN, SHE HELPS THE COMMUNITY A LOT, AND WOULD BE A GREAT PERSON FOR THE POSITION. BASED ON THE WAY SHE HELPS OTHERS."



### CHRISTIAN ARROYO-VIDALES

Junior, Sparks High School supports



"I SUPPORT ELVIRA DÍAZ FOR SCHOOL BOARD BECAUSE SHE FIGHTS FOR LGBTQ STUDENT'S RIGHTS. SHE HAS SUPPORTED ME MY WHOLE LIFE AS A TRANS CHILD, AND I KNOW SHE WILL MAKE SURE STUDENTS FEEL SAFE AND INCLUDED AT SCHOOL."



## **EMY QUEVEDO**

Compliance Investigator, State of Nevada

supports



"I FULLY ENDORSE ELVIRA DIAZ FOR WCSD TRUSTEE BECAUSE SHE REALLY CARES ABOUT KIDS AND THEIR FAMILIES. SHE'S FACED PERSONAL CHALLENGES FOR HER OWN FAMILY AND WILL DO THE SAME FOR ALL FAMILIES IN WASHOE COUNTY. THEIR FIGHT IS HER FIGHT, WE NEED HER VOICE ON THAT BOARD."

## ELVIRA DIAZ



#### Patricia Gallimore

1st Vice President Reno/Sparks NAACP & Community Advocate



"I AM PROUD TO ENDORSE MY FRIEND AND FELLOW COMMUNITY

ADVOCATE ELVIRA DIAZ, SHE IS PASSIONATE, HARD WORKING,

DEDICATED AND CARING. ELVIRA WORKS HARD IN THIS

COMMUNITY TO MAKE IT BETTER FOR ALL. ELVIRA DIAZ WOULD BE A

ASSET TO THE WCSD."



#### MARTIN RODRIGUEZ

Cashier, SSP-America Reno-Tahoe Airport

supports



"I GIVE MY SUPPORT TO ELVIRA DIAZ FOR SCHOOL BOARD BECAUSE SHE IS AN ADVOCATE FOR THE LATINO COMMUNITY IN NORTHERN NEVADA. WE CARE ABOUT THE EDUCATION OF OUR STUDENTS, AND WE NEED AN ADVOCATE LIKE ELVIRA TO ENSURE OUR STUDENTS ARE TAKEN CARE OF."



#### **ASHLEIGH FAULSTICH**

PA Student, UNR

supports



"I WHOLEHEARTEDLY ENDORSE ELVIRA DIAZ FOR WCSD TRUSTEE.

SHE BRINGS A WEALTH OF EXPERIENCE SERVING HER COMMUNITY

AND IS COMMITTED TO ENSURING THAT SCHOOLS PROVIDE SAFE
ENVIRONMENTS FOR LEARNING AND GROWTH FOR ALL STUDENTS."



## **NAYARA ABEL**

Mother of UNR student and Activist

supports



"Elvira is a strong and compassionate woman, always willing to serve the community. Being a fervent activist for the latino and LGBTQ communities makes her an authentic and genuine representative for District F!"



## **Luis Latino**

Influencer, Professional Videographer

supports



"THE HISPANIC POPULATION OF WASHOE COUNTY HAS HAD A GROWTH IN THE LAST DECADE, BUT NOT SO THE REPRESENTATION. WITHOUT A DOUBT I BELIEVE THAT ELVIRA DIAZ COULD BE THE INCLUSIVE COMPLEMENT IN OUR COUNTY."



#### **BRIDGET SPEER LORING**

Educator, city of Reno NAB member, ward one and community volunteer



"As an educator and community volunteer, I support Elvira Diaz for Washoe School Board Trustee. She's an incredible and tireless advocate for all. She will provide a great voice for our students."

## ELVIRA DIAZ



#### Maura Montelongo

Grandmother of WCSD Children

supports



ABSOLUTELY SUPPORT ELVIRA DÍAZ FOR THE SCHOOL BOARD. SHE IS INVOLVED, CARING, COMPASSIONATE, AND A STRONG LEADER. I KNOW SHE WILL BRING ALL OF HER SKILLS TO THE POST AND DO A GOOD JOB."



#### MEGHAN ARCHAMBAULT

Founder, Reno/Sparks Mutual Aid

supports



"As a mom, community advocate, and Reno resident, I am proud to endorse Elvira Diaz for trustee. She has long been a fierce advocate on behalf of underrepresented communities in Northern Nevada. Elvira is compassionate, intelligent, and brings a wealth of diverse experience to the table along with the will to represent the best interests of our kids. WCSD needs trustees with fresh perspectives, creative problem-solving,

AND CRITICAL-THINKING SKILLS, AND ELVIRA IS PERFECT FOR THE JOB."



## **EDDY RAMOS**

Father of WCSD Students

supports



"ELVIRA IS THE MOST QUALIFIED PERSON TO FILL THE DISTRICT F VACANCY. SHE IS AN ADVOCATE FOR IMMIGRANTS, CHILDREN, AND IS A PUBLIC SERVANT. I AM HAPPY TO SUPPORT HER FOR TRUSTEE."



## **EDEN GUTIERREZ**

WCSD High School Teacher

supports



"ELVIRA IS INVOLVED IN THE COMMUNITY AT HER LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL. HER SON IS A STUDENT AND FOOTBALL PLAYER AT THE SCHOOL WHICH I TEACH. ELVIRA IS AN ADVOCATE FOR STUDENTS OF DIFFERENT BACKGROUNDS."



## LIZ SOLIS HEREDIA

Marketing Specialist, Reno Media Group supports



"I SUPPORT ELVIRA DÍAZ BECAUSE OF HER INTEGRITY AND RESPONSIBILITY. I HAVE KNOWN HER FOR 16 YEARS IN MANY FACETS.

AS A MOTHER, DAUGHTER, SISTER, SHE IS COMPASSIONATE AND CARES FOR OTHERS AND THEIR WELL-BEING."



## **IVET CONTRERAS**

CEO of Intercultural Media Strategy

supports



"ELVIRA DIAZ HAS SELFLESSLY DEDICATED HER LIFE TO ADVOCATE FOR THE COMMUNITY, SPECIFICALLY THE UNDERREPRESENTED COMMUNITY. I HAVE NO DOUBT THAT SHE WILL BE A CHAMPION FOR OUR CHILDREN AND WILL BRING TO THE TABLE A MUCH NEEDED PERSPECTIVE TO HELP OUR FUTURE GENERATIONS SUCCEED. I'M PROUD TO ENDORSE ELVIRA DIAZ FOR THE WASHOE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD."

## ELVIRA DIAZ



### ISIS CITLALI RUBIO RAMÍREZ

Mother of two WCSD students

supports



"ELVIRA DIAZ IS A LEADER IN THE LATINO COMMUNITY. SHE
IS VERY INVOLVED IN HELPING THE COMMUNITY GET
CONNECTED TO RESOURCES. I KNOW SHE CARES ABOUT OUR
STUDENTS, AND I SUPPORT HER FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT."



### GALDINA ESPINOZA

Mother of Three WCSD Students

supports



"I SUPPORT ELVIRA FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT BECAUSE SHE HAS SHOWN HER DEDICATION TO THE COMMUNITY. SHE ALWAYS HELPS ME IN ANYTHING I NEED FOR MY CHILDREN AND IS ONE OF OUR COMMUNITY RESOURCES. I BECAME INVOLVED IN MY FIRST CAMPAIGN AS A VOLUNTEER FOR HER BID FOR SPARKS CITY COUNCIL. I SAW HOW DEEPLY SHE CARED, AND I KNOW SHE WILL BE A GOOD MEMBER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD."



## Elisa Velázquez

**Grandmother of WCSD Students** 

supports



"I SUPPORT ELVIRA DÍAZ FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT BECAUSE OF HER PASSION FOR SERVING THE COMMUNITY. SHE IS AN ADVOCATE, ORGANIZER, LEADER, AND ROLE MODEL. WE WOULD BE LUCKY TO HAVE HER ON THE SCHOOL

BOARD!"



## FRED LOVE

Artist, decorator, painter

supports



"I AM HAPPY TO ENDORSE ELVIRA FOR THE SCHOOL BOARD. I AM AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE LGBTQ COMMUNITY, AND ELVIRA HAS BEEN A GOOD FRIEND AND SUPPORTER OF ME FOR MANY YEARS.

SHE WILL ADVOCATE FOR CHILDREN AND IS OUR BEST ALLY."



## **ELIZABETH VEGA**

TMCC Student, Educator, Homemaker

supports



"ELVIRA DÍAZ IS A WOMAN WITH INTEGRITY, LOVE FOR THE COMMUNITY, AND IS ALWAYS WILLING TO FIGHT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS. AS A MOTHER, SHE KNOWS THE ACADEMIC NEEDS OF PARENTS, AND SHE WOULD BE AN EXCELLENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT."



## **ESTELA CORTEZ**

Foster Parent

supports



"I ENDORSE ELVIRA BECAUSE SHE HELPED ME THROUGH A DIFFICULT TIME IN MY LIFE. I KNOW SHE WILL LISTEN TO THE CONCERNS OF PARENTS, TEACHERS, AND STAFF TO COME TO THE BEST SOLUTION."

## ELVIRA DIAZ



#### AUTUMN ELIZABETH ZEMKE

Organizer



"ELVIRA IS ONE OF THE MOST COMPASSIONATE AND DEDICATED DEFENDERS OF OUR COMMUNITIES. SHE WOULD BE AN ASSET TO THE WCSD AND A CHAMPION FOR ALL OF OUR CHILDREN'S EDUCATIONAL NEEDS."



## Angelica Pérez

Mother and Grandmother of WCSD Students

supports



"ELVIRA IS A PERSON WHO GETS THINGS DONE! SHE
IS FOCUSED ON SERVING THE COMMUNITY AND IS
ALWAYS AVAILABLE AND ACCESSIBLE TO US. I KNOW
SHE WILL DO A GOOD JOB ON THE SCHOOL BOARD."



#### **ARELI SANCHEZ MORALES**

Homemaker, Volunteer

supports



"I SUPPORT ELVIRA FOR THE SCHOOL BOARD BECAUSE SHE IS

PASSIONATE. SHE IS DEDICATED TO SERVING HER

COMMUNITY AND TO GIVING BACK TO OTHERS. I KNOW SHE

WILL GIVE HER ALL TO THE BOARD AND WILL WORK FOR

STUDENTS AND TEACHERS."



#### **SHARON BROWN**

Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioner

supports



"Over the past several years, I've come to know and respect Elvira for her passion, commitment to justice, and for equitability for all, especially our most treasured resource - our children. She is compassionate and is deeply committed to doing the right thing. I support Elvira Diaz for Trustee of the WCSD for all these reasons, and more."



#### Annamaria and Mario Delarosa

**Community Organizers** 

support



'SHE HAS BEEN INVOLVED DURING THE LAST 15 YEARS ON DIFFERENT ISSUES RELATED TO OUR COMMUNITY, SUCH AS EDUCATION, IMMIGRATION, LGTBQIA+, CIVIC ENGAGEMENT, VOTER REGISTRATION AND OTHERS. SHE HAS EXPERIENCE AND KNOWLEDGE; SHE HAS SHOWN PASSION ABOUT THESE ISSUES, MANY TIMES AS A VOLUNTEER. THAT IS WHY WE THINK SHE WILL BE A GREAT TRUSTEE WITH THE WASHOE COUNTY BOARD OF TRUSTEES. WE SUPPORT HER."



#### STEPHANIE McCurry

President, Reno-Sparks NAACP

supports



ELVIRA DIAZ IS AN INCREDIBLE PERSON WHOM OUR CHILDREN CAN HOLD IN HIGH REGARD. SHE WILL INSPIRE A NEW GENERATION OF LATINX SCHOLARS TO BECOME INVOLVED IN THEIR EDUCATION AND EXPAND THEIR POTENTIAL. PARENTS WILL HAVE AN ADVOCATE THEY CAN IDENTIFY WITH. I ENDORSE ELVIRA DIAZ FOR WCSD TRUSTEE BECAUSE REPRESENTATION MATTERS."

## ELVIRA DIAZ



### **JACKIE CHIAKULAS**

Digital Communications Manager

supports



"I'VE HAD THE HONOR OF WORKING ALONGSIDE ELVIRA IN THE COMMUNITY AND HAVE GOTTEN TO SEE HOW SHE POURS HER HEART AND SOUL INTO THE PEOPLE AROUND HER. NEVADA IS A BETTER PLACE BECAUSE OF THE CARE AND SUPPORT ELVIRA SHOWS AND HOW SHE IS WELCOMING AND INSPIRES OTHERS EVERY DAY. I ENTHUSIASTICALLY SUPPORT ELVIRA DIAZ FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT!"

## ELVIRA DIAZ



#### Elvira Diaz <elvirajusticia@gmail.com>

#### endorsement

Bob Fulkerson <nevadabobf@gmail.com>

Mon, Oct 25, 2021 at 3:36 PM

To: Elvira Diaz <elvirajusticia@gmail.com>

I hope this is ok!

"I am a proud product of the Washoe County School District and am honored to recommend Elvia Diaz for appointment to the vacant seat on the Washoe County School Board of Trustees. Elvira has been as tireless advocate for families, children and workers throughout northern Nevada for more than a decade. She has volunteered thousands of hours for our community and has raised thousands of dollars to help those struggling to get by through her charity work. Elvira knows first-hand the challenges of working mothers who struggle to make ends meet, and also has a transgender son in the school district. All of these rich experiences make Elvira supremely qualified to represent families on the school board. Please support her. Thank you.

Bob Fulkerson (775) 843-2218

Twitter: @BobFulkerson

I live and work on the traditional lands of the Washoe, Northern Paiute, and Western Shoshone People, and honor with gratitude the land, water, and those who have protected it for generations.

1 of 1 11/9/2021, 9:39 AM

From: Abbi Whitaker

**Sent:** Tuesday, November 9, 2021 8:08 AM **To:** Public Comments; BoardMembers

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] In Support of Adam Mayberry

Dear Washoe County School Board Members,

Let me start out by saying thank you from the bottom of my heart. Your dedication to the students of Washoe County does not go unnoticed and your unwavering support of our most vulnerable is deeply appreciated.

I am reaching out today because I would like to offer my support for Adam Mayberry. I have known Adam for decades through our mutual work in the communications, public policy and community outreach fields. Not only is he one of the smartest people I know but he is able to handle delicate, uncomfortable and complex situations and disagreements with a level of professionalism, courtesy and problem solving that is second to none. The school board is one of the hardest jobs in our county and we need people that have experience dealing with complex issues. We need problem solvers. We need community advocates with years of experience and a deep understanding of the nuances of our community. I respectfully encourage you to consider Adam - a parent, a community leader and a problem solver.

Thank you, Abbi Whitaker



Abbi Whitaker President

The Abbi Agency 1385 Haskell Street Reno, NV 89509 From:

Sent: Sunday, November 7, 2021 6:50 PM

**To:** Public Comments; Church, Jeffrey; Minetto, Ellen; Nicolet, Diane M; Rodriguez, Joseph

M; Smith, Elizabeth A; Taylor, Angela; elviraforsparks@gmail.com

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Email in Support of Elvira Diaz for District F

Dear WCSD Board of Trustees,

My name is [Jose E chaidez], and I am [a resident of Washoe county/a teacher in WCSD/a parent of a WCSD student/a WCSD student].

I am writing to urge you to vote for Elvira Diaz to fill the vacancy in District F. Elvira is a long-time activist in the community and has always supported students, especially Latinx and LGBTQ students. I have known her for [x] years and can attest to her community involvement.

I think she would be an excellent trustee, and I ask for your vote in selecting her as the new trustee for District F.

Sincerely,

[your name]

Sent from my T-Mobile 5G Device