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DECLARATION OF MELISSA MACKEDON

1. I am Melissa Mackedon, Vice Chair of the State Public Charter School Authority (SPCSA).

2. I have served on the board since 2011.

3. On March 29, 2017 I was in route to Las Vegas, Nevada for the scheduled Nevada Connections Academy hearing which was to be held March 30-April 1.

4. At the Reno Tahoe International Airport I encountered Member Jason Guinasso.

5. I do not recall all the specifics of our conversation as it was almost 6 weeks ago.

6. I do remember that I was unaware of the situation, that a motion to postpone the hearing had been filed; therefore, Member Guinasso told me about the motion that had been filed to postpone the hearing. He told me had been working with Deputy Attorney General Whitney and Deputy Attorney General Ott as well as associates of Mrs. Granier's to resolve the issue to everyone's satisfaction.

7. We discussed the possible inconvenience of having to reschedule to the parents and students of Nevada Connections Academy who were waiting for the results of the hearing.

8. We discussed the possible inconvenience of finding another consecutive three days in the near future that all seven board members could attend the hearing. All seven board members are busy professionals so finding three consecutive dates when all seven people could attend is a challenge.

9. We discussed, that from our perspective, at the very least, we needed to open the hearing, take public comment, which we thought would last an entire day, then go into recess until such time that Mrs. Granier was available.

10. I remember asking Member Guinasso why the other attorney who often appeared with Mrs. Granier could not take over. I was unsure of her name at that time. Member Guinasso stated that he was unsure, that he suspected the school wanted it to be Mrs. Granier because she was more familiar with the case.

11. I do not remember Member Guinasso saying anything about the school getting an injunction during any point in the conversation.

11. The majority of our conversation was "small talk" regarding Member Guinasso's home flooding and generalities about the legislative session.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on this 9 day of May 2017, in Fallon, NV.



Melissa Macedon

Vice Chair Nevada State Public

Charter School Authority