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Subject: PDC Case 160558 regarding Citizens for Marysville Schools

Citizens for Marysville Schools:

The Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) completed its review of the complaint filed by Conner Edwards on August 14, 2024. The complaint alleged violations of RCW 42.17A.235 and RCW 42.17A.240 for failure to timely and accurately report contributions and expenditures.

Applicable Laws and Rules

Pursuant to [RCW 42.17A.235\(3\)\(a\)](#), each treasurer of a candidate or political committee is required to file a report on the tenth day of each month during which they are not participating in an election campaign only if the committee 1) received a contribution or made an expenditure in the preceding calendar month; and 2) either total contributions received or total expenditures made since the last such report exceed \$750.

Pursuant to [RCW 42.17A.240\(2\)](#), monetary contributions are disclosed on C-3 reports, which must include, but are not limited to: 1) the name and address of each person who contributed more than \$100 during the period covered by the report; 2) the monetary value and date of each contribution, except for the items specifically mentioned in subsection (2)(a) through (g); and 3) the aggregate value of all contributions received from each such person during the campaign. "Contribution," as defined, includes an in-kind contribution, which is disclosed on a C-4 report.

Background and Findings

- In 2020, the committee's treasurer of record, Dean Ledford, had personal health and family matters that kept him from performing treasurer duties.
- In 2020, the committee disbanded and became inactive.
- From 2020 through 2023, Citizens for Marysville Schools (CMS) was not actively fundraising or participating in election efforts.
- Despite this, Marysville School District (MSD) was sending payroll-deducted contributions to CMS through direct deposit until December 20, 2022.

- Payroll-deducted contributions from 2020 through 2022 from MSD to CMS totaled \$16,237.06.
- In 2022, CMS contributed its remaining funds of \$26,900 to Best Schools Marysville, a new committee participating in support of school bonds and levies.
- As of September 2023, CMS had a small balance of \$166. It contributed these funds to Best Schools Marysville to close out the bank account.

Summary and Resolution

You completed a Statement of Understanding (SOU) acknowledging violations of RCW 42.17A.235 and RCW 42.17A.240 for failure to timely and accurately report contributions and expenditures. The SOU resolves the allegations listed in this case.

Based on this information, the PDC has dismissed this matter in accordance with RCW 42.17A.755(1). If you have questions, contact Tabitha Townsend at 1-877-601-2828 or by e-mail at pdcc@pdcc.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Electronically signed by Tabitha Townsend

Tabitha Townsend
Compliance Officer

Endorsed by,

Electronically signed by Peter Frey Lavallee

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Executive Director

cc: Conner Edwards