

Respondent Names

Clover Park Citizens for Schools PAC

Complainant Name

Glen Morgan

Complaint Description

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Mon, 29 Apr 2024 at 4:32 PM

To whom it may concern,

It has come to my attention that the Clover Park Citizens for Schools PAC (2024) has egregiously violated Washington State's campaign finance laws (RCW 42.17A) for many years now. The details are as follows:

1) Concealment of thousands of expenditures and contributions through a variety of election cycles (Violation of RCW 42.17A.235, .240)

When reviewing this PAC it has become obvious that they have concealed the truth about their previous campaign activities for many years, only being forced to reveal the truth a few months ago. The voters and the public were denied access to this information, in many cases for more than 4 years now. While it is better that they finally came clean recently, this doesn't change the fact that this committee willfully concealed the truth from the voters and the public for so many years now.

The vast majority of their reported \$18,106 were reported years late and concealed from the voters and the public during the levy campaigns those funds were presumably spent. I will also point out that the mystery "starting balance" of \$17,903 can't be verified as to the original source of these funds either (See attached PDC C4 Report #110198531, attached for staff reference). In theory, this "starting balance" is based on a previous C4 amount from before, but since there is no way to verify this exists anywhere, this previous balance is unknown. There is no practical way for the public to verify this, but PDC staff can do so if they file a subpoena of the bank statements over these past years and see if anything matches.

This is just another case where the public has been kept in the dark for years by the activity of the previous actions of the people running this PAC and previous treasurers. Obviously, they decided to hire a real treasurer to clean up this mess, but these previous treasurers should also be held accountable for their willful failure to even pretend to comply with Washington State's campaign finance laws.

Let me know if you need anything else on this one.

Best Regards,

Glen Morgan

What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?

The truth was concealed from the voters and the public for at least four or more years by this PAC. Only waiting 4 years to tell the truth, is better than hiding it forever, but this recent exposure only highlights the clear illegal actions of the people involved in this PAC over the past years and there should be accountability for their actions.

List of attached evidence or contact information where evidence may be found

All the C3s and C4s filed were late, until the past couple. I've attached one for reference.

List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them

The current members of this PAC as well as the previous members and most importantly the previous treasurer who actively concealed everything from the public should be held accountable for this long-running illegal deception.

Certification (Complainant)

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that information provided with this complaint is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Schedule B: In-kind Contributions, Pledges, Orders, Debts and Obligations

1. IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED:

No in-kind contributions reported this period

2. PLEDGES RECEIVED BUT NOT YET PAID:

No pledges reported this period

3. ORDERS PLACED, DEBTS AND OBLIGATIONS:

First debt incurred	Recipient/Vendor	Balance owed (as of this reporting period)
01/15/2024	Express Signs 2012 112th St E #B , Tacoma, WA 98445	\$902.82
