

Sincerely,



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Do not waste money on a name change

1 message



To: commentonpetitions@dixieschooldistrict.org

Fri, Jan 25, 2019 at 9:25 PM

Dear Dixie School District,

I want all money that the school district gets to be spent on the students and their education. I do not want money wasted on lawyers and anything else that can be created to facilitate a name change. It is a waste of time and money. This should be the defense used against trouble makers that know this is Marin, a very progressive part of society, that includes everyone and strives to be fair to all people, sexes, disabilities, and religions. Stop this madness, it is being brought up by the same few people that have nothing better to do. I wish they would use their time more wisely trying to get more money and opportunities for the students. They are selfish and should go somewhere where there is a real racial problems and then perhaps they can do some real good. Stop this madness please.

Thank you for considering my opinion. It is just as important as the people wanting the name change. Do the Democratic thing and take a vote. Why do the few get to have such a loud voice. We are all equal.





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Community Must Vote on Name Change

1 message

[REDACTED]

Fri, Jan 25, 2019 at 6:58 PM

To: commentonpetitions@dixieschooldistrict.org

The only equitable way to decide this issue is to put it to a vote of all the people who live and pay taxes in the school district.



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Name Change

1 message

[REDACTED]
To: commentonpetitions@dixieschooldistrict.org

Fri, Jan 25, 2019 at 4:05 PM

To Whom it may concern,

Ya'll are wasting EVERYBODY's time with this name change hooley. Please get back to the business of running a school district.

Our school's can't operate a FULL curriculum without a serious ask from the parents. Apparently a very few minority has taken offense to the name Dixie. Grow the heck up and just look at his from a financial standpoint.

That few want to spend hundreds of thousands of dollars to change the name. This does not even come close to passing a common sense test! My youngest child is in 8th grade right now so I won't have to deal with this silly stuff much longer.

Stop this nonsense! Leave the name alone.

Warm Regards,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
San Rafael Office [REDACTED]

San Francisco Office [REDACTED]

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Dixie name change

1 message

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Fri, Jan 25, 2019 at 3:39 PM

To: commentonpetitions@dixieschooldistrict.org

Dear school board members & superintendent:

We support the We Are Dixie program. We have been residents of Marinwood for 54 years and have 3 children and 2 grandchildren who attended Dixie District schools. We respect the history of the district and believe the name should remain as it is.

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[REDACTED]



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Name Change - Dixie School District

1 message


To: commentonpetitions@dixieschooldistrict.org

Fri, Jan 25, 2019 at 2:14 PM

To the Dixie School District Board Members:

We respectfully request any consideration for a name change of the Dixie School District be left to our community in the form of an Advisory Ballot in 2020 as was previously decided 4-1 by the school board in November.

Noah Griffin, with his "Wake up call for Marin" Marin Voice piece, is a sad example for the children of Marin. Obviously parents have discussed the article and the name change issue; their children will pick up on the adult opinions. That's exactly how hatred and racism begins. Children are not born bullies or racists; they're taught, most often parroting what they hear at home.

Victor Reizman, parent in the Dixie District, sums it up perfectly: "Not a single child will receive any tangible benefit from a name change. However, our children will learn that if you stir up enough emotion, facts and logic will not matter."

Thank you for your service to the children of the school district. We respect the right of everyone to hold their own opinions, but feel it is crucial to this matter the discussion of a name change be fully weighed in by the people living in this community and not through political or media pressure.

Respectfully,


Bob Schellenberg


12120 Rydberg Road

San Rafael, CA 94903

cc: Mary Jane Burke, Superintendent, Marin County Schools

Mark Levine, Assemblyman

Damon Connolly, Marin County Supervisor

Gary Phillips, San Rafael Mayor

Jared Huffman, Congressman

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Preserve "Dixie"

1 message

[REDACTED]
To: commentonpetitions@dixieschooldistrict.org

Fri, Jan 25, 2019 at 9:31 AM

Dear Dixie Board members - you have got to "stay the course" and stick with your earlier action to let the Dixie family and tax payers decide what's right for us via an advisory ballot action. In my opinion, the arguments of the "Change" advocates ring hollow. We've been in the District 65 years with a number of black families as close neighbors. Never once had we heard that they were offended or were uncomfortable with the name.

- [REDACTED] Lower Lucas Valley

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Name change debate

1 message

[REDACTED]
To: commentonpetitions@dixieschooldistrict.org

Fri, Jan 25, 2019 at 9:23 AM

To all Dixie School District Trustees and Superintendent Yamashiro,

I remain adamantly opposed to the name change of our school district.

The process by which this entire fiasco began, with a Channel 7 news clip, was an insult to the district residents by all of those who took part in the ambush. This has been mishandled from day one, allowing for no civil discussion, no community involvement and no transparency whatsoever.

The residents of the Dixie School District deserve better. The entire process has become a media frenzy. Those seeking to change the name appear to thrive on cameras and coverage. It is apparent that the name change is only part of their agenda.

The entire "debate" should be shut down completely. Those wishing to change the name should be asked to start all over, with an open and transparent process that includes community input.

I further question the California Educational code that permits only 15 signatures on a petition to start a name change effort. This should change. I suggest you involve our state representatives, Marc Levine and Mike McGuire in changing the terms of that code.

I hope those we have elected to our board, and Mr. Yamashiro who was hired to represent the interests of the school and those who support it financially, will calmly assess where we now are and where we should be. This Change the Name effort has driven a wedge in a previously harmonious district, based largely on the process they chose to follow. Please intercede. Please help our communities to return to sanity and harmony.

Regards,

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San Rafael, CA 94903



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Dixie name

1 message

Glenda Smith [REDACTED]
To: commentonpetitions@dixieschooldistrict.org

Fri, Jan 25, 2019 at 8:44 AM

I really wish you'd work to let the Dixie name stay - or, at least, let the community, the people who live here, vote about it

I'm 78 yrs. old, moved here in 1975, both children went thru the Dixie schools, we never gave a thought to the name!

Thank you,

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Dixie Name Change

1 message

[REDACTED]

Fri, Jan 25, 2019 at 8:04 AM

To: "commentonpetitions@dixieschooldistrict.org" <commentonpetitions@dixieschooldistrict.org>

Cc: [REDACTED]

Dear Madams/Sirs of the Dixie School Board:

First and foremost, we want to thank you for your time and service to the Dixie Community. Your efforts are to be commended.

We have lived in the Dixie School District since the early 90's. Our children are now grown adults, but we as parents, love our community and feel our children had a great experience attending our schools. We feel very strongly that the current brouhaha over a proposed name change is "much ado about nothing". Shall we ban the word "Dixie" in the US? Davis, Lee, Washington, Jefferson? Where does it end?

We live in a very respectable and caring community and it is absurd that a few individuals both inside and outside our community have even brought up this issue. The focus in our community should be the education of our children and the health and well-being of our schools. It is a shame that all of the time, energy and potential legal fees that this situation has wasted. Furthermore, we feel sorry for you that have volunteered your valuable time to serve our community and you are being subjected to this circus.

That being said, we ask that the new board upholds the 4-1 decision that was made last November by seasoned board members to put this issue to an advisory ballot in 2020. Our community has a democratic right to a private vote without being subjected to external political or media coercion. We along with entire community will respect the result of a democratic process.

We are writing in lieu of attending the board meeting last week as we want to ensure that you can get back to dealing with the many real issues that are facing our children in our schools.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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