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Subject: Re: Asheville City School Board appointments on March 23rd

Councilwoman Roney,

I am writing today to share my thoughts on who would be good for appointing to the School Board. Though I know that there are three current Board Members being considered I do not support appointing all three to another term. I commented during the March 9th Council meeting that I felt that we have the time now to bring in some new energy and voices to the School Board. I originally supported Kate Fisher, Pepi Acebo and Libby Kyles. At this time, I do not think that the City Council will consider anyone that is not being interviewed by Council on the 23rd. Since there are only seven candidates being interviewed for the 3 positions, I will share from those seven who I support. I would support Jackie Carr McHargue, as a new voice and would support reappointing James Carter and Joyce Brown. I have observed School Board meetings and Joyce and James have had some very good questions and discussions.

I hope you consider that as we wait for the possible changes to how we form our Asheville City School Board, you consider making the change to the existing Board with the addition of Jackie Carr McHargue. I do not support a fully elected Board and feel that the appointment of some members is very important. I feel that these three will bring some new voices and energy to the Board.

Thank you for your consideration of my thoughts.

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