

Subject: Fwd: Please Denounce the Unfounded Petition
From: Eric Bush <bushe@mokena159.org>
Date: 4/4/2024, 10:03 PM
To: School Board <schoolboard@mokena159.org>

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From: Mark Cohen <cohenm@mokena159.org>
Date: Tue, Apr 2, 2024 at 11:33 AM
Subject: Re: Please Denounce the Unfounded Petition
To: Kelli MacMillan <macmillank@mokena159.org>, Eric Bush <bushe@mokena159.org>

I agree that the policy isn't applicable. It is the only thing I know of though. Thanks.

On Tue, Apr 2, 2024 at 11:32 AM Kelli MacMillan <macmillank@mokena159.org> wrote:

Mark,

I'll report it now. That policy is not applicable at all to this scenario.

Thanks,
Kelli

On Tue, Apr 2, 2024 at 11:27 AM Mark Cohen <cohenm@mokena159.org> wrote:

Go ahead. Julie asked me about this earlier this morning. Policy 8:90 states that parent groups should have permission to use district logos. That said, the logo is not trademarked.

On Tue, Apr 2, 2024 at 11:17 AM Kelli MacMillan <macmillank@mokena159.org> wrote:

I assume as long as it's up it's not reported. I can try if you want me to?

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 2, 2024, at 11:16 AM, Mark Cohen <cohenm@mokena159.org> wrote:

I cannot access this website from my laptop; our web filter blocks it. Has anyone else reported it?

On Tue, Apr 2, 2024 at 11:02 AM Kelli MacMillan <macmillank@mokena159.org> wrote:

Can you please report this petition to Change.org for unauthorized use of our district logo?

Kelli

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From: **Amanda Montgomery** <amanda.montgomery8@gmail.com>

Date: Tue, Apr 2, 2024 at 9:54 AM

Subject: Please Denounce the Unfounded Petition

To: <SchoolBoard@mokena159.org>

Cc: Mark Cohen <cohenm@mokena159.org>

Hi Mokena 159 School Board Members,

I, unfortunately, am writing this email regarding a petition that is being circulated regarding the Mokena 159 school board.

The petition was started by "Mokena Community" and is requesting people sign for the removal off two current school board members. The signatures are not public, but the comments are. Comments are being made by people that are not in the district. In addition, citizens of neighboring towns are requesting people to sign the petition, even if they do not reside in our district.

Here is the petition:

<https://www.change.org/p/demand-the-removal-of-incompetent-school-board-members-in-mokena-il>

As you can see, the Mokena 159 logo is being utilized so it appears more "official", which is troubling.

I am requesting all board members denounce the petition. All of the board members were legally elected and should be afforded the rights of their office. In watching/attending the board meetings, I realize there is animosity. But we have to be better for our community and our students. I implore you all to publicly denounce the petition at the next board meeting and come as a united board.

Thank you,
Amanda Montgomery

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