

Dear Mr. Stutzman,

The complaint alleges that campaign signs posted by Annette Rose next to those of Michael Connors are not factual. The complaint cites meeting minutes and other data to claim that the wording on the signs is a false statement of material facts. A response from Annette Rose (attached) also cites meeting minutes and other data to provide an alternative view of the facts, and contend that the wording on the signs is accurate. The PDC will need to do an independent evaluation of the evidence provided. Please let me know the outcome of your evaluation. Thank you.

Jerry Martin

We Want Accountability PAC

Re: PDC Case Number 143584

Dear Mr. Stutzman:

The 3 signs that have been put up next to Michael Connors signs are up for the following reasons.

**“Has voted with liberals 100%”:** Ron Mabry is a known liberal school board member for Kennewick School district. Michael Connors has voted with Ron Mabry on every single school policy that has been introduced in the past 2 years. Some examples are; 2/09/22, 6/22/22, 12/14/22, 2/8/23, two separate votes. (see attached meeting minutes). The one instance mentioned in the complaint about the weighted vote from 4/12/23, is not applicable because, one, it wasn't a school board policy, second, Ron Mabry abstained from the vote, and third, in the previous board meeting Ron had alluded to the fact that he supported this, meaning Michael would still have voted with Ron Mabry. When it came time to vote Mr. Mabry abstained from voting, making it a moot point regardless. Thus, Michael Connors did not vote against Ron Mabry. Connors has not voted AGAINST Ron Mabry then, or ever in the last 2 years, making the statement, “has voted with liberals 100%”, in fact true.

**“Supports CRT in our Schools”:** The claim that because Michael Connors supported the policy 2340, “Instruction: Race and Curriculum” on 8/29/22, he does not support CRT, is false. No where in this policy is “Critical Race Theory” mentioned. Specifically, because Michael Connors did not want those words included in the policy. That policy is not about critical race theory. The reason this sign IS accurate, is because on 6/22/22, when the book “Anti Racist Baby”, written by Ibram X. Kendi, who is the founder of critical race theory, was brought before the board to have removed from our school libraries, Michael voted to keep the book in our school libraries. Obviously, the book having been written by the founder of Critical Race Theory, is full of CRT ideology, therefore, making “supports CRT in our schools”, a TRUE statement. (See attached KSD Policy 2340, Instruction: Race and Curriculum)

**“Kept kids in masks”:** Michael Connors did nothing to get our kids out of masks during covid. Schools and school boards all over the country were voting and releasing mask

mandates. In Washington, on 2/7/22, a resolution was sent to our Governor, requesting him to lift the mask mandates from our schools. That resolution was signed by over 150 school board directors. Michael Connors did not sign the resolution. Parents were begging the school board by email and in board meetings to do something to at least TRY to get the mask mandates lifted. Michael Connors did NOTHING during this time to push back against the mask mandates, therefore, "keeping our kids in masks". (See attached resolution signed by hundreds of school board members).

Somewhere in the complaint, a "voted to keep kids in masks" sign was mentioned. This was not a sign that was made or put up by us. We were very careful in the words that were chosen for the signs to put out by Michael Connors signs. The words that were chosen are in fact true statements, and nothing in the complaint proves otherwise.

The list of names they mentioned that have donated to the PAC had nothing to do with these signs. There was a period of a couple weeks in which funds were raised and donated to We Want Accountability PAC, specifically for these signs to be made. Any contribution before Aug 1, 2023, had nothing to do with these signs. The complaint is just trying to slander others who have ever contributed to this PAC.

Annette Rose