QUESTIONS FOR SCHOOL BOARD DIRECTORS

Moorlands Family Meeting | Monday, November 2, 2026

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Elisabeth Sotak

DISTRICT 2 | VICE PRESIDENT

PUBLIC COMMITMENT: 2023 campaign: Students first; listen to community voices; equitable program access.

QUESTION: Director Sotak, you campaigned on putting students' needs first, listening to community voices, and equitable access to programs. How will you measure the academic, social, and emotional impact of closing Moorlands, and what specific evidence or family feedback could lead you to support keeping it open?

Source: elisabethsotak.com



Carson Sanderson

DISTRICT 1

PUBLIC COMMITMENT: 2025 campaign: Consider choice programs in smaller schools; plan for enrollment shifts.

QUESTION: Director Sanderson, you proposed placing desirable choice programs in smaller schools to attract enrollment. Has that option been evaluated for Moorlands alongside boundary adjustments and other alternatives? Will you request a documented comparison of their enrollment effects, costs, and student impacts before deciding on closure?

Source: Ballotpedia • Candidate Connection 2025



Sandy Hayes

DISTRICT 4 | BOARD PRESIDENT

PUBLIC COMMITMENT: 2025 public statement: Balanced budget, financial reserves, student learning first.

QUESTION: President Hayes, you emphasized responsible finances and keeping student learning central to difficult budget decisions. Before voting to close Moorlands, will you require a public comparison of verified net savings—including transportation, transitions, staffing, and future facilities costs—against the cost and educational impact of keeping the school open?

Source: sandyhayesforschoolboard.wordpress.com



Dr. Robert Weir

DISTRICT 5 | APPOINTED 2026

PUBLIC COMMITMENT: 2026 appointment statement: Excellent education and support for every child to thrive.

QUESTION: Dr. Weir, you said every child deserves an excellent education and support to thrive. Given your mental and behavioral health background, what evidence should the Board consider about the developmental and emotional effects of school closure and disrupted relationships? How will those effects be weighed against projected financial benefits?

Source: NSD appointment announcement • Aug. 28, 2026



Hân Trần

DISTRICT 3

PUBLIC COMMITMENT: 2023 candidate statement: Student opportunity; supportive, inclusive education.

QUESTION: Director Trần, your candidate statement emphasized giving every student opportunities to thrive, and your public comments have stressed community participation. Will you support publishing the assumptions, financial tradeoffs, and student-impact analysis for each closure scenario—including a keep-Moorlands-open alternative—and explain how community input can change the final recommendation?

Source: King County 2023 candidate statement; 2024 interview

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District staff may lead this session; individual Board directors may not attend.

Ask that your question and the district's response be recorded and forwarded to all five directors.

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