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Subject: Open, transparent, and full process for ACS Boards Vacancy

To the members of the Asheville City Council:

As many of us have been in the frenzy that is back-to-school, post virtual learning, I was disheartened to hear that our City Council quickly made a rash decision to replace a member of our ACS Board for a vacancy due to out-of-district housing.

While I was teaching 1st graders how to care for their Chromebooks, this morning at 10 am, a committee voted 2-1 to fill the vacancy with their preferred candidate without any process or public input whatsoever. City Council has put this proposal on their agenda for their meeting **right now**. The candidates ACAE endorsed (Pepi Acebo and Libby Kyles) were not considered.

As an employee of ACS for 16 years and parent of two ACS students, I have seen how our school board has a huge impact on my daily work life and would appreciate if educators were carefully considered by rejecting this proposal and conduct a full, open process to fill the vacancy. Please consider future meetings for public comment to occur when we are not busy teaching our students and supporting our staff.

Thank you,
Kimberly Nava Eggett