## Watchmen Voter Guide for West Bonner County School District Zone #1

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	Alan Galloway	Margaret W. Hall
1. What is your name, what office are you running for and why are you running for this position?	Alan Galloway, candidate for WBCSD School Board Trustee, Zone 1.  I'm running to counter the destructive forces (outside and otherwise) that have taken root in the West Bonner County School District. My goals are to assist the school board in returning to accountability and good government, and most importantly to protect children from harm. Once protected, my goal is to ensure students are taught and nurtured in ways that enable them to think independently and become healthy and productive citizens.	No Response Received
2. How could your school district be improved? Please provide your top 2-3 ideas.	<ul> <li>complete the forensic audit</li> <li>will push for a return of school board meetings to the smaller district office, where crowds of unruly activists cannot disrupt order by physical intimidation</li> <li>ensure the use of quality curriculum devoid of CRT and other destructive propaganda.</li> </ul>	No Response Received
<b>3.</b> What is your educational philosophy and how do you plan to implement this philosophy as a member of the board of trustees?	Young students should be taught the basics (3 Rs) first. As they become proficient in those things and with a no-nonsense curriculum they'll develop the capacity to think critically using logic and reason. All teachers should make common sense common again. In short, critical thinking is the ultimate goal. I will be very selective in choosing a superintendent who shares these values.	No Response Received
<b>4.</b> What role should "Critical Race Theory" have in the education of children?	CRT is a destructive and racist idea in and of itself. It has no legitimate place in the education of children. The fact that CRT has gained a foothold in US schools is criminal and on the order of child abuse.	No Response Received
<b>5.</b> Would you support adding diversity, equity, and inclusion to the school curriculum? Why or why not?	No, I would not. Diversity, equity, and inclusion are fair-sounding buzz words but are a Trojan horse that conceals a nefarious agenda. I agree with Professors Dorian S. Abbot and Ivan Marinovic who in a Newsweek opinion piece (3-21-23) stated, "DEI ideology attacks three fundamental values of Western Culture: equality before the law, freedom of expression, and due process."	No Response Received
<b>6.</b> What is your view on the growth of Charter Schools?	I see the growth of Charter Schools as a good thing. I'm for school choice and competition in whatever form that takes. I want to lead West Bonner to excellence, and that requires competition.	No Response Received
<b>7.</b> Should children be allowed to access obscene materials through school libraries? Please base your answer on the federal definition of obscenity.	Obscenity is not protected under 1st amendment rights. The federal definition of obscenity includes "drawings, cartoons, or paintings that appear to depict minors engaging in sexual activity and are obscene are also illegal under federal law" (from justice.gov, Obscenity). The full definition falls under the "Miller Test." I'm 100% opposed to allowing these illegal and immoral obscene materials in school libraries.	No Response Received
<b>8.</b> Do you support or oppose bathroom and locker room usage based on preferred gender identification? Why or why not?	I'm opposed to all attempts to normalize transgenderism, boys in girl's bathrooms, boys in girls sports and locker rooms, "gender affirming care," and related absurdities. These are deviant ideas that all civilized societies recognize as evil.	No Response Received

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<b>9.</b> How should counselors work with parents to resolve issues with their children?	School counselors should notify parents before speaking to their child and include a parent or guardian in that counseling session. No counselor, teacher, principal, or superintendent should stand between a child and their parents.	No Response Received
<b>10.</b> What is your opinion on students being able to receive an abortion or change their gender without parental notification?	I'm opposed to abortion and initiation of transgender actions on anyone, especially students, and especially without parental notification concerning such serious matters.	No Response Received
<b>11.</b> Do you support the 1619 project? Why or why not?	I do not support the 1619 project. I see it as a cynical attempt by those bent on destroying the United States to hold every living American (of European descent) hostage to past sins that have since been redeemed and overcome.	No Response Received
<b>12.</b> In what circumstances should students be able to receive mental health assistance without parental notification?	Under no circumstances should students receive mental health assistance without parental notification andinvolvement.	No Response Received
13. Who has the responsibility for the education of children?	Parents ultimately are responsible for their children's education. They may choose homeschool, public school, charter school, or private school.	No Response Received
14. What should the goal of education be?	To teach students to think critically and independently, and to become healthy and productive citizens achieving their full potential as image-bearers of God.	No Response Received
<b>15.</b> Do you support or oppose the legalization of marijuana? Why or why not?	I oppose the legalization of marijuana except for medical use. Medical use should be strictly controlled.	No Response Received
<b>16.</b> What is your background and why do you feel it qualifies you for this position?	My life experience of 67 years as a father of four and a grandfather of thirteen is paramount. My service of 20 years in the Army as an Airborne Ranger and then in logistics as a Property Accounting Technician demonstrates leadership and technical expertise. As a 20 year independent trucker and now rancher with an 80 head beef cattle herd I've got practical experience and a connection to Priest River and the surrounding area.	No Response Received