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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' SESSION
ON
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Carolina Rook

From: John Robinson <drosdin@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 29, 2021 6:23 PM
To: BOC Info
Cc: nmontesano@newsregister.com
Subject: Berschauer Should Resign

[This email originated outside of Yamhill County]

When times are tough, there's no shame in asking for help. As a native Oregonian, I've seen communities struggle when the government steps in. And when the government shut down the state for Covid, what I saw reminded me of the timber shutdowns from my childhood, but on a much larger scale. Everywhere you looked there were people out of work, businesses were shuttered, and everyone had a sense of fear over how they were going to make ends meet.

It was a time when people needed help. Several businesses filed for emergency government loans to stay afloat. Some received their money, many did not.

One of the lucky ones was Leona Consulting. Who was accepted for a paycheck protection loan of \$12,500. What made this business different from the other businesses struggling to keep their doors open was that its sole employee, Lindsay Berschauer, was a high priced lobbyist who was also an active candidate for County Commissioner at the time. That loan has now been forgiven, despite the fact that she would have had no problem paying the loan back on a commissioner's salary. We essentially just let this politician pocket over \$12,000 of our tax money.

Soon after the loan, Commissioner Berschauer was able to loan her campaign \$2000. How does the owner of a company that needs public assistance to keep it's doors open have \$2000 to spend on running for office? It really makes Commissioner Berschauer's disdain for seemingly frivolous purchases made by others on public assistance seem hypocritical.

What's worse, despite taking public money for herself, Commissioner Berschauer is now using her position to block the distribution of further economic relief funds that other businesses need to get back on their feet.

I'm not sure what they call this in Arizona where Lindsay is from, but where I'm from we see it for what it is: a greedy politician lining her pockets with taxpayer money while the rest of us struggle to get by.

Commissioner Berschauer needs to resign or be recalled.

John Robinson

Carolina Rook

From: A. Virginia Gray <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Thursday, July 29, 2021 9:03 PM
To: BOC Info
Subject: Public Comment: Lindsay Berschauer Must Resign

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From: Joni Zimmerman <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
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From: Inga Gelford <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Friday, July 30, 2021 10:04 PM
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From: Alicia Mannerter <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
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From: William Berger <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Sunday, August 1, 2021 7:45 PM
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Carolina Rook

From: Aaron Miller <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, August 3, 2021 2:12 PM
To: BOC Info
Subject: Public Comment: Lindsay Berschauer Must Resign

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From: Elizabeth Miller <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
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Carolina Rook

From: Mary Starrett
Sent: Wednesday, August 4, 2021 11:31 AM
To: BOC Info
Subject: FW: Ask Governor Brown for local control

Mary Starrett

Chair, Yamhill County Board of Commissioners
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From: Jubilee Cable <jubileecable@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 4, 2021 10:44 AM
To: dbrockett@msd.k12.or.us; slegard@msd.k12.or.us; mmartinoff@msd.k12.or.us; Mary Starrett <starrettm@co.yamhill.or.us>; Lindsay Berschauer <berschauerl@co.yamhill.or.us>; Casey Kulla <kullac@co.yamhill.or.us>
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Please submit the following letter as testimony at the next MSD school board meeting. I would also like to be informed at how I can speak in person at upcoming meetings. Thank you!

Dear Superintendent Brockett, Mcminville School Board, and Yamhill Commissioners,

I pulled my oldest from entering kindergarten last year because I knew she would not thrive with the paranoid and strict rules. She had anxiety at the start of the pandemic, and developed crippling OCD tendencies from the rules at her daycare. Long story short, I am happy to report that she is functioning with normal, thriving mental health because of homeschooling and my immense efforts to shield her from the anxiety of this pandemic. Had I fueled her anxiety by promoting her every-five-minute hand washing, her intense fear of being alone, and her fear of contracting any germs from anyone- I would have a depressed, OCD, anxiety ridden child- that I have no doubt.

I would love to enroll my oldest back into public school this fall. But I will not subject my 1st grader or my pre-K daughter to be pulled from my car crying (the new drop off I'm informed by multiple parents last year), placed 6 ft apart from their peers, told to constantly hand wash, to go to recess with closed playgrounds, to not share, to not direct play with others, and above all- wear a mask. To expect such small children to wear a mask all day AND converse with their peers and teacher is beyond me. This is not a safe environment for children's mental health, and the mark has been completely missed.

A survey by Mental Health America in September of 2020 showed over half of 11-17 year olds reported having thoughts of suicide or self harm in >50% or every day of the previous two weeks.

Mental Health America ranked Oregon as the 3rd highest for youth mental illness.

Data from the Lines for Life, a suicide prevention group in Oregon, shows a 38% increase to their youth line from March to the end of 2020.

These statistics should be alarming, and certainly not ignored.

These statistics above are likely worse now because of Governor Brown's whiplash decisions. So much was promised in the media about "returning to normal" once you get the Covid vaccine. It was pushed to the younger population, whom I'm sure was desperate to return to a resemblance of normal. Then the masks were lifted as a reward, and a month later- enforced again for the school year. This sort of back and forth creates instability in children's and teen's lives, and promotes depression and anxiety.

While some argue that it's the school's responsibility to reduce/eliminate the possibility of covid spread in schools, my opinion is it's the public school's responsibility to TEACH our children, to provide ACCESS TO ALL, and to have a safe ENVIRONMENT to do so. There clearly are differences in opinions on what a "safe" environment is, but what upsets me the most- is the lack of regard to children's mental health. Leave the decision of what's best for children's health to parents. Please return back to teaching our children with logical safety rules that apply to age specific children.

I urge you to ask our governor to return local control so that you can put our children first.

If the MSD rules for fall remain in place, I will unenroll my 4 year old from Pre-K at Grandhaven, and continue to homeschool my 1st grader.

DISCLAIMER- these thoughts are of my own opinion and do not reflect that of my employer.

Warm Regards,
Mrs J. Cable

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From: Michele Rodocker-Cummings <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
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