

# Washoe County School District School Naming Committee Meeting Minutes

February 2, 2022

## 1. Opening Items

#### 1.01 Call to Order

The meeting of the School Naming Committee was called to order at 5:31 p.m. in the WCSD Central Administration Building, 425 E. Ninth Street, Board Room, Reno, Nevada.

#### 1.02 Roll Call

Committee Members Victor Sherbondy, Lisa Loader, Coleen Cooke, Jeromy Ivie, Edwin Lyngar, Scott Benton, and Ashley Van Brocklin were present at roll call. Bonnie Gaskin, Frank Perez and Christiana Frank were absent at roll call. Staff Liaison Samantha Fredrickson and General Counsel Neil Rombardo were also present. Committee member Frank Perez arrived late at 5:36pm.

## 2. Items for Discussion, Presentation and/or Action

# 2.01 Possible Action to Approve the minutes of the January 5, 2022 School Naming Committee meeting

Motion by Jeromy Ivie to approve the January meeting minutes, second by Ashley Van Brocklin. Motion carried unanimously.

2.02 Discussion and Possible Action to create a list of names that will be considered by the School Naming Committee as automatic semi-finalists for future schools from the unused finalists for previous schools: Arrowcreek, Ann Carlson, Sessions S. "Buck" Wheeler, Michael Landsberry, Sun Valley, Dolores Feemster, and White Lake

Staff liaison Samantha Fredrickson asked the committee to determine which previous semi-finalist names they would like to keep on the semi-finalist list. Committee members discussed.

Motion by Edwin Lyngar to remove Arrowcreek, Sun Valley and White Lake from the list. Second by Victor Sherbondy. Motion carried unanimously.

#### 2.02 Public Comment

Bill Henderson gave public comment in favor of Sessions S. "Buck" Wheeler

2.03 Discussion and Possible Action on community name submissions for the new elementary school in southeast Reno (see Attachment A to the Agenda for a list of those names), the committee members' individual ranking of those submissions, and the creation of a semi-finalist list of no more than 10 names based on the individual rankings of the committee members to be considered at a future meeting for recommendation to the Board of Trustees

Committee Liaison Samantha Fredrickson provided information to the committee about the initial survey, the targeted outreach, survey responses and the naming suggestions provided through the process.

Ms. Fredrickson explained the ranking process and reiterated the governing policies as it pertained to naming schools.

Committee members each individually gave their suggestions for semi-finalist names, and discussed their choices. Committee members then gave their individual score totals (from scores in each of the individual categories) for each of these top names. Ms. Fredrickson totaled those complete committee scores.

Motion by Scott Benton, second by Ashley Van Brocklin to create a semifinalist list for the name of the new elementary school in southeast Reno consisting of the following names: Jwood Raw, A Lynel Cunningham, Harry Reid, Perry DiLoretto, Jim Luttges, Damonte Ranch, Desert Diamond, Steamboat, Rio Wrangler and South Meadows. Motion carried unanimously.

#### 2.03 Public Comment

The following individuals gave public comment, all in favor of Jwood Raw: Hank Vanderbeek, Jon Raw, Patricia Hernandez, Bonnie Gallagher, Gary Luchetti, and Deanna Raw

Scott Cunningham gave public comment in favor of A. Lynel Cunningham

## 3. Closing Items

#### 3.01 Public Comment

There was no public comment given.

**3.02 Announcement of Next Meeting:** March 2, 2022 at the WCSD Administration Building, 425 East 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Board Room, Reno Nevada.

# 3.03 Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business, Lisa Loader adjourned the meeting at 6:46 p.m.