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Subject : Re: Bree Newsome and Policy 3535

Attachment : 21766627.jpg;

Dear ACS Board,

In case you missed this photo on social media, here is proof of Policy 3535 being used differently with respect to a white guest and a Black guest. State Senator Terry Van Duyn meeting with AMS students two years after her arrest at Moral Mondays protests.

This policy does nothing if it can be interpreted both ways. Of course in our world, it will be interpreted one way for those with privilege and a different way for those without privilege. This is not speculation—we have photographic proof.

I think this proof (and the media attention ACS is now drawing) warrants immediately suspending Policy 3535 until a fairly worded substitute can be formulated.

I also think it would be beautiful for the Asheville City School Board to extend a formal apology to Bree Newsome.

Sincerely,

Rik Schell