



Engaging, Generous, Loyal

Richard Procee, father of 6 and local business owner, is known for his passion for people, his generosity and community involvement.

He serves on numerous local non-profit Boards and helps organize community events throughout the year.

Along with a solid foundation in educational basics – reading, writing and mathematics – and essential skills development, Richard is passionate about encouraging an entrepreneurial spirit in our youth.

His family operates Hofstede’s Country Barn, a local market with a reputation for its welcoming atmosphere, a gathering place for conversations, and employing many students and full-time staff.

In our community, a candidate’s position on SOGI 123 seems to have become the primary evaluator in determining his/her suitability for the Trustee role.

I see SOGI 123 as a major and complex initiative. It contains a wide range of initiatives covering a variety of topics, and to give a simple “yes” or “no” response to SOGI trivializes the entire conversation.

Our concern is that SOGI was brought in without adequate consultation or input from parents and their communities.

Nonetheless, dealing with safety and inclusion concerns are important.

Anti-bullying initiatives are needed in an age where far too many young people choose to end their lives – preferring death at their own hand to facing constant harassment from their peers.

Other topics within SOGI are more divisive and should be addressed directly by the parents and the communities those school districts serve.

Parental involvement is key to creating a learning environment where the values of all students are respected.

For more information on Richard’s policies and beliefs, watch the video on his Facebook page

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