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Good Afternoon,

I am surprised to be writing to you again out of concern regarding the lack of validity, tolerance and ethics of individuals on the Board of Education. My first email was on November 23rd called Democracy in Action in which I received no response from the Board.

Much to my shock, parents in my children's schools are talking about Wayne Broughton's Twitter posts. Trustee Wayne appears to have a great deal of hate and disregard for parents, families and staff in the school district who may have an opinion other than his own which is evident by these statements:

1. September 9: If you vote conservative now, you are voting to harm kids. Period.
2. September 9: Conservatives are playing with kids' lives in order to gain votes.
3. September 16: It really is quite remarkable how many people have the kind of relationships with their children in which they need a policy or law to codify a right that would compel teachers to reveal their kids' gender identity to them. Like, do they not talk to their kids? Are they not involved in their kids' education? Do they not foster an environment in which their kids feel safe to be who they are?
4. Facebook: Do not tell someone you love them, and then vote for someone who will hurt them.

Firstly, since when does being elected a school trustee allow you to: a) tell parents and staff how to vote; b) judge them as harming children; c) shame parents and staff for voting for what is important to them, not you? I guarantee you that the majority of people that voted for you would not approve of this.

Secondly, Trustee Wayne believes that only people that agree with his opinion care about kids. I am not going to debate the Transgender Topic because it is irrelevant to my point which is out of 25,000 students and their families, there may be at least half that have an opinion other than his own. Trustee Wayne, as an elected official, should be more tolerant and respectful of the diversity and differing opinions in this school district. If he cannot be tolerant, he should resign.

Thirdly, the comment he posted on September 16th comes across as mocking the parents he disagrees with. It is clear that the author has never had children. Pre-teens and Teenagers are more often than not pushing their parents away to develop their independence and identity. The majority of parents want more involvement and to be included because they love their kids like no other. As a parent you can have the most loving, caring environment but kids going through their teen years and hormonal changes can still push away their parents. Outside adults should not be further dividing kids from their families. Regardless of a difference of opinion, Trustee Wayne should not be mocking or taunting families that are having issues. It is extremely hurtful and harmful to both the child and their families.

Fourth; this last post by Trustee Wayne makes him sound like an elitist. This rhetoric pits children against their families and it is shameful that he thinks it is okay to do this as an elected trustee who is suppose to be working on behalf of ALL families....even the ones that vote conservative.

It is worth noting that that the general tone of all of Trustee Waynes tweets would create fear and anxiety, especially in the students that follow him. One parent said her son is part of the lgbtq+ community and follows Trustee Wayne. Her son told her that he is fearful of Conservatives and CIS gendered white males and he got the idea from Trustee Wayne.

Finally, it appears that Trustee Wayne tweets about Trans issues the majority of the time. By all appearances he is an Activist. We had a Sikh student attacked on the buss last week and he never cared enough to mention that. Where is the outrage on issues that actually have anything to do with the school district? In my decades in this school district, I have never known a school trustee that only cares about one issue and question if he is a school trustee for all the right reasons. If he is not, he should reconsider continuing on as a school trustee.

Given all of the above, it begs the question: does the Board of Education endorse Trustee Wayne and his public posts on his official School Trustee accounts? There seems to be confusion in the school district if these are the stances of all trustees?

Since Trustee Wayne made all of his posts public, there should be no problem with me to question his public statements as a publicly elected official.

Sincerely,
L. Taylor
Concerned parent and voting citizen