

## Monica Roque

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**From:** melissa moreno [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 25, 2020 5:23 PM  
**To:** DJUSD Board of Education  
**Subject:** Public Comment - Thanks and Applicants  
**Attachments:** Public Comment by Moreno.docx

**Categories:** Green category

### Public Comment:

Good evening Board Members. It is important to express gratitude to Trustee Cindy Pickett for serving DJUSD. Dr. Pickett brought a sense of hope and possibility of addressing student equity in our school communities. She listened to the pleas for supporting English language learners, Spanish language learners, Ethnic Studies education, and more. She showed outstanding leadership in calling for the much needed school closures at the beginning of this pandemic. Voice, leadership, and commitment were qualities that she expressed during her service. Of the candidates who have applied to fill her current position I am familiar with two who have similar qualities.

Hiram Jackson and Rachael Fulp-Cooke have been active educational leaders who have unconditionally served our school communities in addressing equity. They have focused on student achievement and are conscious of resource allocation. They know the importance of data driven decision with authentic parent and community input. In conclusion they are familiar with needs of students in this community, and we will be fortunate to have one of them serve as the next steward of DJUSD. May Dr. Pickett, Jackson, and Fulp Cooke continue to advocate fearlessly for students, especially the most marginalized, in this time in history.

**Melissa M. Moreno, Ph.D.**  
*Ethnic Studies Educator*  
*Cultural Exhibit Designer*

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**From:** Cecilia Greenwald [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 25, 2020 5:11 PM  
**To:** DJUSD Board of Education  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Public Comment - Trustee Picket and Candidates for Replacement

**Categories:** Green category

Good Evening School Board Members:

I want to thank School Board President Cindy Pickett for her commitment and service to our kids and our community. As a community collaborator Cindy will be greatly missed. Filling her shoes is no easy task, but fortunately we have excellent candidates that are well qualified.

The candidates that I wish to highlight are Rachael Fulp-Cooke and Hiram Jackson.

Rachael is a woman of color who is a sharp and principled parent volunteer and gets things done. At a challenging time with race relations in our community and communities across the U.S. she has the ability to bring people together to converse and share ideas even though the ideas may be different points of view.

Hiram Jackson is a long time parent volunteer and an advocate of the arts and music in particular. His gift to our community is Mariachi Puente where he brings children from different ethnicities together to learn mariachi music. It is through music that children find their similarities as opposed to their differences. At a challenging time like this I believe that Hiram has a unique gift that will serve the school board and the community.

As I mentioned earlier we have many qualified candidates, but these two particular candidates can serve an important role in our community and on the board, that is very important, especially at this time.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,  
Cecilia Escamilla-Greenwald  
Parent of three children in DJUSD  
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Matthew Tealdi [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 25, 2020 3:18 PM  
**To:** DJUSD Board of Education  
**Subject:** public comment: candidate Asmundson for trustee vacancy

**Categories:** Green category

Dear Members of the Board,

As a resident of Davis, I would like to express my support for Vigdis Asmundson in filling the vacant position on the DJUSD school board. I know Ms. Asmundson to be a long-time Davis resident, one who is highly engaged in the community and brings a deep passion for education. In knowing the diverse range of educational experiences that Ms. Asmundson brings, as well as her investment within the community and commitment to student success, I am confident in stating that the mission of the district aligns with her vision and priorities in education. I feel strongly that Ms. Asmundson is qualified for this role, and that her service on the DJUSD school board would be an asset to our district and community.

Sincerely,

Matthew Tealdi

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**From:** Stephanie Moore Tealdi [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 25, 2020 3:13 PM  
**To:** DJUSD Board of Education  
**Subject:** Public comment: candidate Asmundson for Trustee vacancy

**Categories:** Green category

Dear Members of the Board,

I am writing to you as a 30 year resident of Davis to express my support for Vigdis Asmundson to fill the vacant position on the DJUSD School Board. Ms. Asmundson has many years of experience as an educator in various roles, which include classroom teacher, teacher on special assignment, department chair, and most recently as a education program consultant with the California Department of Education. Ms. Asmundson is a long time Davis resident and is firmly committed and invested in the community of Davis. In the many years I have known Ms. Asmundson she has always proven to be someone who listens, asks questions, remains open minded, and is genuinely interested in learning more about a wide range of topics and actively seeks diverse viewpoints. Ms. Asmundson, herself a product of the DJUSD school system, exemplifies all the qualities outlined in the current DJUSD graduate profile. I feel that her ample experience as an educator and dedication to the community of Davis makes her an ideal and highly qualified addition to the DJUSD Board of Trustees.

Sincerely,  
Stephanie Moore-Tealdi

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**From:** Brian & Nicole [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 25, 2020 12:28 PM  
**To:** DJUSD Board of Education  
**Cc:** Brian & Nicole Gleason [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Public Comment supporting Rachael Fulp-Cooke for DJUSD School Board 2020  
**Attachments:** Rachael Fulp-Cooke -- DJUSD School Board 2020.pdf  
  
**Categories:** Green category

Good afternoon—

Please see our comment in support of Rachael Fulp-Cooke, attached.

Thanks & take care,  
B&N

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 25, 2020 12:19 PM  
**To:** DJUSD Board of Education  
**Subject:** Public Comment

**Categories:** Green category

Hello BOE,

I would like to urge you to choose Cathy Haskell to fill the School Board Trustee at-Large opening. Cathy is the right person to fill the position due to her expansive experience in working with and for the Davis Joint Unified School District. Especially in the times we find ourselves, Cathy has the specialized knowledge to truly grasp the challenges and understand the choices that we will be faced with in the fall. As a teacher, a former Davis Teacher's Association president, and as a resident of Davis, Cathy will provide vital insights that will help with decisions for training and implementation of distance learning and hybrid options for instruction. Cathy is committed to the best for Davis students, families, teachers, and staff. Please select Cathy to fill the Board's seat.

Thank you,

Susanne Britz

DJUSD teacher, retired

Davis resident

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

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**From:** Thomas Slabaugh II [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 25, 2020 12:16 PM  
**To:** DJUSD Board of Education  
**Cc:** Frank Thomsen; Victor Lagunes  
**Subject:** Censure of John Bowes

**Categories:** Green category

Dear Trustees,

I'm writing as a Davis resident and employee of the DJUSD. A recent series of emails from Maria Clayton and John Bowes are disturbing and likely illegal. I'm referring to the emails that state that anyone who is a DJUSD employee can not offer an endorsement of a political candidate, specifically one to fill the vacant position on the Board of Trustees.

I'm requesting the Board of Trustees to, at the very least, censure John Bowes for writing the following to all potential candidates, as well as directing Maria Clayton in the aforementioned action. This is clearly an illegal action, opening the district to possible litigation. This action is intended to have a chilling effect upon the employees of the DJUSD. In example, I provide the quotation I received from a candidate.

"I want to make sure everyone is aware of the Education Code and Board Policy governing the political activities of employees which prohibits employees from providing political endorsements or recommendations. Please review the email below and you may contact Public Information Officer with any questions. Looking forward to seeing everyone this evening."

Please enter this email into the public record.

Thomas Slabaugh II

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**From:** Megan Curione [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 25, 2020 10:43 AM  
**To:** DJUSD Board of Education  
**Subject:** Public comments for School Board Meeting tonight ( 6/25)  
  
**Categories:** Green category

Hello,

I am writing to the School Board to express my support for Rachael Fulp-Cooke's application for the open school board vacancy. I believe that she is highly qualified and would make a great addition to the school board. As a parent in the Davis Joint Unified School District, I believe that Rachael Fulp-Cooke will work towards creating a more inclusive environment for all students in the district. I think that she has the professional experience to tackle the current issues that DJUSD is facing.

Thank you for your time,  
Megan Curione

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**From:** Felisa Yang [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 25, 2020 9:37 AM  
**To:** DJUSD Board of Education  
**Subject:** Public comment re: vacancy on BoE

**Categories:** Green category

Dear DJUSD Board of Education,

I am writing to submit my public comment for tonight's meeting regarding the board vacancy left by Cindy Pickett. I have looked at the applications of the community members who are interested in serving on the Board. I am writing to support Rachel Fulp-Cooke. I've known Rachel as an acquaintance for about 7 years, because our daughters attended preschool together and we have mutual friends. In all of our interactions, I found Rachel to be intelligent and thoughtful. She cares deeply about and is committed to the Davis community and to the school district, as both a parent of a child in the district and as a community member. Additionally, her Master's degree in public health brings a much-needed perspective as the board works to figure out how schools will operate in the fall amid the Covid-19 pandemic.

Aside from her personal qualifications, Rachel also brings necessary diversity to the school board. As it stands, the entire board plus the Superintendent is composed of white men. Even though I believe this Board has done excellent work, I cannot stress enough that it does not reflect the larger community of Davis. Diversity is not just for the sake of diversity. Diversity brings a wider range of perspectives and lived experiences that will result in decisions and outcomes that will better serve the full range of children and families in our district. As a Black woman and mother, Rachel understands many of the issues that face our Black and Latinx families that my family--and many like ours--will never see or experience. We *\*need\** those lived experiences on our Board.

As I understand it, the BoE has the opportunity to appoint the person to fill Ms. Pickett's vacancy. I implore you to use this opportunity to appoint Rachel Fulp-Cooke to the Board. I believe that many of the applicants are qualified, but Rachel will bring the best "complete package" with her education, work experience, and personal experience.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Felisa Yang  
DJUSD employee and parent to 2 DJUSD students

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**From:** Leilani Barnett [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 25, 2020 9:09 AM  
**To:** DJUSD Board of Education  
**Subject:** Rachael Fulpe-Cook for School Board

**Categories:** Green category

I'm writing to encourage you to select Rachael Fulpe-Cook for school board. I'm a Davis resident and parent of kids at Pioneer Elementary School and Da Vinci Junior High School.

As a lesbian immigrant from Brazil, I feel there is more DJUSD can do to provide an inclusive and equitable community. I believe Rachael will be an effective thought-leader in helping DJUSD become a leader in education equity.

I've seen Rachael's work at Pioneer Elementary and she's an intelligent, thoughtful, uniting, and effective leader. If you believe in Black Lives Matter, please select Rachael!

Leilani Barnett  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Nancy Hafer [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 25, 2020 8:57 AM  
**To:** DJUSD Board of Education  
**Subject:** Board vacancy public comment for board meeting in support of Rachael Fulp-Cooke  
**Categories:** Green category

Dear DJUSD Board Members,

I am writing to provide my full and enthusiastic support for Rachael Fulp-Cooke to fill the vacancy on the DJUSD school board. I have known Rachael since our children started kindergarten together at Pioneer Elementary School and cannot think of another person in the Davis community more well-suited for this job. Her history of community service and involvement speak for itself and her list of accomplishments is long. I served alongside Rachael on the Pioneer Site Council and can attest that she believes strongly in public education and will be diligent in her efforts to serve the DJUSD community. And now, more than ever, we are called to action to ensure our public schools and systems are led by a diverse set of voices. Issues pertaining to inclusion and equity must be at the forefront of the DJUSD mission, and Rachael can and will take a strong lead in making sure these issues are addressed. As you can see by her application, her credentials stand alone, she is well qualified for this position. It is my hope that DJUSD accepts and welcomes a diversity of voices on it's leadership team and appoints Rachael Fulp-Cooke to this position.

Nancy Hafer

[REDACTED]  
Pioneer Elementary School Mom

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**From:** Pippin Brehler [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 24, 2020 9:00 PM  
**To:** DJUSD Board of Education  
**Subject:** Public comment Board meeting 6-25-2020 re Trustee Candidates

**Categories:** Green category

Dear President Pickett and Honorable Trustees,

I encourage you to elevate Ms. Fulp-Cooke to the vacancy on the School Board that will be left by President Pickett. We have known Ms. Fulp-Cooke for many years. She will be an effective Trustee, representing the best of Davis, as shown by her dedication to the Davis community, its children, and schools. She is eminently qualified, attuned to the challenges of overt and latent inequities, and has the expertise to effectively overcome these and other challenges of times to ensure all our students receive the best education possible.

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Best regards,

Pippin and Janice Brehler  
Davis

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**From:** Rachel Ehlers [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 24, 2020 3:10 PM  
**To:** DJUSD Board of Education  
**Subject:** Board vacancy public comment for board meeting tomorrow

**Categories:** Green category

Dear DJUSD board members,

I am the parent of two DJUSD students--a rising 9th grader at Harper Jr High and a rising 6th grader at Birch Lane. I am writing to express my strong support for Rachael Fulp-Cooke's application to fill the vacant trustee spot. Her commitment to supporting diverse groups of students and focusing on ensuring that all students have access to a high-quality education make her the best candidate to help advance the district's goals of providing inclusive and equitable services. The nation is facing a new and long-delayed awareness of the need to expand the representation of *all* voices at the table where decisions are made. Rachael's perspective will bring an important and necessary point of view to the board's deliberations. Moreover, her professional experience as a project manager and coalition builder will be helpful as the board faces the compounding challenges of managing a reduced budget, executing a new instructional model, and continuing to provide excellent educational opportunities for its student body. Rachael Fulp-Cooke's experience, perspective, expertise, and dedication make her the clear choice for helping the board achieve its goals in the coming months and years.

Thank you.

Rachel Ehlers

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**From:** Stacey Streuber [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 24, 2020 1:56 PM  
**To:** DJUSD Board of Education  
**Subject:** June 25 Board Meeting Public Comment in support of Vigdis Asmundson for trustee vacancy  
  
**Categories:** Green category

Dear Davis Board of Education,

I am writing in support of Vigdis Asmundson's appointment to the vacant trustee position on the Davis Board of Education.

Vigdis was educated in the DJUSD school system, attending Valley Oak Elementary, Emerson Junior High, and Davis High School, and has remained a part of this community. During her 19 years of experience as a teacher she has taught in Davis schools, at Title I schools, and internationally. She has extensive experience in leadership roles at the local school, district, and state level, including in her current position at the California Department of Education. Through her personal and professional life she has shown a passion for education and a desire to support teachers, parents, and students from diverse backgrounds to create the best learning environment for all our students.

I have known Vigdis for 25 years and she has become a trusted friend. We often discuss educational matters and she is always very patient and interested in how my children (6 and 9 years old) are doing in the DJUSD school district and most recently with distance learning. With her experience and expertise in education, she has excellent recommendations on how to navigate special needs services in the school district. My husband and I were very grateful for her advice when my son was experiencing trouble learning to read. She is also my "go-to" resource for educational philosophy and I believe she will be an excellent addition to the Board of Education.

I wholeheartedly support Vigdis's appointment and appreciate your time and consideration.

Stacey Brezing

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**From:** Matthew Tealdi  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 23, 2020 12:40 PM  
**To:** DJUSD Board of Education  
**Subject:** public comment - candidate Asmundson for trustee vacancy

**Categories:** Green category

Dear Members of the Board,

I am a Davis resident and teacher within the district and I would like to express my support for Vigdis Asmundson in filling the vacant position on the DJUSD school board. I know Ms. Asmundson to be a long-time Davis resident, one who is highly engaged in the community and brings a deep passion for education. In knowing the diverse range of educational experiences that Ms. Asmundson brings, as well as her investment within the community and commitment to student success, I am confident in stating that our mission as a district aligns with her vision and priorities in education. I feel strongly that her participation on the school board would be an asset to our district and community.

Sincerely,

Matthew Tealdi  
Pioneer Elementary - 4th Grade

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**From:** Edgar Wong-Chen [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 23, 2020 12:08 PM  
**To:** DJUSD Board of Education  
**Subject:** June 25 Board Meeting Public Comment in support of Vigdis Asmundson for trustee vacancy

**Categories:** Green category

Dear Davis Board of Education,

I am writing in support of Vigdis Asmundson's appointment to the vacant trustee position on the Davis Board of Education. As a current resident of Davis and someone who grew up here, the importance of education is extremely high on my list - as I am a parent of 2 young children beginning their tenure through the Davis School System. I attended St. James, WDE, WDI, Emerson, Davis High School and UC Davis. As a classmate, Vigdis was always a stellar student and compassionate individual. After college, her dedication to the local communities and working as a teacher has molded her into the dynamic person she is today. Her continued efforts in improving our education system at the state level has also given her a broader spectrum of what our educational system at a micro and macro level function in. My family moved back to Davis for the school system that the City of Davis has to offer. I sacrifice (before COVID) driving to the bay area everyday so that we could provide this acclaimed educational environment for our 2 children. The people that hold these key positions are thus entrusted with the responsibility of all of these young lives that they will influence. It is with all of this, that Vigdis has primed herself to be an amazing candidate for the trustee position.

I wholeheartedly support Vigdis's appointment and appreciate your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

***Edgar Wong-Chen***

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Member-Board of Directors

National Teen Leadership Program (NTLP)

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**From:** Stephanie Moore-Tealdi  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 23, 2020 11:55 AM  
**To:** DJUSD Board of Education  
**Subject:** public comment: candidate Asmundson for trustee vacancy

**Categories:** Green category

Dear Members of the Board,

I am writing to you not only as a DJUSD teacher but also as a 30 year resident of Davis to express my support for Vigdis Asmundson to fill the vacant position on the school board. Ms. Asmundson has many years of experience as an educator in various roles, which include classroom teacher, teacher on special assignment, department chair, and most recently as a education program consultant with the California Department of Education. Ms. Asmundson is a long time Davis resident and is firmly committed and invested in the city of Davis. In the many years I have known Ms. Asmundson she has always proven to be someone who listens, asks questions, remains open minded, and is genuinely interested in learning more about a wide range of topics. Ms. Asmundson, herself a product of the DJUSD school system, exemplifies all the qualities outlined in the current DJUSD graduate profile. I feel that her ample experience as an educator and dedication to the community of Davis makes her an ideal addition to the DJUSD Board of Trustees.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Moore-Tealdi  
Fourth Grade Teacher  
Patwin Elementary School  


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**From:** Martha S. West [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 23, 2020 1:21 AM  
**To:** DJUSD Board of Education  
**Subject:** public comment for June 25 Board meeting: supporting Vigdis Asmundson  
  
**Categories:** Green category

Dear Members of the Davis Board of Education,

I strongly support Vigdis Asmundson for appointment to the vacant position on the School Board.

Vigdis has had 19 years of experience as a teacher in a wide variety of school settings, and is now working for the California Department of Education developing educational programs. She will bring a unique viewpoint to the Board, that of a person with actual K-12 classroom experience, so helpful when the Board is faced with difficult decisions. Her broader perspective and insights into education are further enhanced by her years outside the United States, teaching in South Korea and Somaliland, as well as serving as a Peace Corps volunteer in Togo, West Africa.

Having grown up in Davis, she knows the school district well, and, I'm sure, has learned from her family the difficulties one may face when serving on the School Board. I am so delighted that she is willing to offer her gifts to the Davis community in this way.

With Cindy Pickett leaving the Board, it is very important to make sure there is at least one woman giving her input when the Board is making decisions. Vigdis will support teachers, parents, and students from diverse backgrounds to help ensure that we create the best learning environment for all students.

I enthusiastically support Vigdis Asmundson's appointment to the Davis School Board.

My best to you,

Marty West, former Davis School Board member

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**From:** Shannon Fuller [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 22, 2020 4:47 PM  
**To:** DJUSD Board of Education  
**Subject:** June 25 Board Meeting Public Comment in support of Vigdis Asmundson for trustee vacancy  
  
**Categories:** Green category

Dear DJUSD Board of Education,

I am writing in support of Vigdis Asmundson's appointment to the vacant trustee position on the Davis Board of Education. As a product of DJUSD schools, who has dedicated her professional life to teaching and the educational system, Vigdis is uniquely qualified to help guide the district and advocate for the Davis community.

I have known Vigdis for many years. Both growing up in Davis, we both played soccer. I was fortunate to have Vigdis as one of my soccer coaches, myself an elementary student and her a high school student. Vigdis has been involved in our community for many years. Since those days, I have witnessed Vigdis' dedication, commitment, and passion for education and her desire to support teachers, parents, and students from diverse backgrounds to create the best learning environment for all our students.

As a mother of three Davis children and a preschool teacher, I wholeheartedly support Vigdis's appointment to this position and appreciate your time and consideration.

Thank You,

Shannon Carter

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**From:** Susan Hawkins [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 22, 2020 8:29 AM  
**To:** DJUSD Board of Education  
**Subject:** Support for Vigdis Asmundsen appointment to DJUSD School Board

**Categories:** Green category

To: [boe@djusd.net](mailto:boe@djusd.net)

Subject: June 25 Board Meeting Public Comment in support of Vigdis Asmundson for trustee vacancy

Dear Davis Board of Education,

I am writing in support of Vigdis Asmundson's appointment to the vacant trustee position on the Davis Board of Education. I have known Vigdis personally for the past 30 years, since her days as a junior high student. In my positions as both a parent volunteer since 1983 and a school district employee (school nurse, health educator and health curriculum writer, 1990-2010) I believe I have some idea of what it takes for schools in Davis to succeed and for students in Davis to thrive.

Vigdis was educated in the DJUSD school system, attending Valley Oak Elementary, Emerson Junior High, and Davis High School, and has remained a part of this community. During her 19 years of experience as a teacher she has taught in Davis schools, at Title I schools, and internationally. She has extensive experience in leadership roles at the local school, district, and state level, including in her current position at the California Department of Education. Through her personal and professional life she has shown a passion for education and a desire to support teachers, parents, and students from diverse backgrounds to create the best learning environment for all our students.

I wholeheartedly support Vigdis's appointment and appreciate your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Susan Hawkins RN  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Ashley Muir Bruhn [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 19, 2020 10:25 AM  
**To:** DJUSD Board of Education  
**Subject:** June 25 Board Meeting Public Comment in support of Vigdis Asmundson for trustee vacancy

**Categories:** Green category

To the Davis Board of Education,

I am writing in support of Vigdis Asmundson's appointment to the vacant trustee position on the Davis Board of Education. Her passion for students and her commitment to Davis would be invaluable.

Vigdis brings 19 years of experience in the educational field—at the California Department of Education, most recently, but also as a teacher for Davis, at Title 1 schools, and internationally. She has extensive experience in leadership roles at the local school, district, and state level. Vigdis was educated in the DJUSD school system, attending Valley Oak Elementary, Emerson Junior High, and Davis High School, and has remained a part of this community—giving her a valuable perspective into our district.

Through her personal and professional life she has shown a passion for education and a desire to support teachers, parents, and students from diverse backgrounds to create the best learning environment for all our students. And as a friend, I have appreciated the open-minded perspectives she brings to the table—from all over the world and from her own backyard.

My husband is himself a DJUSD alum and we are now parents to students in the district. As invested members of the community, he and I wholeheartedly support Vigdis's appointment and appreciate your time and consideration.

Thank you,

Ashley Muir Bruhn

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**From:** Dianna Huculak [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 25, 2020 6:38 PM  
**To:** DJUSD Board of Education  
**Subject:** Public Comment in Support of Cathy Haskell

**Categories:** Green category

Dear Board Members,

As a community member, I urge to you appoint Cathy Haskell to fill the vacancy on the board. As a long time resident of Davis and a retired teacher, Cathy has devoted decades of her life to the well being of children in our community. Cathy has worked tirelessly to better the learning conditions of students across the city, serving on many committees at the district level, and has a broad knowledge of our district's budget and of our education system. She embodies our school community motto that everybody belongs in that her personal and working life demonstrates her commitment to promoting diversity and inclusivity at our schools. As a retired teacher, she understands the challenges that the district currently faces in promoting staff diversity, so that all students can see themselves and their experiences reflected in their teacher and school leaders, as well creating safe and inclusive learning environments for students in special education, students who have an interest in vocational education rather than university, and for students whose families are facing economic challenges. As Cathy is not only my former colleague, but my friend, I know that she not only has a heart for every student, but also the know how to promote change that is in intertest of every student in our district. Cathy has always led by example, inspiring and bringing others along with her, a practice that I am know that she will continue as a school board representative.

Sincerely,  
Dianna Stommel