

# **FRANKLIN-MCKINLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

## **RESOLUTION: CENSURE BOARD MEMBER MARC COOPER**

### **RESOLUTION No. 2023-36**

**WHEREAS**, The organization called, Informed Parents of Silicon Valley (IP-SV), expresses numerous pieces of misinformation including that the Franklin-McKinley Elementary School District teaches “Critical Race Theory” and inappropriate curriculum;

**WHEREAS**, A flier announcing a community meeting on September 7, 2023 at the Seven Trees Community Center displayed a photo of board member Marc Cooper, thus was perceived to be a representation that the Franklin-McKinley School District (FMSD) is co-sponsoring this meeting and/or the IP-SV organization;

**WHEREAS**, A flier announcing a community meeting on September 7, 2023 at the Seven Trees Community Center displayed a photo of board member Marc Cooper, thus was perceived that Cooper is a representative of the Franklin-McKinley School District;

**WHEREAS**, Board member Marc Cooper violated FMSD Board Policies and By-Laws (9010 and 9200) due to his conduct stated above;

**WHEREAS**, Informed Parents of Silicon Valley (IP-SV) wrongly claims that the Franklin-McKinley School District teaches “Comprehensive Sexual Education” curriculum in our schools (K-4 grades);

**WHEREAS**, Informed Parents of Silicon Valley (IP-SV), through its efforts and activism, violates the education code of the California Department of Education through its opposing position on diversity and inclusion;

**WHEREAS**, Informed Parents of Silicon Valley (IP-SV), through its efforts and activism, violates the education code of the California Department of Education through its opposing position on ethnic studies curriculum at all grade levels;

**WHEREAS**, Informed Parents of Silicon Valley (IP-SV), through its efforts and activism, violates the education code of the California Department of Education from its position on supporting anti-LGBTQ+ inclusion;

**WHEREAS**, The Franklin-McKinley School District passed a resolution opposing the banning of books at the FMSD Board meeting on May 23, 2023;

**WHEREAS**, The Franklin-McKinley School District passed a resolution in support of Pride Month and the LGBTQ+ community at the FMSD Board meeting on May 9, 2023;

**WHEREAS**, The Franklin-McKinley School District established a district committee called Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging (DEIB) through a board resolution on June 23, 2020;

**WHEREAS**, The Franklin-McKinley School District established a district committee called Ethic Studies Adoption through a board resolution on June 23, 2020;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:** That the Board does hereby censure, disavow and formally express its disapproval of Trustee Cooper’s conduct described above;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the Board does hereby request that Trustee Cooper accept and support the above initiatives voted and approved by the Board of the Franklin-McKinley School District;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the Board does hereby direct Trustee Cooper to comply with state law, Board Policy, Regulations, and Bylaws; and cease and desist from engaging in misrepresenting the school district's initiatives and curriculum;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the Board does hereby request Trustee Cooper consider submitting his resignation effective immediately from the FMSD Board of Trustees;


**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Franklin-McKinley School District Board of Education on this 12<sup>h</sup> day of September 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: 4

NOES: 1

ABSENT: 0

ABSTENTION: 0

  
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Rudy Rodriguez, President of the Board  
Board of Education