School Board Chairman Robert Queen wins Re-election on 5-4 vote Was running unopposed for Chairman!!!??? Luke's Tie-Breaking Vote made while under the influence of Drugs!!??? Vice-Chairman Joel Shores wins re-election-also on split vote!!! Eyewitness report by Robert A

The December 12, 2022 School Board meeting was full of disagreement, turmoil, dissention. chaos and mayhem. Literally from start to finish. And on almost all occasions in-between. All this bad stuff actually started last March when Robert "Luke" Queen, Ron Humphries, Joel Shores, Dennis Bailey, Kevin Whisnant, David Allen, Pam Keller, Wes Westmoreland, Guy Smith, Hayden Soloway and other Rogue Republicans planned a dirty scheme to recruit enough Republican candidates to defeat Danny Blanton in the 2022 Republican School Board Primary Elections.

Much has already been reported regarding these initial Dennis Bailey, Robert Queen and Kevin Whisnant dirty schemes that totally failed. Then the General Election Dirty Tricks that

included the Rogue Republicans urging Republican voters to vote for two Democrats to defeat Danny Blanton and Ronnie Grigg in the November 8, 2022 General Elections. Which also failed by a very, verv, very large margin.

In the end, Republicans Danny Blanton, Ronnie Grigg, Aaron Bridges and Walter Scott Spurling won election to the School Board in the 2022 Elections. Leaving Dr. Danny Blanton as the Senior and most experienced School Board member of not only the newest elected board members, but also Robert "Luke" Queen, Ron Humphries, Joel Shores, Greg Taylor and Rodney Fitch. Blanton's Nine years' experience on the School Board is just one-year shy of the TOTAL of ALL the other eight School Board members COMBINED. Which should have translated in Blanton becoming the Chairman or Vice Chairman. But the Robert Queen and company dirty tricks were still not over.

Now, fast forward to December 9, 2022.

Walter Scott Spurling, newly elected and Robert Queen recruited, had sometime beforehand scheduled a knee replacement surgery for December 12, 2022. The very day of the scheduled school board meeting when newly elected and re-elected school Board members were to be sworn-in to office at 5:00PM. So, Chairman Luke Queen, always the schemer, hurriedly arranged for Walter Scott Spurling to be sworn in on Friday, December 9, 2022. Without announcing a special meeting or informing the public.

So, Walter Scott Spurling has his knee replacement surgery on Monday, December 12, 2022. Which requires being put to sleep

with a strong anesthesia and morphine (or even Fentanyl) to kill the pain during surgery. Spurling goes through the surgery and Queen arranges for CCS to provide a communications link between the School Board Meeting place and Walter Scott Spurling. Either still at the hospital in the recovery room or at home in bed. It is normal for such knee surgery to include a 7 to 10-day prescription for a narcotic painkilling drug. It is also normal for most patients of knee replacement surgery to begin taking that narcotic painkilling drug just as soon as the original dose of painkilling medication wears off.

So, now we are at the School Board meeting at 5:00 PM and the swearing in of Danny Blanton, Ronnie Grigg and Aaron Bridges. Everybody has now been sworn in and it is time to elect School Board officers. Chairman and Vice-Chairman. Supt. Stephen Fisher takes over running the meeting from Luke Queen and the nominations for Chairman get started.

Ron Humphries is nominated, but instantly declines to serve as chairman. Then Robert Queen is nominated for Chairman. Nobody else is nominated and Robert Luke Queen is now running for Chairman unopposed.

The vote is taken, Robert Queen votes for himself. Ron Humphries, Joel Shores and Greg Taylor vote for Robert Queen. Rodney Fitch, Ronnie Grigg, Aaron Bridges and Danny Blanton vote against Robert Queen. It is a 4-4 tie vote. Fisher asks Walter Scott Spurling, through the communications link for his vote. In a drugged-up sounding voice, Walter Scott Spurling votes FOR Robert Queen.

Fisher then declares the unopposed candidate for Chairman, Robert Queen as the newly elected Chairman by a 5-4 vote.

Then, Robert Queen takes over as chairman and declares the nominations for Vice Chairman open for nomination. Danny Blanton and Joel Shores are nominated. Aaron Bridges, Ronnie Grigg and Danny Blanton vote for Danny Blanton. Shores questions Aaron Bridges' vote and Bridges changes his vote from Danny Blanton to Joel Shores.

Joel Shores, Ron Humphries, Greg Taylor, Robert Queen, Rodney Fitch and now Aaron Bridges vote for Joel Shores. Ronnie Grigg and Danny Blanton vote for Danny Blanton.

Then Robert Queen asks Walter Scott Spurling for his vote and there was no immediate answer. Queen again asks Spurling for his vote and again a drugged -up sounding voice says Joel Shores. Joel Shores is announced the re-elected vice-chairman.

Then Robert Queen goes back to the other items on the agenda. Several other times during the meeting when votes were required, Walter Scott Spurling has to be asked several times for his vote, and every time Spurling answers, his voice sounds like he had been asleep or drugged up and had to be awakened.

Other parts of the meeting will be addressed in another article. Except for the very last item. School Board Member Remarks.

Danny Blanton and Ronnie Grigg both gave rousing remarks reaffirming their election commitments fairly represent the CCS Students, Parents, Staff, teachers, taxpayers and especially the citizens of Cleveland County that had voted them into this office. **Robert A** recommends every person in Cleveland County tune in to the CCS School Board Video and scroll over to the very end of the meeting. Blanton and Grigg emphatically restated their campaign promises. The other school Board members either didn't have anything to say. And those that did urged the School Board to "come together." Meaning they wanted Danny Blanton and Ronnie Grigg to forget about the students, parents, taxpayers and citizens and vote along with them. Anybody that watches the video will be convince that Danny Blanton and Ronnie Grigg will never forsake the students, parents and citizens of Cleveland Count for just the sake of getting along with the likes of Robert Queen and his cabal of schemers and dirty tricksters.

Now folks, Let's consider this. Was Walter Scott Spurling, fresh from a Hospital operating room and obviously still drugged up and with diminished mental capacity legally allowed to cast a vote for anything that is legally binding on the citizens of Cleveland County while under the conditions that he was obviously in. Walter Scott Spurling was clearly under the influence of painkiller opioid type drugs and should NEVER been hooked up to any communication links connected to any official meeting of the School Board and asked to cast the deciding vote on anything. Much less a tie breaking vote that would decide who was the newly elected Chairman of the School Board. Or vote on anything related to spending taxpayer's hard-earned money.

Another thought is this. Should Robert Queen, Stephen Fisher and anybody else that participated in this scheme be allowed to serve for even one more minute in any capacity at CCS??? Much less leadership positions such as Chairman of the School Board or Superintendent???

Tim Moore, Kelly Hastings and Ted Alexander, where are you when the people of Cleveland County need your services. If there are no laws to prevent shenanigans such as this, then pass those laws immediately. If not sooner. Along with the methods of removing those offenders from OFFICE. WE are all watching you!!!

Stay Tuned folks. This ain't over 'til it's over.