

Election : 01/18/2022 - Newberg School District Recall

Newberg School District 29J

Measure No: 36-207

Caption: Recall of Brian Shannon from the office of Newberg School District Director

Question: Do you vote to recall Brian Shannon from the office of Newberg School District Director?

Reason for Demanding the Recall: The citizens of Newberg and Dundee deserve a School Board whose priority is working together with its community to provide all students with a world-class education. Newberg School Board Director and Vice-Chair, Brian Shannon, has instead brought drama and division to our community. Shannon, calling himself "the main driver" of the controversial motion that put the Newberg School Board in the national spotlight, ignored the advice of the Superintendent of Newberg Schools and, in doing so, exposed the District to costly lawsuits from the ACLU and others. Shannon then subjected himself and three other Board members to ethics complaints alleging that both state Public Meeting laws, and the School Board's own ethics policies, have been violated. When the hometown paper runs the headline "School Board Defies State Law In Hiring Outside Counsel" and the Directors of the local Chamber of Commerce declare in a written statement, "this is not a proud moment for our community" it's time to make a change. Brian Shannon has overreached, driving his ideological agenda in a manner that is both ethically, and legally, questionable. He does not represent the majority of us. Brian Shannon must be recalled.

Justification of Course in Office: The far-Left is pursuing this recall effort because I have opposed their agenda of converting our taxpayer-funded schools into indoctrination centers for their divisive identity politics. The same folks pushing the recall have filed baseless lawsuits and ethics complaints, in an effort to justify a recall. None of these have been found to have any merit whatsoever.

This recall campaign was built on lies and outside money, all in an effort to overturn an election result they do not like. They have misrepresented a Board-approved policy which simply ensures that teachers cannot abuse their position of trust to push their own political views on students while performing their official duties. The policy does not restrict students' or off-duty teachers' speech in any way. Most in our community support this approach, which is why the recall proponents neglect to mention the specifics of the policy in their statement.

I believe:

- Political indoctrination has no place in our schools.
- We need to unite our students, not divide them.
- We need to refocus on the basics of educating children in reading, writing, math, and science.

Education, not indoctrination!

Please vote NO on the recall.

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Caption: Recall of Dave Brown from the office of Newberg School District Director

Question: Do you vote to recall Dave Brown from the office of Newberg School District Director?

Reason for Demanding the Recall: The people of Newberg and Dundee voted for Dave Brown based on his promise to "do a better job and spend less." Dave Brown is doing neither. As Board Chair he moved, then voted to fire, Superintendent Dr. Joe Morelock without cause. This single act, initiated by Brown, will cost the district hundreds of thousands of dollars. But Dave Brown was breaking his promise to the community even before this. Brown ignored the pleas of hundreds of his fellow community members enacting what is likely an unconstitutional ban on anything "political, quasi-political or controversial." He is being sued for violating Oregon Public meeting laws in order to hire a partisan attorney on the taxpayer's dime. He is actively suing dissenting community members, and is continually exposing NSD to potentially devastating lawsuits. Dave Brown has endangered the stability of Newberg and its school district, while showing a total lack of competence, preparedness and, worse, a lack of respect for students, parents, staff, and his own constituents. Is this doing better or spending less? Absolutely not. Dave Brown must go.

Justification of Course in Office: I represent everyone, I don't color code, care what your gender is, everyone is important. Your family is important.

I voted to remove our past superintendent because everyone must be important and represented in our community and this was not happening.

Cost? Our district has lost millions of dollars for the direction, in-school decisions and curriculum that has forced families to remove their students and find better and healthier educational opportunities.

Flag ban did pass legal review and was intended to remove flags and banners that should not have been allowed in the first place. Harmful flags and banners.

We did hire an attorney that was legal, that is paid for by a budget the school district has always had. Why? To have immediate legal advice while under attack from those who like to use lawsuits as a way to intimidate.

The people who are driving a progressive dangerous agenda are the ones hurting our school district.

I will not pander to selfish self-serving agenda-based individuals who only care about their political motives.

I strongly believe in the United States of America, our US Constitution and the "In God We Trust".

Thank You - Dave Brown

Contest Total: 2

Ballot Content

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Number of Contest : 2
Number of Filed Candidates: 0