

Subject: Fwd: Covid funds for school districts 2021.
Date: Thu, 21 Oct 2021 11:22:35 -0500
From: Ricci Nelson <[REDACTED]>
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From: Jay Hoffman <[REDACTED]>
Date: Thu, Oct 21, 2021 at 10:07 AM
Subject: Covid funds for school districts 2021.
To: <[REDACTED]>

Georgetown ISD is page 12 for 2021 and Jarrell ISD is page 16.

The allocations for other fiscal years can be found on the TEA website.

These are the funds that ARP requires the spending of at least 20 percent for “evidence-based interventions” that “respond to students’ academic, social, and emotional needs.” This must include “free, antiracist therapy for White educators.”

<https://tea.texas.gov/sites/default/files/covid/2020-2021-ARP-Act-ESSER-III-Allocation-Amounts-by-LEA.pdf>

Here is the website that exposes this information.

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[Over the past year Congress has allocated nearly \\$200 billion to the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency R.](#)

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Ricci Nelson
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Subject: Jenny Wells/superintendent
Date: Tue, 12 Oct 2021 15:15:00 -0500
From: Ricci Nelson <[REDACTED]>
To: Amy Weir <amy_weir@roundrockisd.org>, Jun Xiao <jun_xiao@roundrockisd.org>, Cory Vessa <cory_vessa@roundrockisd.org>, Tiffanie Harrison <tiffanie_n_harrison@roundrockisd.org>, Danielle Weston <danielle_weston@roundrockisd.org>, Mary Bone <mary_bone@roundrockisd.org>, Daniel Presley <daniel_presley@roundrockisd.org>, Amber Feller <Amber_feller@roundrockisd.org>, Tom Maynard <tom@maynardfortexas.com>, Complaints Management <complaintsmanagement@tea.texas.gov>, Hafedh Azaiez <hafedh_azaiez@roundrockisd.org>, commissioner@tea.texas.gov, tina.farrell@tea.texas.gov
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I would like to know if Jenny Wells is on paid leave or unpaid leave since her DWI arrest in Williamson county. Since she blew over .15, it includes an enhancement over a regular dwi. This could result in her losing her bar license even temporarily. I hope the district is not paying her while she adjudicates this egregious case of driving while intoxicated. This goes to the lack of accountability in the district including the lack of public information regarding the allegations against the Superintendent and why he is under TEA investigation. The board president, Amy Weir and Trustee Cory Vessa flat out lied to the public prior to the hiring of the Superintendent. Each claimed they had not been made aware of the allegations against the Superintendent and since we have learned this is not true. All board members were made aware of the allegations with only Trustee Bone and Weston, acting on the allegations of domestic violence. This allegation is very serious and domestic violence should never be pushed under the rug. This is a terrible image to portray to our young teens when the board actively accepts the Superintendent is being accused of domestic violence from a very credible source but refusing to act. The truth will come out and each of you will be held accountable for your actions.

Time for transparency and accountability from the board especially from the Board President, Amy Weir.

Ricci Nelson
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Subject: Rrhs equity club
Date: Wed, 15 Sep 2021 09:03:01 -0500
From: Ricci Nelson <[REDACTED]>
To: Danielle Weston <danielle_weston@roundrockisd.org>, Daniel Presley <daniel_presley@roundrockisd.org>, Cory Vessa <cory_vessa@roundrockisd.org>, Amy Weir <amy_weir@roundrockisd.org>, Amber Feller <amber_feller@roundrockisd.org>, Jun Xiao <jun_xiao@roundrockisd.org>, Mary Bone <mary_bone@roundrockisd.org>, hafedh_azaiez@roundrockisd.org, Matt Groff <matt_groff@roundrockisd.org>, dewayne_street@roundrockisd.org
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As I sit here reflecting on the 20 year anniversary of the worst terror attack to hit this county, the memory is crystal clear. I was flying on 9/11 and this event truly affected my life. What I have been witnessing at rrisd over the past few years is truly heart breaking. I saw the below club listed at rrisd and my heart sank. The club at RRHS actively tells teachers to subvert policy. "Do your jobs poorly", it states. It implies people are racist therefore need to be anti-racist.

It divides our community and it's disrespectful to those that lost everything on 9/11 so they can speak freely even though it's hurtful to our community. These clubs need more over-sight from the administration and the district. RRISD has no blanket policies on how clubs can operate and standards they must adhere too. The clubs do not have to follow rrisd bullying or hazing rules. While at rrhs, I reported hazing at the dragon lacrosse club all the way up the dr Flores but was told they had no oversight. By the way, hazing is ILLEGAL and failure to report by a teacher/administrator can result in jail time.

This lack of accountability is a problem at rrisd. Even the board acts above the law. I expect this to be site be scrubbed immediately to reflect the true mission and goals of RRHS as stated when you walk in the front office and the goals under the Equity office of RRISD. I also expect these teachers to understand their role is to teach and their political ideologies need to be checked at the door.

Regards
Ricci

<https://sites.google.com/roundrockisd.org/rrhsedic/home?fbclid=IwAR17uNOq5PFJkKSMb909TYev5p0LzakFZMjERSn1Ak-d1zgucwacWw1dU4g>

Subject: Re: Superintendent
Date: Wed, 9 Jun 2021 14:22:55 -0500
From: Ricci <[REDACTED]>
To: Amy Weir <amy_weir@roundrockisd.org>
Cc: commissioner@tea.texas.gov, Amber Feller <Amber_feller@roundrockisd.org>, Cory Vessa <cory_vessa@roundrockisd.org>, Daniel Presley <daniel_presley@roundrockisd.org>, Danielle Weston <danielle_weston@roundrockisd.org>, Jun Xiao <jun_xiao@roundrockisd.org>, Mandy Estes <mandy_estes@roundrockisd.org>, Mary Bone <mary_bone@roundrockisd.org>, Tiffanie Harrison <tiffanie_n_harrison@roundrockisd.org>, Tom Maynard <tom@maynardfortexas.com>, Amy Weir <amy_weir@roundrockisd.org>, Complaints Management <complaintsmanagement@tea.texas.gov>
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Thank you for the response and feedback. Ultimately, the boards lack of leadership on this issue could be at the expense of our students, student outcomes, equity and taxpayers. This is probably one of the most important decisions you will make as a board member and to say oh well is rather disappointing. If the board lacked the for-thought to engage the community then its sets the tone of your priorities and willingness for transparency. This is on the board and the board President to have put stakeholders at the table in this discussion.

This shows a broader pattern on no transparency then saying oh well and moving on. I think the board has a duty to correct this issue even if it means not approving the contract when you want. You represent me and this community that wants this to happen and if it doesn't there will zero trust moving forward. That's a bad way to start.

I'm confident you can think outside the box to ensure the best student outcomes even if it's for one child per your policy discussion last night.

Regards
Ricci

On Jun 9, 2021, at 11:54 AM, Amy Weir <amy_weir@roundrockisd.org> wrote:

The Board discussed the requests for community forums at the June 8th Board Meeting and the types of questions that could legally be asked should this type of forum be held for a candidate and not an employee. The Board did not plan or schedule any pre-contract forums prior to the interviews, unlike AISD which planned and made sure the final candidates knew if they were chosen the sole finalist they would be expected to attend three virtual meet and greets. AISD staff had the events all planned and ready prior to the naming of the sole finalist as part of its process. Our Board did not set these up in advance, did not let our final candidates know this was an expectation, and is unable to change the rules at this late stage.

Could we all have done better communicating as the process went along? Absolutely. I personally apologize for not making more announcements in open session at the different stages of the process.

The schedule is for the Board to discuss the superintendent contract on Thursday, June 10, 2021. The 21-day waiting period ends on Friday, June 11, 2021. The Board is currently scheduled to have a meeting at 12:30pm on Monday, June 14, 2021 to vote on offering Dr. Azaiez a contract.

Our Community Relations team is planning numerous events beginning in July to introduce the new superintendent to the community. The Board looks forward to introducing Dr. Azaiez to the community and I think you will be impressed once you get a chance to meet him.

Amy

On Fri, Jun 4, 2021 at 4:44 PM Ricci Nelson <[REDACTED]> wrote:

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Amy Weir
Round Rock ISD Board President

Trustee Place 5

Subject: Re: March Open Meetings request
Date: Tue, 18 May 2021 14:35:01 -0500
From: Ricci <[REDACTED]>
To: legal_services@roundrockisd.org
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This was filed in March not only with rrisd board of trustees but tea. It's absolutely ridiculous and should be violation of the Texas open meetings act that rrisd board of trustees continue to operate virtually under the guise of a health emergency. The state is open, trustees and staff are vaccinated per trustee Vessa, yet the Board President refuses to return to normal operations (Per vessa). The board President has avoided dealing with a platitude of complaints, ethics issues and parents concerns. Tea MUST intervene and direct all school districts give access to tax payers per Texas Open Meetings act. I have also reached out to Governors Abbots office because it seems like RRISd will not comply with common sense and move forward to lead this district. I'm very concerned the amount of "business" that is being done behind closed doors. If board of trustees feel they can not properly represent their constituents, then they can resign and we will replace with new leadership that is willing to fight for our district and our children! The last year of virtual learning was an absolute disgrace and the fact board members want to continue that dismissal instruction is mind blowing. I can't even express my pure disappointment in my last year at RRISD. From a basic lack of security at RRHS to the ethical issues surrounding this board. We have debt to handle, massive learning gaps, ethics concerns, teacher pay gaps yet you can't do basic functions of government. I hope to see you in person this Thursday!

Kindly
Ricci

On Mar 18, 2021, at 1:20 PM, Ricci Nelson <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Please see attached as a request to open the March meeting to the public.

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Ricci Nelson – [REDACTED]
Level 1,2,or 3 – public complaint

3/12 – request to open the march meeting to the board of trustees and Dr. Presley

3/12 – response from Board President, Amy Weir, stating the goal of 4/15 for the public

3/12 – response from me asking why not the March meeting

3/12 – response from Danielle Weston stating she requested to know when the public would be allowed back into our meetings on March 4th

3/12 – response from President of the Board, Amy Weir, stating:

We just started discussing it after Trustee Weston asked on the 4th. Dr. Presley and his staff have to make sure all safety protocols are set up, not just for those attending our meeting, but for the student groups that are the gym space across the hall and sometimes in the foyer. The April meeting gives them time to do their job.

3/12 – my response

So let me understand. From 3/4 to 3/25 your well educated staff that is capable of solving problems quickly and effectively can not work this out. It's not like the board was unaware this was coming. I would like to understand why rrisd can't make this work with 3 weeks to

prepare. There are a variety of alternate spaces for the meeting all across rrisd facilities and student groups to access. Rrisd board and staff has been working and most have been vaccinated. So again explain, why Dr Presley thinks he can not open these meetings in compliance with open government and open meetings by March 25.

3/14 – requested again my myself for clarification on why RRISD can not use the variety of public spaces in its purview to open the meetings while addressing Covid restrictions

These are the facts. RRISD has not presented to the public a clear plan to reopen public comments and meetings under the Open meetings act and act as a transparent arbiter of their sworn duties. RRISD operates a tremendous amount of facilities that would accommodate this request safely.

I am requesting that the Board of Directors direct Acting Superintendent Presley, to accommodate an open meeting for March in accordance with CDC guidelines just like they are asking their staff to do daily. RRISD board of trustees represent the tax payers and have a sworn duty to act on the best interests of the public.

Regards,

Ricci Nelson

<RRISD level 1 open meeting.pdf>

Subject: Fwd: [Texans4Truth] Federal Grants to Texas ISDs \$12.4 BILLION -- 20% for CRT and teacher CRT training
Date: Thu, 21 Oct 2021 11:23:00 -0500
From: Ricci Nelson <[REDACTED]>
To: Mary Bone <mary_bone@roundrockisd.org>, Danielle Weston <danielle_weston@roundrockisd.org>
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Have you seen this report? Approximately \$8.25M to GISD from the Feds and almost \$1M for JISD. 20% must be spent on CRT and teacher training thereof.

<https://texasscorecard.com/commentary/haynes-federal-grants-push-critical-race-theory-into-texas-classrooms/>

Terry

Here is the author's website: [Home - Dr. Carole H Haynes](#)

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Subject: Re: Superintendent
Date: Fri, 4 Jun 2021 15:47:04 -0500
From: Ricci Nelson <[REDACTED]>
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Regards
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Ricci Nelson
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Subject: Meeting Thursday
Date: Wed, 20 Oct 2021 13:10:16 +0000
From: Ricci Nelson <[REDACTED]>
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I've been notified that the board meeting will have limited seating Thursday. Please provide the official rrisd policy and proof it has been implemented equally across all RRISD campuses and meetings. I know this was not done at the recent TASB meeting as well as board members and staff NOT SOCIAL DISTANCING OR MASKING. I also am aware the superintendent went to Dallas on our tax Dillard's but was unable to go to the conference due to his restraining order for domestic violence.

I'm copying County Attorney Dee Hobbs so he can issue an official opinion in regards to the Open Meetings Act.

If you want to have a district policy, great, but you can't pick in choose because you don't want to see the citizens that elected you to the board.

Regards
Ricci

Subject: Safety at rrhs
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Cc: Danielle Weston <danielle_weston@roundrockisd.org>, Amy Weir <amy_weir@roundrockisd.org>, Amber Feller <Amber_feller@roundrockisd.org>, Cory Vessa <cory_vessa@roundrockisd.org>, Jun Xiao <jun_xiao@roundrockisd.org>, Tiffanie Harrison <tiffanie_n_harrison@roundrockisd.org>, Mary Bone <mary_bone@roundrockisd.org>, "commissioner@tea.texas.gov" <commissioner@tea.texas.gov>, Complaints Management <complaintsmanagement@tea.texas.gov>
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Today myself along with about 10 people walked right into rrhs at 4pm through an unlocked door. Not one staff member even asked us why we were inside during school hours. At least 1 administrator saw us along with staff. I spoke Principal Groff to tell him what I experienced and he was dismissive and frankly rude. I said if the doors in the 100 building are open early then staff MUST be there to ensure student safety. This behavior and total lack of regard for student safety is completely unacceptable.

I'm officially requesting a review of RRHS safety protocols and why principal Groff's feels he does not need to lock down his campus and provide basic student safety.

Regards
Ricci

Subject: Virtual school
Date: Fri, 4 Jun 2021 16:34:13 -0500
From: Ricci Nelson <[REDACTED]>
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After watching the board meeting, I want to make it abundantly clear that offering a virtual school is not a true viable option at this point in the game. There are a lot of families that want virtual for reasons far beyond medically necessary. Virtual learning is not the same level as in person. It is not fair for those learning virtually to compete in the same classes or for gpa's as on campus. This is not remotely that same education and if you decide to choose to offer this unfunded resource then it has to be on a very limited basis and it needs to be similar to home bound. There are a lot of other options that can offer a much better solution. As it was said, RRISD needs to focus on its public education that is in person. I also strongly believe if a family needs this virtual option then you do not need access to extracurricular activities. You can not claim you need virtual then turning around and are accessing extracurricular activities that is where covid spread is more likely. I'm very concerned that some board members do not fundamentally understand their fiduciary duties. I love Dr Bone's idea of offering partnerships and looking outside the box is brilliant. Public school does not work for everyone that is just the way it is. I also appreciate that Dr Bone acknowledges that when we are taking money from one child and redistributing it may create equity issues and acknowledging that the shoe is on the other foot for those that are now being told they may need to find other options. 4 Board members didn't care when people were willing to find other options last year. I'm growing tired of the childish, emotional outbursts by board members that seem to think we have unlimited tax money to throw around.

I stand by Mrs. Weston's stance that if it is offered it needs to be very limited in scope. The fact is that most of these families that are wanting virtual options are more based on fear and lack of vaccines under 12 versus the real need for virtual education. The comment about spread after receiving the vaccine is so rare that it does not warrant spending \$8K per person when we have so many educational gaps, emotional issues and so forth that were all very documented. Unfortunately, the district does have constraints and that is public education. That will not change in the near future. The community will adjust and be confident if the board and administration is confident in their plan.

I also want to be sure that the RRISD board is accounting for the increase in the homestead exemption that Williamson County and I think Travis County did for this year. I'm happy to send this link if needed.

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I'm also asking that each of you answer at least 3 reasons for hiring this candidate and at least 2 concerns. I have seen detailed responses from vessa, bone And Weston but nothing from Feller, weir or Jun. the response from jun was a question back to the email with zero information. I'm growing more and more concerned the board is making too many important decisions behind closed doors.

I would appreciate a response immediately as we are already 9 days into our 21 day waiting period.

Regards

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Subject: Fwd: Level 3 complaint
Date: Tue, 8 Jun 2021 17:40:55 -0500
From: Ricci Nelson <[REDACTED]>
To: Legal Services <legal_services@roundrockisd.org>, commissioner@tea.texas.gov, Complaints Management <complaintsmanagement@tea.texas.gov>, Tom Maynard <tom@maynardfortexas.com>, Amy Weir <amy_weir@roundrockisd.org>, Amber Feller <Amber_feller@roundrockisd.org>, Danielle Weston <danielle_weston@roundrockisd.org>, Jun Xiao <jun_xiao@roundrockisd.org>, Mary Bone <mary_bone@roundrockisd.org>, Cory Vessa <cory_vessa@roundrockisd.org>, Tiffanie Harrison <tiffanie_n_harrison@roundrockisd.org>
Message-ID: <CAPNj=J53qLagnvxfRtLtB5oiQ0tv_KyhCQgMjvooOJTF7=T0ig@mail.gmail.com>
MD5: 45a7fe81df38a436895cfddd99d6bfe6
Attachments: ROUND ROCK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DI.pdf

Please see attached Level 3 complaint to be considered ASAP

Here is the subtext in case you can't read the form (a fillable pdf would be very helpful).

On 5/21/21, the district announced the sole finalist of Dr. Azaiez. The next step is to spend a minimum of 21 days asking the sole finalist questions and engaging the public. AISD offered 3 townhall meetings for constituents while RRISD didn't even research the possibility of offering the same transparency. BOTB, Amy Weir, implied she did not even know if townhall was an option. So after multiple requests to the board, not one person asked the question on legality of an open forum. I reached out to every board member and Dr. Presley on 5/29 asking for a townhall to let the community and taxpayers meet Dr. Azaiez. I again asked the same group on 6/4. To date, this open forum has yet to be afforded to the community even after multiple requests from stakeholders and board members. I am requesting at least 1 open forum with the opportunity to ask questions to be afforded to the community prior to the contract being approved by the board. The taxpayers have a right to ask questions of our government and be involved in the process.

Subject: Thank you for contacting RRISD Board of Trustees. Rrisd parent fb page
Date: Thu, 21 Jan 2021 17:19:34 -0600
From: Ricci <[REDACTED]>
To: Board_of_Trustees@roundrockisd.org
Cc: Daniel Presley <daniel_presley@roundrockisd.org>
Message-ID: <3455DC34-8E27-4875-825F-912E8F3D1E98@gmail.com>
MD5: 452b9dce88be23914b51a93aa1eeb46e
Attachments: image0.png ; image1.png

I'm very concerned about a recent post and response on our class of 2021 fb page run by parents/volunteers and NOT moderated by rrisd. This is the post and this is the response from a Pta representative and rrisd employee. Although I agree with the concerns, I disagree with the censorship associated with this response and lack of rrisd official response which is needed to back up this statement. The post she is referring to speaks to issues with prom and also says project graduation is run by volunteers thus still continues. At no place does it indicate a private fb page was told by the district it could not discuss alternate plans.

As much as I am all for this initiative to have prom and 100% think with parent and community help, we can do it safely. I also find it imperative that rrisd address this statement and clarify it's intent as she stated it was a direct response from rrisd.

Regards
Ricci Nelson

Subject: March Open Meetings request
Date: Thu, 18 Mar 2021 13:20:55 -0500
From: Ricci Nelson <[REDACTED]>
To: legal_services@roundrockisd.org
Cc: Amy Weir <amy_weir@roundrockisd.org>, teafeedback@tea.texas.gov, commissioner@tea.texas.gov, Cory Vessa <cory_vessa@roundrockisd.org>, Complaints Management <complaintsmanagement@tea.texas.gov>, Daniel Presley <daniel_presley@roundrockisd.org>, Danielle Weston <danielle_weston@roundrockisd.org>, Jun Xiao <jun_xiao@roundrockisd.org>, Mandy Estes <mandy_estes@roundrockisd.org>, Mary Bone <mary_bone@roundrockisd.org>, Tiffanie Harrison <tiffanie_n_harrison@roundrockisd.org>, Tom Maynard <tom@maynardfortexas.com>, Amber Feller <Amber_feller@roundrockisd.org>
Message-ID: <CAPNj=J6z-d96Fg1YaSwa-erco81xXqJeE1PcjyHH4qsfEU=onw@mail.gmail.com>
MD5: 01c5f698f662f5639e7e9d6021157537
Attachments: RRISD level 1 open meeting.pdf

Please see attached as a request to open the March meeting to the public.--

Ricci Nelson
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Ricci Nelson – [REDACTED]
Level 1,2,or 3 – public complaint

3/12 – request to open the march meeting to the board of trustees and Dr. Presley

3/12 – response from Board President, Amy Weir, stating the goal of 4/15 for the public

3/12 – response from me asking why not the March meeting

3/12 – response from Danielle Weston stating she requested to know when the public would be allowed back into our meetings on March 4th

3/12 – response from President of the Board, Amy Weir, stating:

We just started discussing it after Trustee Weston asked on the 4th. Dr. Presley and his staff have to make sure all safety protocols are set up, not just for those attending our meeting, but for the student groups that are the gym space across the hall and sometimes in the foyer. The April meeting gives them time to do their job.

3/12 – my response

So let me understand. From 3/4 to 3/25 your well educated staff that is capable of solving problems quickly and effectively can not work this out. It's not like the board was unaware this was coming. I would like to understand why rrisd can't make this work with 3 weeks to prepare. There are a variety of alternate spaces for the meeting all across rrisd facilities and student groups to access. Rrisd board and staff has been working and most have been vaccinated. So again explain, why Dr Presley thinks he can not open these meetings in compliance with open government and open meetings by March 25.

3/14 – requested again my myself for clarification on why RRISD can not use the variety of public spaces in its purview to open the meetings while addressing Covid restrictions

These are the facts. RRISD has not presented to the public a clear plan to reopen public comments and meetings under the Open meetings act and act as a transparent arbiter of their sworn duties. RRISD operates a tremendous amount of facilities that would accommodate this request safely.

I am requesting that the Board of Directors direct Acting Superintendent Presley, to accommodate an open meeting for March in accordance with CDC guidelines just like they are asking their staff to do daily. RRISD board of trustees represent the tax payers and have a sworn duty to act on the best interests of the public.

Regards,
Ricci Nelson