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OPPORTUNITY for Public Comment on Closed Session Agenda Items

No public comments were received for this portion of the agenda.

OPPORTUNITY for Public Comment on Consent Agenda Items

No public comments were received for this portion of the agenda.

UNSCHEDULED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

1. Carolyn Brown

Yes open the schools safely.

2. Trena Dixon – (Voicemail Transcribed)

Hi, my name is Trena Dixon and I'm calling in regards to renaming of the Early Learning Center after LaVera Ethridge-Williams. I'm calling because at your previous Board meeting, uhm, asking Board Members if they are or are not in favor of renaming the center after Mrs. Williams, uh, one of your Board Members, uhm, very unprofessionally, reluctantly did vote in favor, but her posture, tone of voice, and her body language stated she was not in favor of doing so, and I feel this is very unprofessional of one of your Board Members. Uhm, the Board Member is Mrs. uh, Elizabeth Jonasson Rosas, if I'm pronouncing that correctly. Anyway, I would love for Mrs. Williams to, or for the Early Learning Center to be named after Mrs. Williams because she is a great or has been a great asset to the West Fresno Community, she is a source in that community. So, I just wanted to make sure I let someone know that it was very unpleasant knowing that your Board Member could behave in such manner. Thank you.

3. Linda Reaves – (Voicemail Transcribed)

I'm leaving an unscheduled oral communication for the renaming of the LaVera Early Learning Center on Fresno and A Street. To the Board President, Superintendent, and Board of Education, first and foremost I would like to say thank you to the Board Members for electing Mrs. LaVera Williams and renaming the early learning center at Fresno and A Street after her. However, I did sense a feeling that one of the Board Members did not really seem to want her name on the building. It was mentioned earlier, Mrs. Williams dedicated her live to giving quality care to children throughout the community. Don't let us forget, she received the Portrait of Success from KSEE 24; The Woman of the Year from the 16th Senate District of California by Senator Jim Costa; The Martin Luther King award for community service recognition by the Fresno Unified School District for being a leader in education for the children of the community. Mrs. Williams was recognized by the Gamma Eta Chapter of Iota Phi Lambda Sorority as an Outstanding Black Woman of the Year. Last but not least the City of Fresno honored her with the Minority Business Enterprise award for outstanding contributions to the Fresno economy. Mrs. Williams did not give a large sum of money to the Fresno Unified School District, but she did use her personal hard-earned money to build the early learning center on Fresno and A Street. So, thank you again for all the Board Members that truly, truly **(250-word limit reached)**.

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4. Shirley Jean Harris
November 2, 2020

To The Superintendent and President of the Board of Education (Fresno Unified School District):

This letter is to express my disappointment with Board Member Elizabeth Jonasson Rosas' remarks regarding the renaming of the present FUSD Early Learning Center. I felt that Mrs. Rosas had reservations regarding the recipient as a worthy nominee of the renaming of the site.

Public input was sought from August 26, 2020 to September 26, 2020. The Board received and reviewed the list of the nominees, which included Mrs. Williams. It is my hope that Mrs. Rosas, remembered this nomination was the result of an online survey (AR 7310).

Mrs. LaVera Williams was nominated because of the fact that she is well known and a pillar of the community. She has been a resident of West Fresno for over 75 years.

I am also hopeful that Mrs. Rosas' remembers that Mrs. LaVera Williams was recognized by the Fresno Unified School District as a recipient of the Martin Luther King Jr. Award for Community Service for being a LEADER in education for the children of the community and that Mrs. LaVera Williams received the 2018 Legacy Trailblazer Award presented by the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools at the African American Student Leadership Conference where over 1,100 students, parents, facility and community leaders were in attendance.

In closing, I would like to thank the Superintendent Robert Nelson, the President of the Board of Education (Fresno Unified School District), and Mrs. Elizabeth Jonasson Rosas for your **(250-word limit reached)**.

B. CONFERENCE/DISCUSSION AGENDA

B-18, HOLD a Public Hearing in the Matter of the Aspen Ridge Public School Charter Petition

1. Emily Sterling

My name is Emily Sterling. I am addressing item B-18 on the FUSD Board agenda. I am in support of the new 7-12 school, Aspen Ridge Public School. I have been a parent of student(s) at a current Aspen school, and I want my student to continue to have the option to attend an Aspen school through high school. I believe that parents should have a choice about what school is best for their students. Summit Learning has helped my student to grow both socially and academically. I believe that Aspen will prepare my student for college and a career. Please consider voting YES to approve the new Aspen Ridge Public School!

2. Pamela Allen

My name is Pamela Allen. I am addressing item B-18 on the FUSD Board agenda. I am in support of the new 7-12 school, Aspen Ridge Public School. I have been a parent of student(s) at a current Aspen school, and I want my student to continue to have the option to attend an Aspen school through high school. I believe that parents should have a choice about what school is best for their students. Summit Learning has helped my student to grow both socially and

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academically. I believe that Aspen will prepare my student for college and a career. Please consider voting YES to approve the new Aspen Ridge Public School!

3. Linda Vasquez

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4. JD Foster

Fresno Unified School District Board,

My name is JD Foster. I am writing to address item B-18 on the FUSD Board agenda. I am in support of the new 7-12 school, Aspen Ridge Public School. I am a parent of a student at a current Aspen school, and I want my student to continue to have the option to attend an Aspen school through high school. I believe that parents should have a choice about what school is best for their students. Summit Learning has helped my student to grow both socially and academically. I believe that Aspen will prepare my student for college and a career. Please consider voting YES to approve the new Aspen Ridge Public School!

5. Jodi Clark

My name is Jodi Clark. I am addressing item B-18 on the FUSD Board agenda. I am in support of the new 7-12 school, Aspen Ridge Public School. I have been a parent of student(s) at a current Aspen school, and I want to my student to continue to have the option to attend an Aspen school through high school. I believe that parents should have a choice about what school is best for their students. Summit Learning has helped my student to grow both socially and academically. I believe that Aspen will prepare my student for college and a career. Please consider voting YES to approve the new Aspen Ridge Public School!

The school staff is phenomenal with our kids and our parents. They provide support, kindness and a great education to our students and families.

I would love to send my 7th grader next year to the new Aspen High School.

I also feel great comfort knowing that my kids are kept safe while away from home.

Thank you for your time.

6. Dulce Calderon

My name is ___Dulce Calderon___. I am addressing item B-18 on the FUSD Board agenda. I am in support of the new 7-12 school, Aspen Ridge Public School. I have been a parent of student(s) at a current Aspen school, and I want to my student to continue to have the option to attend an Aspen school through high school. I believe that parents should have a choice about what school is best for their students. Summit Learning has helped my student to grow both socially and academically. I believe that Aspen will prepare my student for college and a career. Please consider voting YES to approve the new Aspen Ridge Public School!

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7. Carol Villagrana

My name is Carol Villagrana. I am addressing item B-18 on the FUSD Board agenda. I am in support of the new 7-12 school, Aspen Ridge Public School. I have been a parent of 7th grader Cyrus Leggi at current Aspen school, and I want my son to continue to have the option to attend an Aspen school through high school. I believe that parents should have a choice about what school is best for their students. Summit Learning has helped my student to grow both socially and academically. Summit has been our saving grace and made us aware of gaps in Cyrus education. Once we knew the gaps we were able to find him the support he needed to excell. Summit has helped my son more than academically. Before Summit I did not think my son despite his best efforts would ever be prepared for college.. I believe that Aspen will prepare my son for college and a career. Please consider voting YES to approve the new Aspen Ridge Public School!

8. Mary Nixon

Hello,

This year will be my eighth year teaching Visual Art at Aspen Public School. My name is Mary Nixon and I would like to express my support for the new 7-12 school, Aspen Ridge Public School in reference to item B-18 on the FUSD School Board agenda. Many of our students and parents have expressed a strong desire to open a 7-12 school to continue the quality education the students are receiving at Aspen Public School. Please consider the needs of the students and the parents so they have the choice of sending their child to Aspen through high school. We would like you to strongly consider voting YES to approve the new Aspen Ridge Public School.

9. Dalia Lazaro

Hello, my name is Dalia Lazaro, and I'm a current parent of two students at Aspen School. I'm writing regarding the item B-18 on the FUSD Board agenda. I'm in support of the new 7-12 school, Aspen Ridge Public School. My daughter started in first grade at Aspen, now she is a fourth grader. My son started kindergarten last year, and now he is in first grade. I'm a fortunate because my kids are getting the best education. Submit Learning has help my kids be more confident and helped them grow academically. They are getting prepared for college and for a career at Aspen School. I believe parents should have the right and option to continue their kids all the way through high school in an Aspen school. We know what is best for our students education and Aspen School is providing the best academic education and preparing our students for the future. For these reasons you should consider a YES to approve the new Aspen Ridge Public School.

10. Alicia – (Submitted in Spanish and Translated)

Sent from my iPhone.

My name is Alicia. I am referencing item B-18 on the Fresno Unified Board meeting agenda. I support the new 7-12 school, Aspen Ridge Public School. I am the parent of two students who currently attend an Aspen School and I would like my children to continue to have the option of attending an Aspen School through high school. As a parent, I can choose which school is best for my students. Summit learning has greatly helped my students grow both socially and academically. Aspen will prepare my students for college and a career. I vote Yes to approve the New Aspen Ridge Public School!

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11. Amandeep Kaur

my name is amandeep kaur. I am addressing item b-18on the FUSD Board agenda. I am in support of the new 7-12, Aspen Ridge public school. I enrolled my son in this school this year. This school is doing an amazing job compared to the other two districts that my son had attended the last couple years. My son has autism and he is in special education class. I finally have peace of mind that the teachers and staff of Aspen really care for their son to succeed in his education and try to help him any way they can. I did not feel that with the other two schools. I was actually already stressing about where I was going to send my son after 6th grade. Now I have a piece of mind that this school is planning on extending up to 12 grade. please consider voting yes to approve the new aspen ridge public school

12. Raul Trejo, Jr.

My name is RAUL TREJO, JR.. I am addressing item B-18 on the FUSD Board agenda. I am in support of the new 7-12 school, Aspen Ridge Public School. I want our students to continue to have the option to attend an Aspen school through high school. I believe that parents should have a choice about what school is best for their students. Summit Learning has helped our students to grow both socially and academically. I believe that Aspen will prepare our students for college and a career. Please consider voting YES to approve the new Aspen Ridge Public School!

13. Shelly Coleman

Hi. My name is Shelly Coleman. I am addressing item B-18 on the FUSD Board agenda. I come from a family of teachers and married into a family of teachers, so education is in my blood. I would like to express my support of the new Aspen Ridge Public School, which will serve grades 7 to 12. This is my fifth year as a parent at Aspen Valley Prep. My son is currently a 7th grader, and he very much wants to continue attending an Aspen school through high school. His father and I agree, having seen the quality of education he's received at Aspen Valley Prep. He has absolutely flourished using Summit Learning. It not only is a great educational tool, but it helps him take ownership of his education, a skill that will stay with him through his whole life. Aspen Schools don't just provide "book learning." Their students are gaining life skills and relational skills that will help make them future leaders in the community and beyond. As someone who values quality education and school choice, I ask you to consider voting YES to approve the new Aspen Ridge Public School.

14. Yessenia Silva

My name is Yessenia Silva. I am addressing item B-18 on the FUSD Board agenda. I am in support of the new 7-12 school, Aspen Ridge Public School. I am a parent of 3 students at a current Aspen school, and I want my student to continue to have the option to attend an Aspen school through high school. I believe that parents should have a choice about what school is best for their students. Summit Learning has helped my student to grow both socially and academically. I believe that Aspen will prepare my student for college and a career. Please consider voting YES to approve the new Aspen Ridge Public School. Thank you very much.

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15. Briana Cox

My name is Briana Cox. I am addressing item B-18 on the FUSD Board agenda. I am in support of the new 7-12 school, Aspen Ridge Public School. I am the mother of a current student at Aspen Meadow Public Charter School and I have other children that will be attending in the future. I want my children to continue to have the option to attend an Aspen school through high school. I believe that parents should have a choice about what school is best for their students. This new school would help with continuing all of the bonds my child has created and other children will create while attending Aspen Schools. Summit Learning has helped my son to grow both socially and academically. I believe that Aspen will prepare my son as well as other students for college, a career, and being a productive member of society. I do not see my children continuing in FUSD for 7-12th grade if an Aspen School is not an option. From a devoted mother Please consider voting YES to approve the new Aspen Ridge Public School! Thank you!

16. Kristin Green

Hello,

My name is Kristin Green. I am addressing item B-18 on the FUSD Board agenda. I am in support of the new 7-12 school, Aspen Ridge Public School. I am a teacher at a current Aspen school, and I see the positive impact that Aspen is having on the students in our community. Our students should have the option to attend an Aspen school through high school and I believe that parents should have a choice about what school is best for their students. Summit Learning has been tremendous in helping our students grow both socially and academically. I believe that Aspen will prepare students for college and a career, resulting in a positive environment for our greater Fresno community. Please consider voting YES to approve the new Aspen Ridge Public School!

17. Margaret Rodriguez

Hello, my name is Margaret Rodriguez. I would like to address item B-18 on the FUSD Board agenda. I am totally in support of the new 7-12 school, Aspen Ridge Public School. I have been a parent of student(s) at a current Aspen school, and I want and actually really feel its a Need that my children continue to have them attend an Aspen school through high school. Parents should have the choice with what school they feel is best for their students, in which I Deeply feel that this is the school for mine! Summit Learning has helped my kids grow both socially and academically as well as myself as parent they have given me the tools to use to assist them along which i find so wonderful. I Know that this school will prepare my children for college and a career. Please consider voting YES to approve the new Aspen Ridge Public School!

18. Rosa Vidales

To whom it may concern: My name is Rosa Vidales parents of Edgar Guerrero, 7th grader, My husband and I are very happy on how our son has grown so much academically, hes self-esteem, and how Aspen has been a big impact in our lives, we saw how much Edgar has changed for the best, he believes in himself, likes to challenge himself to succeed, I really believe a high school with same curriculum, anti bullying will benefit my son, Im so worried on what high-school hell attend if we don't get our Aspen High, my son was in a school were he suffered bullying for 4 years and nothing was done, he never wanted to attend school, was always angry, and had suicidal taught at one time, so as parents we did everything we could to change that, we feel

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we did when he was accepted in Aspen Valley Prep, he became a new person with many goals, thankyou so much Aspen Valley Prep!

19. Chasity Day

In reference to agenda item B-18, I Chastity Day would like to give my support for the opening of Aspen Ridge High School. I believe that now more than ever Fresno and the surrounding communities are looking for an acceptable alternative to traditional public school choices. The school would provide many current charter school students with the option of attending a charter high school and thus increase the likelihood of these students (who need alternative options) of attending college. This will help transform our community by preparing our students to succeed no matter how difficult their situations may be.

20. M. Dildine

I would like to speak in support of the charter application submitted by Aspen Ridge. I am the CEO for the Fresno Mission and the developer of the City Center campus where Aspen will be located. Aspen has been a valued partner working with the Fresno Mission in the past to serve students experiencing life insecurities. I will be available to answer any questions that Board has regarding the facility and the overall plans for City Center.

21. David & Moriah Turnbull

Hello;

Our name is David & Moriah Turnbull. We are addressing item B-18 on the FUSD Board agenda. We are in support of the new 7-12 school, Aspen Ridge Public School. We are parents of 2 students at a current Aspen school, and we want our children to continue to have the option to attend an Aspen school through high school. We believe that parents should have a choice about what school is best for their children. Summit Learning has helped our children to grow both socially and academically. We believe that Aspen will prepare our children for college and a career. Please consider voting YES to approve the new Aspen Ridge Public School!

22. Cecilia Garcia

Good evening,

I'd like to take a brief moment to talk about what an amazing opportunity Aspen Ridge Highschool will be to our community students. Many of our students and parents have asked for a highschool for years. The student's are educated to be leaders in our community. What better way than to finish their highschool years with the same goal in mind. We have amazing staff to help them develop skills that will be so beneficial for their adulthood. The plans that have been brought up sound amazing and I'm sure students will graduate to be amazing adults with some college credits. This is amazing to be ahead of the game as a highschool graduate. I support and would love to see Aspen Ridge Highschool blossom in our community.

23. Laura Drury

Hello,

My name is Laura Drury. I am addressing item B-18 on the FUSD Board Agenda. I am very much in support of the new 7-12, Aspen Ridge Public High School. I have been a parent and employee with Aspen Public Schools for 15 years. My children were privileged to attend this school during their K-8th grade years and made life long memories and friends. Unfortunately they did not

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have the opportunity to continue as Aspen Public Schools did not offer a high school at the time. We had to make alternate arrangements.

As a school registrar I can tell you that I hear firsthand, over the years, from many families how much they wish we had a high school. I've talked with countless families about what options are available to them, to continue with a similar charter school feel. This is what many parents want. Our school has much to offer and our students would love the opportunity to continue their education in the same school, alongside their friends, and be able to graduate together, from K-12th. This is very important to kids. I believe families want and should be offered the opportunity to choose their child's educational path. Aspen Public Schools is a strong program with a great track record. Aspen Ridge High School promises to be a unique program and will help our kids have great success! Please approve the petition for Aspen Ridge Public School! It's been a long time coming.

24. Caleb Carr

Greetings, my name is Caleb Carr and I support the opening of Aspen Ridge Public School, agenda item B-18.

I have been the music teacher with Aspen Public Schools for the past two and a half years. For the duration of my time, the Aspen team has been an excellent place to work. The administration, teachers, and staff are supportive and care immensely about the families we serve. Aspen moved quickly to adopt distance learning last Spring when the Covid-19 shutdowns began, which is just one way that Aspen has proved to be relentlessly creative and student-focused. The opening of Aspen Ridge will give our community a great choice for quality education and leadership development.

25. Cevada Crayton-Hooks

My name is Cevada Crayton-Hooks. I am addressing item B-18 on the FUSD Board agenda. I am in support of the new 7-12 school, Aspen Ridge Public School. I am a parent of Jaedyn Hooks at a current Aspen school, and I want her to continue to have the option to attend an Aspen school through high school. She has been attending since she started TK. I believe that parents should have a choice about what school is best for their students. Summit Learning is helping my daughter to grow both socially and academically. I believe that Aspen will prepare my daughter for college and a career. Please consider voting YES to approve the new Aspen Ridge Public School!

26. Hilary Witts

Dear trustees,

At Aspen Public Schools, our vision is to “transform the community by developing exceptional leaders.” We know that our 21st century learners do not learn the same way as we did and in the traditional education system are not being prepared for 21st century careers. With this, in 2016 our middle school-Aspen Valley Prep, was chosen and embarked on a journey of personalized learning with 21st century skills using the Summit learning model and curriculum with a cohort of 120 schools from across the USA.

In 2016, Aspen Valley Prep, started Summit learning with two first year teachers and two

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provisional intern teachers to 77 students. When the students were taught with real-world projects, learning 21st century cognitive skills, individualized pathways, 1:1 mentorship and opportunities to learn from failures, they soared. Our first year, we saw an 11% increase in Math and 10% increase in ELA on the SBAC.

In my thirteen years of teaching, I had never seen a curriculum or program make that big of a gain in a single year. Since then, Aspen Valley Prep's, SBAC scores from 2019 beat the state scores in ELA in 6th-8th grade, and Math in 6th and 7th grades. Data you can see within our petition. Qualitatively, we have noticed that our students are curious, self-aware, and have a sense of purpose in middle school with very little discipline coming from our middle school grades..

I've also seen this program support the teachers with incredible professional developments, resources, lesson **(250-word limit reached)**.

27. Nancy Alvarez

Hi!

My name is Nancy Alvarez, School Outreach and Homeless Liaison and former FUSD Community Liaison and can't wait to be part of the Aspen Ridge High School team, who loves the vision of empowering students to become community leaders. We need this in Fresno, we need to support and offer hope to students 7-12th grade whose minds are connected to what the community and world is negatively offering and redirect them to a positive, safe, "yes you can!" environment and become the best leaders in the nation. I believe all this can be accomplished, but we need your help and support. We are committed to advance and make Aspen Ridge the best High School with all the guidelines and procedures we need to follow.

28. Kristine Nagamine

My name is Kristine Nagamine. I am addressing item B-18 on the FUSD Board agenda. I am in support of the new 7-12 school, Aspen Ridge Public School. I have been a teacher at a current Aspen school, Aspen Valley Prep, for the past five years, and I definitely want my students to continue to have the option to attend an Aspen school through high school. I believe that all parents should have a choice about what school is best for their students. I have personally witnessed Summit Learning helping the students who I have taught to grow both socially and academically. The growth they have achieved has been measurable and has surpassed all expectations. I strongly believe that Aspen will prepare students for college and a career. Please consider voting YES to approve the new Aspen Ridge Public School! Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

29. Buffy Hooks

My name is Buffy Hooks. I am addressing item B-18 on the FUSD Board agenda. I am in support of the new 7-12 school, Aspen Ridge Public School. I am a staff member at a current Aspen school, and I work with some pretty amazing people that truly care and value the students education. I also have a child that attends the school as well. I couldn't have asked for a better educational opportunity for my child to continue to have the option to attend an Aspen school through high school. Summit Learning has helped my child to grow both socially and academically. I believe that Aspen will prepare my student for college and a career. Please

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30. Robert Phillips

My name is Robert Phillips, I am addressing item B-18 on the FUSD Board agenda. I am in support of the new 7-12 school, Aspen Ridge Public School. I have been a parent of student(s) at a current Aspen school, and I want my student to continue to have the option to attend an Aspen school through high school. I believe that parents should have a choice about what school is best for their students. Summit Learning has helped my student to grow both socially and academically. I believe that Aspen will prepare my student for college and a career., And I also truly believe that a child should feel comfortable with his surroundings and general school environment. My son has prospered greatly in his education, character, and motivation itthrough Aspen valley prep. I know good teachers are always thinking about what might be best for students with their individuality and individual needs, and there are some awesome teachers and pepe's in fresno unified school district, and I know that putting kids first, is of utmost paramount to teachers. That is in all humble honesty that I ask that Aspen valley prep, be able to further advance education through highschool. I believe variety, choice, and creative solutions are what makes our country and people unique, and wonderful in every way possible. It's the freedom of option to find ways that nurture each individual chid to reach new heights of brilliance, creativity, and the passion to pursue their potential and dream's **(250-word limit reached)**.

31. Maria Arellano

My name is Maria Arellano, I am addressing item B-18 on the FUSD Board agenda. I am in support of the new 7-12 school, Aspen Ridge Public School. I have been a parent of student(s) at a current Aspen school, and I want my student to continue to have the option to attend an Aspen school through high school. I believe that parents should have a choice about what school is best for their students. Summit Learning has helped my student to grow both socially and academically. I believe that Aspen will prepare my student for college and a career. Please consider voting YES to approve the new Aspen Ridge Public School!

32. Lisa Taylor

To: FUSD Board of Trustees

I am addressing item B-18 on the FUSD Board agenda. I am in support of the new 7-12 school, Aspen Ridge Public School. I am the school site director of Aspen Meadow Public School, and I want to see students continue to have the option to attend an Aspen school through high school. I believe that parents should have a choice about what school is best for their students. Summit Learning has helped our students grow both socially and academically. I believe that Aspen will prepare students for college and a career. Please consider voting YES to approve the new Aspen Ridge Public School! Thank you for your consideration.

33. Alana Amezcua

Good evening!

I hope this emails find you all well. The reason for this email is to express my support for the 7-12 Aspen Ridge Public School. My child has been attending Aspen Valley Prep for two years and she's learned a lot through the faculty and staff. My daughter has exceeded in her reading levels amongst other subjects. We love that our child can grow with the same staff and friends and

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hope she can continue in the future at a Aspen High School. My desire is for all my children to grow with Aspen Schools so Please vote YES! Sincerely, Alana Amezcua.

34. Jane Doe

The following is my opinion for reasons Aspen should not be able to open another school. Mrs.Lether and Mrs.Sands installed two teachers as principals (Taylor and Rivera) without proper degrees or credentials. Mr. Hodges would be one more. Average GreatSchools rating of 3/10. Equity ratings of 2/10. Four new sets of curriculum in math, ELA, social studies and science dropped on teachers in one year with only a single training other than math. The third grade class last year had three teachers in 9 months (Warren, Haagensen, Morris). The year prior, the same class had two second grade teachers (Castillo, Emanuelson). The year before: four first grade teachers (Metz, Ms. Rivera, Marshall, Carpenter). The year before that: two K teachers (Demaio, Grijalva). Several highly suspected retaliatory firing cases. Poor staff morale at both sites, marked by a joke of a morale “rumble” survey that was met with casual disregard by admin, also secret teacher meetings, as well as a denied plan to enlist an onsite mediator for staff conflict resolution. Additional disregard for employees evident in informing teachers in June they would not receive their annual salary—way too late to reasonably find other positions. Admin reprimands teachers for voicing concerns in group meetings, despite admin’s “we want to hear your voice” messaging. Finally, a likely case of admin disregarding a case of fraud in which an induction coach signed off on meetings that never happened. Please deny this petition.

35. Maria Dominguez

My name is Maria Dominguez. I am addressing item B-18 on the FUSD Board agenda. I am in support of the new 7-12 school, Aspen Ridge Public School. I have been a parent of student(s) at a current Aspen school, and I want to my student to continue to have the option to attend an Aspen school through high school. I believe that parents should have a choice about what school is best for their students. Summit Learning has helped my student to grow both socially and academically. I believe that Aspen will prepare my student for college and a career. Please consider voting YES to approve the new Aspen Ridge Public School!

36. Chris Avila

Hello fresno unified board

My name is Chris Avila I agree on the agenda item b-18 on fresno unified board agenda. I completely support the new 7-12 school aspen ridge public school . I am a current parent of children at aspen school. I would like for my children to have the option to continue to attend an aspen school through high school.

B-19, PRESENT and DISCUSS District Efforts to Address Chronic Absenteeism

No public comments were received for Agenda Item B-19.