Dear Board of Health Reviewers:

My wife has convinced me that this meeting is not a sham exercise and that you are actually going to read and consider the comments in my letter - I hope so :)

My background is that I am a board certified Medical Doctor that attended UNR and completed medical school at UNR - specifically University of Nevada School of Medicine.

My daughter is now attending UNR and is in her senior year.

Before becoming a doctor, I was in the military and was the Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge of the immunizations for the military clinic. Once I finished medical school, I attended the Flight Surgeon Military School in Texas which included an epidemiology portion, so I am well versed in both immunizations and epidemiology.

I have followed the progress of this pathogen in the news and with my colleague's 'inside' knowledge, not seen in the press.

I have received the vaccine based on my age, exposure and underlying health history but I am OPPOSED to having the school system force the vaccine on students.

As a physician, I am certain that the decision to take the risk of getting a vaccine that is under emergency use authorization (ie not FDA approved) should be made by the STUDENT AND THEIR PHYSICIAN considering the student's underlying health and risk factors.

It should not be made by their school!

My friend (a doctor) died of the vaccine - NOT COVID.

What you should understand is that everything has a risk and benefit.

The vaccine is not risk free.

If you actually want to have a discussion with me to learn more about my background and the rationale for my viewpoint, please contact me on my personal cell phone