

State of Washington PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION

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September 16, 2024

Sent electronically to Gina Cooprider on behalf of Citizens for Support of Yelm Schools at <u>citizens4yelmschools@gmail.com</u>

Subject: Initial Hearing (Case Status Review) After Opening a Formal Investigation, Citizens for Support of Yelm Schools, PDC Case 158177

Dear Citizens for Support of Yelm Schools:

After conducting a preliminary review and assessment of the complaint filed on May 12, 2024, by Conner Edwards, the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) staff opened a formal investigation and held an Initial Hearing (also referred to as a Case Status Review), on Friday, September 13, 2024, pursuant to RCW 42.17A.755, and WACs 390-37-060 and 390-37-071.

At the hearing it was noted that the Initial Hearing (Case Status Review) is not an adjudicative proceeding, and that RCW 42.17A.755 provides PDC staff with additional tools to resolve complaints through the use of alternatives to full, formal adjudication, or referral to the Attorney General's Office, and I am encouraging you to work with staff on resolving this matter.

If you have questions, please contact Erick Agina, Compliance Officer, by replying to the email to which this letter is attached.

Sincerely,

/s/ Peter Frey Lavallee

Peter Frey Lavallee, Executive Director