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THE COURT: All right, we continue with Mr. Harvey's cross-examination, or questioning on cross.

DIRECT EXAMINATION AS ON CROSS (cont'd.)
BY MR. HARVEY:

- Q. Mr. Buckingham, sometime in the morning session you testified that the board deviated from its normal practice of having a subject covered at a planning meeting before voting at an action meeting, and they did that with respect to the October 18th resolution because the issue was so important. Do you remember giving that testimony?
 - A. Yes.

- Q. And tell me if you'll agree with me that the issue was so important because of the importance of having the students hear about an alternative to evolution so they wouldn't accept it as a fact. That was what was so important. Isn't that right?
- A. It was important because a lot of work had been done along this process by the entire board, and I felt that the entire board should be present when we vote on it.
- Q. But you said it was the issue that was important. Right?
 - A. Well, the issue is part of the process.

- Q. And the issue that you felt was so important was having students presented with an alternative to evolution so they wouldn't accept evolution as a fact.

 Isn't that correct?
 - A. I don't believe I said they wouldn't accept it as a fact. I don't believe I said those words.

 You can correct me if I'm wrong.
 - Q. Well, I'm asking you, the issue that was so important for you was having an alternative presented to evolution. Right?
 - A. The issue that was so important was the alternative, the scientific theory of intelligent design. It was a big vote, and I wanted the whole board there, if we could do that. And that was the one time we could be reasonably certain we'd all be there.
 - Q. And it was important because you wanted an alternative presented to evolution. Correct?
 - A. Yes.

- Q. And you were concerned that if the students didn't have an alternative presented to evolution, they might accept the correctness of the theory of evolution. Correct?
- A. They might accept it as fact along with all its flaws and faults.

- Q. Now, also this morning you testified that
 every time the reporters, in their reporting on the
 June board meetings, said that the board was talking
 about creationism, the board was actually discussing
 about -- discussing intelligent design and the
 reporters just had it mixed up. Do you remember
 giving that testimony?
 - A. I don't know if they had it mixed up or did it on purpose, but that's how it happened.
 - Q. But at your deposition on March 31st, you said that you didn't know when the subject of intelligent design came up. Isn't that right?
 - A. I would have to see the deposition.
 - Q. Well, please turn to your March 31st deposition at Page 44.
 - A. I'm sorry, 44?
 - Q. Yes.

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- A. I'm there.
- 19 Question -- this is approximately -- Line 0. 20 11. Question: I'm just trying to use -- trying to 21 have some markers to help refresh your recollection. 22 During these course of events, when did intelligent 23 design come up? Did it come up in the early June 24 meeting, or you just have no memory whatsoever? 25 Answer: I don't know when it came up. I can't tell

1 you. That was your testimony then. Right?

- A. I wasn't sure which meeting we were talking about.
- Q. But it's your testimony now that you don't know when the subject of intelligent design came up. Isn't that correct?
- A. The subject of intelligent design came up during the curriculum board meetings prior to that.
- Q. Are you saying that it came up in June of 2004, at those board meetings?
 - A. I'm talking about curriculum meetings.
 - Q. You're not talking about the board meetings?
 - A. I'm talking about curriculum meetings.
- Q. So you're saying that the subject of -- but tell me this, did the subject of intelligent design come up at the board meetings in June of 2004?
 - A. Yes.

- Q. But we just looked at testimony in which you said you don't remember when it came up. Isn't that correct?
- A. I wasn't sure of the dates. I was having trouble with dates back then because I had the problem I was dealing with with Oxycontin, and it was close proximity to the time I was at the Caron Foundation.

 I was still dealing with withdrawal from the

- Q. And you said you didn't remember. Do you remember that?
 - A. I didn't remember seconding it, no.
 - Q. I'm going to show you what's been marked as P821. I'll give you a copy of it, and I'll ask Matt to bring it up.

7 MR. HARVEY: May I approach, Your Honor? 8 THE COURT: You may.

BY MR. HARVEY:

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- Q. Mr. Buckingham, I've just handed you what's been marked as P821. It's the minutes of a school board meeting of the Dover Area School District that was held on February 14th. That's correct, isn't it?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And if you look at the second item on the first page under Board President's Communication -- do you see that?
 - A. Um-hum.
- Q. Do you see that that says that you were the one who seconded the motion to approve the newsletter?
- A. Okay, they're talking about mailing the newsletter. I don't know that I ever approved the newsletter itself.
- Q. I see. So you just seconded the motion to mail the newsletter. Right?

- A. The newsletter was shown to us. We saw it.

 And it was to be mailed out, and we voted to do that.
 - Q. And you seconded that?
 - A. And I did second that, yes.
 - Q. Now, before the lunch break we were talking about the Discovery Institute and your communications with the Discovery Institute. Do you remember that?
 - A. Yes, I do.
 - Q. And we talked about a conversation that you had with Seth Cooper. Do you recall that?
 - A. Yes.

- Q. And we actually talked about you spoke to Mr. Cooper on several occasions, and we focused for a few minutes on the very first conversation that you had with Mr. Cooper. Correct?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And it was after that call with Mr. Cooper that he sent you the videotape and the DVD and maybe a book. Do you remember that?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Now, I just want to place the time of that first meeting -- excuse me, telephone call with Mr. Cooper of the Discovery Institute. That was in June of 2004 or earlier. Isn't that true?
- A. I believe so.

- Q. Because, in fact, you shared the DVD with
 the science department, and that was discussed in June
 with the schoolteachers. Correct?
 - A. I'm not sure. I'm not sure. I know it was discussed with the teachers, but I'm not sure of the exact time when it was.
 - Q. Well, you remember that you shared the DVD or the video with the schoolteachers in or before June of 2004. Correct?
 - A. I gave it to Dr. Nilsen, and he forwarded it on to the science department.
 - Q. But that was --
- 13 A. Yes.

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- Q. -- in or before June. Right?
- 15 A. Yes.
 - Q. And that was the DVD or video that you got from the Discovery Institute. Correct?
- 18 A. Yes.
 - Q. So that means that your conversation with Mr. Cooper must have been in or before June of 2004.

 Isn't that correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
 - Q. Now, I'd like to talk to you about the

 Thomas More Law Center for just a couple minutes.

 Unlike the Discovery Institute, which contacted you,

1 you contacted the Thomas More Law Center. Correct?

A. Yes, I did.

- Q. And do you recall when that call was made?
- A. No, I don't.
- Q. Well, let's see if we can place the time of that. Thomas More Law Center were the people who first told you about the textbook *Of Pandas and People*. True?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And you knew about the textbook *Of Pandas* and *People* in late July of 2005. Isn't that correct?
 - A. Yeah, that would be true. That's this year.
- Q. I just misspoke, I could hear from the whisperings of counsel behind me. I said late July of -- I meant to say late July of 2004.
 - A. Yes.
- Q. So since you knew about the textbook Of Pandas and People in late July of 2004, that means that you must have spoken to the Thomas More Law Center before then. Isn't that correct?
 - A. I'm not sure when I spoke to them.
- Q. Well, you told us earlier that you learned about the textbook *Pandas* from the Thomas More Law Center.
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Correct?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And you clearly knew about the textbook
- 4 Pandas in late July of 2004. Correct?
- 5 A. Yes.
- Q. And so you must have spoken to the Thomas
- 7 More Law Center before then. Right?
- 8 A. Okay.
- 9 Q. And the person you spoke to at the Thomas
- 10 More Law Center was Richard Thompson?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And all of your calls were with
- 13 Mr. Thompson?
- 14 A. Yes.
- Q. And your purpose in calling Thomas More was
- 16 to seek legal advice?
- 17 A. Yes.
- Q. And you had no other purpose. Correct?
- 19 A. That's true.
- Q. And, in fact, you did receive legal advice
- 21 from the Thomas More Law Center?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. And you did not receive any other advice,
- correct, nothing other than legal advice?
- 25 A. I didn't hear what you said.

Q. You received no advice from the Thomas More
Law Center other than legal advice. Isn't that true?

A. Except for them letting me know that the book --

MR. GILLEN: Excuse me, Your Honor, objection. May I just -- for the witness's benefit, may I make clear that he shouldn't disclose any legal communications in his testimony so he doesn't waive any privilege. And forgive me, Steve, for interrupting you. I just want to make sure that he observes the line.

MR. HARVEY: Your Honor, they have asserted the privilege, and we're not challenging the privilege.

THE COURT: Well, as the privilege related to the communications with counsel for the Discovery Institute, as I understood it, there was a claim that it was so inextricably intertwined that you couldn't get into any of the nonlegal advice. Now, what's your intention here?

MR. HARVEY: Your Honor, I intend to establish that the only advice that they got was legal advice and that they wouldn't let us discover any of their communications except for the fact that he got -- he learned of *Pandas*.

- THE COURT: So you're offering it for the same purpose?
- MR. HARVEY: Yes, Your Honor.
- MR. GILLEN: And I withdraw the objection
 then. I didn't mean to slight Steve. I just wanted
- 6 to make that clear.
- THE COURT: No, I understand that. And I think in terms of any spontaneous answer that you think gets to or gets into the privilege, you can renew that, or I'll stop the witness at that point.
- 11 So you can proceed.
- MR. GILLEN: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 13 BY MR. HARVEY:
- Q. Just to be clear, Mr. Buckingham, as we've already established, as we've already established, you learned about the book *Pandas* from Thomas More Law Center. Right?
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- Q. And other than that, the only other advice that you got from the Thomas More Law Center was legal advice. Correct?
 - A. That's true.
- Q. And you told the board that you had been in contact with the Thomas More Law Center and that it would represent the board if the board were sued.

1 Isn't that true?

- A. I don't know that I used those words. I told them that the Thomas More Law Center agreed to assist us free of charge in the event we needed their assistance in this matter.
- Q. And somewhere early in the process in your conversations with Thomas More Law Center, they told you that they would represent the board if it got sued. Isn't that true?
- A. Again, they told me they would give us legal help if it became necessary free of charge. I don't know if "got sued" was used.
- Q. Okay. And you accepted the offer from the Thomas More Law Center on behalf of the board. Isn't that true?
 - A. I gave -- yes, yes.
- Q. Now, that occurred -- your acceptance of the offer of assistance from the Thomas More Law Center, that occurred very early on in your conversations with the Thomas More Law Center?
 - A. Yes, it did.
- Q. And then later, in December of 2004, the Thomas More Law Center was formally engaged to be the counsel for the board in this litigation. Correct?
 - A. What time frame did you give us?

1 Q. I said December, 2004.

- A. December of 2004 I wasn't there.
- Q. Right, but you know that the board formally engaged the Thomas More Law Center to assist in this litigation in December, 2004. Even though you weren't at that meeting, you knew that. Right?
- A. I knew it was formally engaged. I didn't know exactly when because I wasn't at any of the meetings in December.
- Q. And between the time that you first talked to Thomas More Law Center and the time the Thomas More Law Center was formally engaged, you talked to them approximately four to five times?
 - A. Are you saying 45 or four to five?
 - Q. I meant four to five times.
- A. I'm not sure how many times I talked to them.
- Q. Well, why don't you -- let me ask you a separate question. Between the first time that you talked to Thomas More Law Center and October 18th, how many times did you talk to Thomas More Law Center?
 - A. Don't know.
 - Q. It was at least several times. Correct?
- A. I don't know.
 - Q. Well, you said at your deposition that you

- 1 talked to them two to four times prior to
 2 October 18th. Do you recall that?
- A. No, I don't.

- Q. Well, take a look at Page 120 of your January 3rd deposition.
 - A. I'm there.
- Q. And if you look at Page 120, Line 19,

 Question: How many times prior to October 18th did

 you talk to anyone from the Thomas More Law Center?

 And then there was an objection. And the answer:

 Maybe two, three, three times, maybe four. Do you see that?
- A. Again, I wasn't sure there either. That's why I answered it that way.
 - Q. But it was two or more times. Correct?
 - A. I'm not sure.
- Q. And all the calls and all the communications that you had with Thomas More Law Center were about -- were all about seeking legal advice. Correct?
 - A. That's true.
 - Q. And you didn't get any other kind of advice?
- 22 A. No, sir.
 - Q. And, in fact, your attorneys from the Thomas

 More Law Center prevented the plaintiffs in this case

 from discovering the substance of the communications

- that you and the board had with Thomas More Law Center
 by asserting the attorney-client privilege. Do you
 recall that?
 - A. Yes.

- Q. Okay. Let's just shift to another subject now, Mr. Buckingham. You don't recall, as we just established a few minutes ago, when the subject of intelligent design first came up. Correct?
 - A. At all?
- Q. No, with respect to the board and the process that we're talking about today.
- A. Well, the process includes the curriculum committee, and that would have been in, I guess, the spring of 2004.
- Q. So it's your testimony today that it did come up in the curriculum committee in the spring of 2004?
 - A. I'm just guessing. I don't know.
- Q. You don't know. And you yourself looked into the subject of intelligent design in the summer of 2004. Correct?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And the curriculum committee didn't look into it, you looked into it. Isn't that true?
 - A. I was on the curriculum committee.

- 1 Q. Right, but the curriculum committee as a 2 whole didn't look into it, you personally looked into 3 it. Isn't that true?
 - I don't know if they did or not. I know I did.
 - Well, let's just look at the transcript of Q. your deposition on January 3rd. You told me -- well, let's go to Page 68 of that deposition. Are you at that page?
 - Page 60, yes, sir. Α.
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- Α. 68. I'm there.
- 13 Q. And we're talking -- the subject is 14 intelligent design, and I asked you on Line 8, Well, 15 you were on the curriculum committee in the summer of 16 2004? Answer: Yes. And the curriculum committee 17 looked at it, didn't they? Answer: I won't say the 18 curriculum committee did. I did. Do you see that?
 - Α. Yes.
 - So that's what you told us on January the 3rd. Right?
- 22 That's what I said. And if I could clarify Α. 23 my answer, when you talk about curriculum committee, 24 I'm thinking you're talking about the committee as a whole at one time, not individual members of the

- 1 curriculum committee doing it at their leisure.
 - Q. Well, all you know about is what you did at your leisure?
 - A. That's true.
 - Q. And let's talk about what you did. You looked at the subject of intelligent design on the computer. Correct?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. You went to some Web sites?
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- Q. You don't remember what Web sites you went to?
- A. No. Wherever the computer took me.
- Q. And you ended up discussing the subject with Thomas More Law Center. And I don't want to get into the substance of that, but you ended up discussing it with Thomas More Law Center. Right?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And you also talked to the Discovery
 Institute about intelligent design. Correct?
 - A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And, again, I don't want to get into the
 23 substance of that, but both of those, Thomas More and
 24 Discovery Institute, that was legal advice about
 25 intelligent design. Right?

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- Q. And you also got yourself a copy of Of

 Pandas and People. Right?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. You ordered that from the Internet?
- A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And you spent some time glancing through it.

8 Correct?

- A. A minimal amount of time, yes.
- Q. Right. You didn't read it?
- 11 A. Right.
- Q. You just flipped through the pages to see if there were any religious references in there.
- 14 Correct?
- 15 A. I won't say that. I just flipped through
 16 the pages to try to get a general idea of what the
 17 content of the text was. I wasn't looking for
 18 anything religious in it.
- Q. Well, that's not what you told us at your deposition. If you go to the March 31st deposition at Page 18.
 - A. I'm there.
- Q. Are you at Page 18, Mr. Buckingham?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. I asked -- Mr. Rothschild asked you on Line

1 9, Question: Did you feel, when you reviewed Pandas, you understood it? Answer: I didn't attempt to 2 understand it fully. I wanted to make sure it didn't 3 4 have a religious overtone. Question: How did you go 5 about doing that? Answer: By reading it. Question: 6 Did you read it cover to cover? Answer: I didn't 7 read every single page. I skimmed through it. I looked for key words, that kind of thing. Question: 8 9 What kind of key words were you looking for? Answer: 10 God, Christianity, Bible, Creation. It wasn't there.

Do you remember giving that testimony?

- A. That's true, I wanted to make sure it wasn't there.
- Q. And the things that we just talked about is all that you did to personally educate yourself about intelligent design before October 18th. Right?
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- Q. Now, let's talk about your knowledge of what the rest of the board reviewed before October 18th.

 You know that some of the board members received copies of *Pandas*. Correct?
- A. I know they went and picked them up, if that's what you mean by received them, yes.
- Q. And surmised that some of them may have read parts or all of *Pandas*. Right?

- A. I surmised they opened the book and looked at it. I don't know how much they read or if they read it at all or just skimmed through it.
 - Q. And that's the only material that you're aware of that any board members received, was *Pandas*? Materials about intelligent design I mean.
 - A. Yes.

- Q. And no one made any kind of presentation to the board of directors about the subject of intelligent design, did they?
 - A. Not to my knowledge.
- Q. And you did not participate in any discussions with board members in which you tried to persuade them to vote in favor of including intelligent design in the board curriculum, did you?
 - A. No, I did not.
- Q. And you never participated in any discussions where any board members described their understanding of intelligent design, did you?
 - A. Could you ask me the question again?
- Q. Sure. You never participated in any discussions with any members of the board of directors of the Dover Area School District in which any of them described their understanding of the subject of intelligent design. Isn't that true?

A. I don't know if it is or not.

- Q. When I asked you this question at -- or when Mr. Rothschild asked you this at your deposition, you said not that you know of. So you don't know of any discussions in which a board member described his or her understanding of the subject intelligent design, do you?
 - A. I'm sorry, I missed the last part of your question. You kind of dropped off.
 - Q. No, that's fine. I'd be happy to repeat.

 I'm just saying, you're not saying here today that you know of or you can remember some discussion involving board members in which someone on the board described their understanding of the subject of intelligent design?
 - A. No.
 - Q. And no one from the board ever contacted the National Academy of Sciences to ask about the subject of biology textbooks or teaching biology to high school students. Correct?
 - A. I don't know if they did or not.
- Q. You don't have any information to suggest that anyone did that. Correct?
 - A. That's true.
 - Q. And you don't have any information to

suggest that anyone contacted the American Association
for the Advancement of Sciences for the same kind of
information?

- A. Again, I don't know if they did or not.
- Q. And you're not aware that anybody from the board contacted the American Federation of Biology Teachers to find out about teaching biology to high school students?
 - A. Again, I don't know if they did or not.
- Q. And you're not aware, in fact, that the board contacted any scientific or educational organizations to find out about teaching biology or evolution or related subjects to high school students, are you?
- A. I think that's what the Discovery Institute gave me information on.
- Q. Other than the Discovery Institute, which concerned legal advice, you're not aware of anyone from the board contacting any organizations to seek information -- any educational or scientific organizations to seek information about teaching biology or related subjects to high school students, are you?
 - A. I don't know if they did or not.
 - Q. And you're not familiar with the positions

of any of the organizations that I just mentioned -and that is the National Academy of Sciences or the
American Association for the Advancement of Sciences
or the American Federation of Biology Teachers -about whether intelligent design should be presented
to students. Right? You're not aware of any of their
statements or positions on that subject?

A. That's true.

THE COURT: Mr. Buckingham, I'm going to ask you to keep your voice up a little bit --

THE WITNESS: I'm sorry.

THE COURT: -- or get a little closer to the microphone because I'm having trouble hearing you, and if I am, then certainly counsel is probably having difficulty. So try to keep your voice up or get a little closer to the microphone.

THE WITNESS: Understood, Your Honor. Thank you.

BY MR. HARVEY:

Q. And in the entire process of developing and passing this resolution to include intelligent design in the high school science curriculum, the only organizations that the board ever contacted, to your knowledge, were the Discovery Institute and the Thomas More Law Center. Correct?

- A. Could you ask me that question again?
- Q. Sure. During the entire time that the board was considering or discussing in any way the change to the biology curriculum or the approval of the high school biology textbook or *Pandas and People*, you're not aware that the board or anyone for the board or acting on behalf of the board contacted any organization other than the Thomas More Law Center or the Discovery Institute. Isn't that true?
 - A. Again, I don't know if they did or not.
- Q. But you don't have any information to suggest that they did. Correct?
 - A. True.

- Q. Now, you were the board member who was pushing the subject of intelligent design. Isn't that true?
- A. I was the head of the curriculum committee, and I was put in the position where I was involved in most of the discussions. I won't say I was the board member that pushed it. There were nine people on that board. I couldn't do it all by myself.
- Q. Well, would you agree with me that you were the one who kept the conversation going about intelligent design?
 - A. I took part in certainly more than one

- 1 conversation about intelligent design. I won't say I
 2 kept it going. Some of the dialogue came from the
 3 other side.
 - Q. Well, you were the board member who showed the most interest in the issue and made sure that the board curriculum committee kept addressing the issue of intelligent design. Isn't that true?
 - A. I won't say that's true. It was a collective effort.
 - Q. Well, when I asked you this at your deposition, you told me you were the one who kept the conversation about intelligent design going on the board. Do you remember that?
 - A. No, sir, I don't.
 - Q. Please take a look at Page 95 of your deposition transcript, the one of January 3rd.
 - A. January 3rd?
 - Q. Yes, sir.

- A. I'm sorry, what was the page again?
- Q. 95. Please let me know when you're there.
- A. I'm there.
- Q. Question, Line 10: Were you the one who was pushing the idea of including intelligent design in the curriculum? Answer: I wouldn't characterize it that way. Question: How would you characterize it?

- Answer: I was the one that -- I was one that -- I
 would say I kept the conversation going. Isn't that
 your testimony?
 - A. That's what it says. And the reason it says that -- may I clarify my answer? Usually when something was directed to the curriculum committee or to the board, it was directed at me with regards to intelligent design. In that respect, I took a part in keeping the conversation going.
 - Q. And, in fact, other members of the board were keeping the conversation going, as well. Right?
 - A. Yes.

- Q. And other members of the board were pushing the idea of intelligent design?
- A. I won't say -- I won't use the word
 "pushing." Intelligent design is something that we
 felt would be beneficial to the kids because it's a
 scientific theory, and we thought we'd be doing the
 kids a good service by including that in their
 curriculum.
- Q. And what other board members were helping to keep the conversation going about intelligent design during the -- throughout the process?
- A. Sheila Harkins, Alan Bonsell, Heather

 Geesey. Noel Wenrich was for a while. For a while

1 Jeff Brown was and Angie Yingling.

- Q. Now, it's your position that you wanted other scientific theories taught in addition to the theory of evolution so that the students would have a more well-rounded science education. Correct?
- A. Well, I focused on intelligent design because I thought I knew at least a little something about that, if not a whole lot, and the other theories I probably knew little or nothing about.
- Q. And you didn't insist or suggest any alternatives to any scientific theories other than evolution, did you, Mr. Buckingham?
 - A. I'm sorry, could you ask me again?
- Q. Sure. You didn't suggest alternatives to any scientific theories other than the theory of evolution. Isn't that true?
- A. The theory of evolution, to my understanding, was flawed and it had gaps in it and I didn't want the students to hear just that because they would accept it as fact when there is another viable scientific theory out there called intelligent design. I wanted them to have more of a well-rounded education.
- Q. But my point is, you didn't suggest alternatives to any scientific theories that might be

- covered in the high school biology class other than
 the scientific theory of evolution, did you?
 - A. I didn't know anything about other theories. You know, I could only deal with what I had a little bit of knowledge of.
 - Q. Well, you didn't suggest any alternatives to any scientific theories in the chemistry class or the physics class, either, did you?
 - A. I don't know anything about chemistry or physics at all. I couldn't do that.
 - Q. Right. You were primarily concerned with evolution?
 - A. Because I knew a little bit about it and I knew a little about intelligent design, and I felt including intelligent design would be beneficial for the students.
 - Q. You don't have any background in science, do you, Mr. Buckingham?
 - A. No, I don't, nothing formal.
 - Q. Excuse me?

- A. Nothing formal, no, sir.
- Q. And, in fact, the school district has some paid professionals who are knowledgeable in the area of science education, doesn't it?
 - A. Yes, they do.

- Q. Those are the science teachers. Right?
 - A. That's true.

- Q. And the science teachers didn't want to present intelligent design as an alternative, did they?
 - A. That's true.
- Q. In fact, they didn't even want to mention it. Correct?
 - A. That's true.
- Q. So you disregarded or the board disregarded the view of the only scientific education advisors that it had. Isn't that correct?
- A. We did not disregard it. We considered it when we made our decisions.
- Q. Mr. Buckingham, you don't even know whether intelligent design is considered good science, do you?
- A. In my opinion, it is, and in the opinion of a lot of scientists, it is.
- Q. Well, at your deposition, Mr. Rothschild asked you about this, and you said that you didn't even know whether it was good science. Do you remember that?
- A. No, sir, I don't.
- Q. Please turn to Page 22 of your February -- excuse me, March 31st deposition.

1 A. Page 22?

- 2 Q. Yes, sir. Line 3.
 - A. I'm there.
 - Q. Mr. Rothschild asked you the following questions, and you gave the following answers: Is it your understanding that intelligent design is a scientifically sound concept? Answer: I think it is a scientific theory. Question: And if you can just answer my question. Do you have an understanding of whether it is sound science, good science? Answer: I'm not a scientist, I can't answer that. That was your testimony, wasn't it?
 - A. Yes, it was.
 - Q. Now, you wanted the students to hear about the possibility that aspects of the theory of evolution might be wrong. Right? That's what you wanted?
 - A. There were some scientists that said there were some flaws and gaps in Darwin's theory of evolution, and I thought they should be told about it in the normal course of teaching Darwin's theory of evolution.
 - Q. But just to focus on my question, you wanted the students to hear about the possibility that some aspects of the theory of evolution were wrong. Right?

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- Q. And you specifically wanted the students to hear that the concept of common ancestry between humans and other species was wrong. Isn't that true?
 - A. I don't remember saying that.
- Q. Mr. Buckingham, if you could turn in your notebook to what's been marked as P819. It's the last exhibit in the book. And, Matt, if you could bring that up.
 - A. Okay, I'm there.
- Q. I'd like you to take a look at this document. It's a news item that was published in the Agape Press on October the 4th, 2004, isn't it?
 - A. I have a York Dispatch.
- Q. It's the very last thing in your notebook.

 MR. HARVEY: Your Honor, may I approach to
- THE COURT: You may.
- THE WITNESS: I have it now, I have it now.
- BY MR. HARVEY:

help?

- Q. Isn't that right? It's a news item that was published in the Agape Press on October 4th, 2004.
- 23 Correct?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. And are you familiar with the Agape Press?

- A. I don't know anything about it.
- Q. You didn't know that it was a religious news organization?
 - A. No, sir.

- Q. Well, take a look at the third full paragraph here. Matt, if you could highlight that.

 And there's a statement here that's attributed to you. It says -- and I'm looking at the second sentence of the third full paragraph. Quotes, However, the school district's curriculum chairman, Bill Buckingham, says adding the book will simply provide a balanced presentation that allows students not only to learn about Darwin's theory on the origins of species, but also to hear about the possibility that some of Darwin's suppositions, including the idea that human beings evolved from apes, were wrong, close quotes.

 Do you see that?
 - A. I see it.
 - Q. Do you remember making a statement like that to a news reporter?
 - A. No, sir, I don't.
- Q. And does that correctly state your position at the time?
 - A. No, sir.
- Q. What's incorrect about that?

- A. I didn't say including the idea that

 humans -- I don't think I said any of it to a

 reporter. Did I misunderstand your question? I'm

 sorry?
 - Q. You can just put that aside for right now,

 Mr. Buckingham. I'm going to ask you -- that exhibit

 we're not going to look at again, but we might look at

 the binder in just a minute.

Now, you're aware that a number of copies of Of Pandas and People were donated to the high school?

A. Yes.

- Q. And they were donated to be used in the classroom as reference texts. Correct?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And there were approximately 60 copies that were donated. Do you remember that?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And Dr. Nilsen, who is the superintendent, accepted that donation?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. In fact, why don't we take a look just quickly at P78, Page 9. It will come up on your monitor or you can look in your book. P78, if you look at it, is the agenda for the October 4th, 2004 meeting of the Dover Area School District Board of

- 1 Directors. Correct?
- 2 A. Yes.

- Q. And then if you go -- if you look at Page 9, there's a section there under curriculum with your name next to it.
 - A. I'm looking at the monitor.
 - Q. I'm sorry, I told you -- I misled you. I said don't bother looking at the -- you need to look at the exhibit itself just to make sure you've got the right one here. Please look at P78.
 - A. Okay, I have it.
 - Q. That's the agenda for the October 4th meeting of the board of directors. Correct?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Now, if you'll look at Page 9 of that, which has also got the Bates Number 135 at the bottom --
 - A. I have it.
 - Q. That shows that -- and it says, quotes, The superintendent has approved the donation of two classroom sets, 25 each, of *Of Pandas and People*. The classroom sets will be used as references and will be made available to all students, close quotes. Do you see that?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And that, actually, is what happened at the

- board meeting on October the 4th, that information was
 provided to the board?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Now, let's talk about that donation.

 Pandas and People was donated to the school district.
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- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. No taxpayer funds were involved?
- 9 A. That's true.
- Q. And, in fact, you took up a collection at your church for *Pandas and People*. Right?
 - A. Not as such I didn't, no.
 - Q. Well, you did take up a collection at your church. Right?
 - A. Money was donated, but I didn't ask for it.
 - Q. You stood in the front of your church, in the Harmony Grove Community Church, and you made a statement that you were accepting donations for the book *Pandas and People*. Correct?
 - A. No, I didn't. I'm sorry, I did say that, but there was more to it.
 - Q. In fact, you checked with one of the church elders before getting up to make that statement to see if it was okay if you could make that statement at the front of your church. Correct?

- A. I spoke to a church elder to ask if I could
 have about two minutes prior to the church starting to
 address the congregation, yes.
 - Q. And this was on a Sunday?
 - A. Yes.

- Q. And you stood not in the pulpit but in the front of the pews while people were actually in the church. Right?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And you said that there's a need, we don't want to use taxpayer dollars, and if you feel led to donate, fine. I'm not asking for money, I'm just letting you know there's a need. That's what you said. Right?
 - A. That's true.
- Q. And you also said that the books were going to be used as a supplement to use with the regular textbook. Correct?
- A. At that time that might have been the thinking. I'm not sure. I'm not sure about that.
- Q. Well, you didn't say anything other than what I just said to you to the church, the people in the church, on that Sunday when you were standing there asking them to give if they felt that they wanted to. Correct?

- A. By "supplement," I meant a reference book to go along supplementing the regular biology book, but that's true.
- Q. Right. But what I'm saying is, it's your testimony, your claim, that you didn't say anything more than what I just said, and that is specifically that there's a need and we don't want to use taxpayer dollars, if you want to donate, fine, I'm not asking for money, I'm just letting you know there's a need, and the books are going to be used as a supplement with the regular textbook. You didn't say anything more than that to the people in the church. Correct?
 - A. That's true.

- Q. And the people in the church donated mostly cash but one check totaling \$850?
 - A. That's true.
- Q. And, Mr. Buckingham, isn't it true that you made a reference in that statement to those church members and you told them that it was important they do this for religious reasons?
 - A. Absolutely not.
- Q. You didn't raise money for Pandas and People anyplace other than your church, did you?
- MR. GILLEN: Your Honor, objection. To the extent that Mr. Harvey is trying to create an

suggesting that the thrust of the question to create
that inference is improper because he's trying to make
it look as if there was some sort of religious mission
when he asked his friends.

THE COURT: Well, that goes to the weight that I'll give it. It's a bench trial. I mean, I still don't hear something that's grounded in the rules of evidence.

MR. GILLEN: Well, I guess I'm saying he does have a First Amendment privilege to free exercise, and I think that Mr. Harvey is -- the thrust of his question right now is to burden his ability to associate and ask his co-religionists to support something he thinks is worthwhile.

THE COURT: Unless I missed something, though, the First Amendment privilege that he has that you're citing to doesn't act as a bar to answering that question. Do you think it does?

MR. GILLEN: Well, I think it does border right on the limit because it is creating this inference that would be a burden on his free exercise right. If people weren't free to do what he's done, to ask, or if it could be used against them later, it would be a burden on their ability to go in front of any congregation and ask support for any number of

1 things.

THE COURT: I don't see it, but let's hear from Mr. Harvey.

MR. HARVEY: Your Honor, I don't in any way mean to infringe upon this man's religious freedom in any way, but if he's going to take the stand and claim that he had no religious purpose in the actions of the school board and then they took up a donation at a church, I'm entitled to explore that to show that he, indeed, had religious purposes.

THE COURT: I think it's a fair question in the context of this case and in the line of questions that Mr. Harvey has already asked, so I overrule the objection. Do you remember the question, sir?

THE WITNESS: Yes, I do.

THE COURT: All right. You can answer the question.

THE WITNESS: I did that. And I was going to ask to clarify my answer, but it's kind of been done by my attorney there. My wife and I are both very active in our church, and the friends that we have in the community basically are the people that go to our church. They're the people we talk to, they're the people we socialize with basically more than, other than family, anyone else. And that was the

1 natural place for me to go to do that.

BY MR. HARVEY:

- Q. So you collected money at the church because the church is your life, is what you're essentially saying. Correct?
- A. I didn't say the church is my life. I have a family. I have other interests. But the church is an important part of my life. The people that go there are important to me. It's, if you will, an extended family, and that is how I got to make the statement there. It had nothing to do with, look, because we're Christians, I think we ought to do that. It had nothing -- I didn't mention Christianity at all. I talked to them just like they were my friends, which they are.
- Q. And the direct answer to the question I asked you previously is, you didn't ask for money at any place other than your church. Isn't that true?
- A. I don't know that I asked for money there.

 I guess we get -- what does "asked" mean? I said what you said. I said if you want to give money, fine.

 I'm not asking you for any, I'm not telling you to give any, it's up to you if you see a need and you want to help.
 - Q. Well, you didn't go to any place other than

your church to make any kind of a statement and then accept whatever donations people would spontaneously give you. You only did that at your church. Right?

- A. I don't go to many other places where I would have people like -- a group of people. You know, I did what I could do with the school board. I was active in the church. I had physical limitations. There were limitations to what I could do, and I did the best I could with what I had.
- Q. You said earlier that a literal reading of the Bible was one of the foundations of your faith?
 - A. True.

- Q. And that's true for the -- you believe for the people who worship with you at your church, the Harmony Grove Community Church. Correct?
 - A. I won't speak for them.
- Q. Mr. Buckingham, do you really think that the people at your church would have given money for this book if they didn't think that there was some religious connection to it?
- A. The people in our church give money to a lot of things. This book was one thing of many that they donated money to, and it's not always because of a religious thing.
 - Q. Do they usually donate money to public

- schools or, better yet, have they ever donated any money to a public school before?
 - A. I don't know. I've only been going to church there for ten years.
 - Q. Now, let's take a look at what's been marked as P80. Matt, could you put that up. Mr. Buckingham, do you have in front of you what's been marked as P80?
 - A. Yes, I do.
 - Q. That's actually a copy of the check that you wrote to Donald Bonsell for the \$850 that you collected at your church. Right?
 - A. Yes.

- Q. Now, we've whited out any identifying information, any codes or anything like that. I don't know whether you have that check -- your account still open, but I just want to let you know there's no -- hopefully there's no information on there. And if you look at this, the check is dated October the 4th, 2004. Right?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And it's drawn on the bank account for you and your wife. Right?
- A. Yes.
- Q. And under the "re" line, it says, Of Pandas
 and People -- I can't read the last word, can you?

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- Q. And that's your handwriting. Right?
- 3 A. I think I printed it, yes.
 - Q. And then that's your signature on the check?
- 5 A. Yes.
 - Q. And the check is, in fact, for \$850. Right?
- 7 A. Yes.
 - Q. Now, Donald Bonsell is Alan Bonsell's
- 9 father. Right?
 - A. Yes, he is.
- Q. And you gave the check to Alan Bonsell to give to his father. Correct?
- 13 A. Yes.
 - Q. And you made the check out to Alan -- to

 Donald Bonsell because it was your understanding that

 he was actually going to be the one who purchased the

 copies of Of Pandas and People. Right?
 - A. I felt he probably would, but I didn't know if he was going to give it to someone else.
 - Q. And at a board meeting in the fall of 2004, a question was raised by a man named Larry Snoke, who was a former member of the board, about who donated the copies of *Pandas* to the school district. Right?
 - A. Yes, I remember that.
 - Q. And the board didn't provide any answer to

1 Mr. Snoke's question, did they?

- A. I don't recall what the response was.
- Q. Well, you didn't speak up and say that you knew where the money came from, did you?
 - A. No, I didn't.
- Q. And are you aware that Mr. Alan Bonsell spoke up and said he knew where the money came from?
 - A. I don't remember him saying that.
- Q. And the reason why you didn't speak up at the board meeting in the fall of 2004 about who donated the money for the donation of *Pandas* is because you didn't want anybody to know that the money was raised at a church. Isn't that true?
- A. That's not true. I didn't -- I couldn't say who donated the money because I didn't know where cash came from. We had mailboxes inside the church that the pastor and the elders used to communicate with us from week to week, and envelopes would be placed in there with cash in it. There was no note, there was nothing, it was just cash. I didn't know who gave it to me, I just knew where it came from.
- Q. So you just knew that it came from members of your church, but you didn't know which specific members of your church. Right?
 - A. As far as the cash goes, that's true.

- Q. And there was also one check, and you knew who that came from. Right?
 - A. Yes, I do.

- Q. And you think that because you didn't know the specific names of the people at your church who gave the money, that you shouldn't tell this former board member, this member of the public, where this that the money for the donation was collected at your church. You didn't think you should share that information. Right?
 - A. I didn't see where it was relevant.
- Q. Well, actually, you wanted to hide that information. Isn't that true, Mr. Buckingham?
- A. No. If someone would have asked me if it came from the church, the people at the church, I would have told them it did, but it never came up.
 - Q. Well, Mr. Buckingham --
- A. It was put to us, who donated the money, and I don't know who did. I know there were people in a certain setting that did, but I don't know who they were.
 - Q. If someone had asked you specifically about that, you would have told them. Right?
 - A. Asked me about what?
 - Q. About who donated the money.

- 1 A. I don't know who donated the money.
 - Q. I'm asking you, if somebody had asked you specifically who donated the money, you're telling us you would have told them. Right?
 - A. As far as the cash goes, yes.
 - Q. Well, as a matter of fact, Mr. Buckingham, I asked you specifically who donated the money, and you didn't tell me at your deposition on January the 3rd, 2005. Isn't that true?
 - A. The cash are you talking about?
 - Q. I asked -- let's review your testimony.

 Please go to Page 57, Line 9.
 - A. Of the March or --
 - Q. This is January 3rd.
 - A. 57, Line 9?
- 16 Q. Yes, sir.

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- 17 A. I'm there.
- Q. I asked you the following questions, and you gave the following answers:

Question: The school district received a number of copies of the book *Of Pandas and People*.

Correct? Answer: Yes. Question: Do you know how many copies? Answer: I've been told there were 60.

I haven't seen them. Question: Do you know where

25 that came from, who donated the money? Answer: No, I

don't. Question: You have no idea? Answer: I have thoughts, but I don't know. Question: What are your thoughts? Answer: I think it could have a tie to Alan Bonsell, who was board president at the time. Question: Why do you think -- I know you're not saying it was, but why do you think it might have ties to Mr. Bonsell? Answer: Because he was the president of the board at the time, and I just deduced from that that.

That was the testimony that you gave on January the 3rd of 2005. Isn't that true?

- A. Doesn't that reference the books, not the money?
- Q. Isn't that the testimony that you gave on January the 3rd, 2005?
 - A. Yes.

Q. And then if you'll turn, Mr. Buckingham, to -- or, actually, go down the page to Line 24 on Page 58. Didn't I ask you the following questions and you give the following answers:

Question: Were you ever at a board meeting where someone asked who donated the book to the school, in fact, Larry Snoke, a former board member asking who donated it? Answer: I think he expressed a wonder-type thing over where they came from. I

don't think -- I don't remember anybody asking

directly where they came from. Question: Were you

curious to know where it came from? Answer: I know

they came from someone in the public sector. I know

we didn't use taxpayer funds to pay for them.

Question: Did you ask where it came from?

Answer: No. Question: Why didn't you ask? Answer:

Didn't want to know. Question: Why didn't you want

to know? Answer: Well, what purpose would it serve?

Question: Well, because you're a board member and the

school district is part of your responsibility as a

board member and maybe where these books came from

would be something that you should know. Answer: No,

I think it was a wonderful gesture, and I didn't

concern myself with where they came from.

That was your testimony, wasn't it, Mr. Buckingham?

- A. I believe Larry Snoke was asking where the money came from, not where the books came from, and that was why I answered that that way. And the rest of it is my testimony, yes.
- Q. Well, when I asked you, why didn't you ask where it came from, and you said, didn't want to know, what you really meant to say was that you knew where it came from. That was the right answer there, wasn't

it? That was the correct answer?

- A. I didn't know who donated the cash. I knew they were in a certain building when they put it in the box, but I don't know who put the cash in the box.
 - Q. You knew that I was seeking that --
 - A. In the mailbox.
- Q. You knew that I was seeking that information when I asked you those questions on January 3rd, and you didn't give me the -- you didn't tell me anything about donations being taken -- a collection being taken at your church. Isn't that correct?
- A. I didn't consider it a collection. I didn't ask for it. They just did it because there was a need there. I didn't ask them for it.
- Q. Mr. Buckingham, you lied to me at your deposition on January 3rd, 2005. Isn't that true?
 - A. How so?
- Q. By not telling me, when I asked you those questions, that you knew that a collection had been taken at your church for the book *Of Pandas and People*.
 - A. I did not take a collection.
- Q. Well, you wrote the check to Donald Bonsell, didn't you?
 - A. Yes, I did.

- Q. And you didn't tell me that you knew that -- anything about Mr. Bonsell, did you?
 - A. I don't recall if I did or not.

- Q. Well, we just read your testimony. You didn't say anything about Donald Bonsell in that testimony, did you? Do you want to go back and look at it?
- A. Well, there's more testimony than that. I don't know if I referenced him anyplace else in it or not.
- Q. Well, when I was asking you about where the donation of *Of Pandas and People* came from, you didn't mention anything about Donald Bonsell, did you? Do we need to relook at your testimony again?
 - A. I'd like to, yes.
- Q. Okay. Let's do that. January 3, Page 57, Line 9. Let me read it to you again, Mr. Buckingham, and you tell me if I've got it right.

Question: The school district received a number of copies of the book *Pandas and People*.

Correct? Answer: Yes. Question: Do you know how many copies? Answer: I've been told there were 60.

I haven't seen them. Question: Do you know where that came from, who donated them? Answer: No, I don't. Question: You have no idea? Answer: I have

- thoughts, but I don't know. Question: What are your thoughts? Answer: I think it could have a tie to Alan Bonsell who was board president at the time. Question: Why do you think -- I know you're not saying it was, but why do you think it might have ties to Mr. Bonsell? Answer: Because he was the president of the board at that time, and I just deduced from that that. Did I read that correctly?
 - A. Yes, you did.

- Q. No reference to Donald Bonsell in there.
 Right?
 - A. No, there wasn't.
 - Q. You should have told me about that at the time, shouldn't you, to be truthful?
 - A. I thought I answered the question the way you asked it. Money was given to Alan Bonsell to forward to someone, turning out to be his father, that it was going to go someplace else. I don't --
 - Q. Well, you knew that it was being given to Donald Bonsell because you wrote his name on the check?
 - A. That's true.
 - THE COURT: Mr. Harvey, why don't you move to the next area. I get the point, and you've made the point very effectively, and I don't think you need

56 1 to stay in this area. I'll give you some more 2 latitude if you want, a little bit, but --3 MR. HARVEY: Your honor, I'm done. 4 THE COURT: -- I get the point effectively. 5 MR. HARVEY: No further questions at this 6 time. 7 THE COURT: All right. Mr. Gillen. MR. GILLEN: Thank you, Your Honor. 8 9 CROSS-EXAMINATION 10 BY MR. GILLEN: 11 Q. Good afternoon, Bill. 12 A. Good afternoon. 13 Mr. Harvey has covered a great deal of 14 ground this morning, and I've got a few questions that 15 I want to ask you. There was some mention of a moment 16 of silence or prayer in 2003. Let me ask you, while 17 you were on the Dover Area School District board, did 18 you ever contemplate requiring mandatory prayer for 19 students? 20

- Α. Never.
- Did you ever discuss mandatory prayer for students with anyone on the Dover Area School District school board?
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25 Mr. Harvey has directed your attention to Q.

certain portions of your deposition taken on March 31st, 2005. I'd ask you to look at Page 22.

A. I'm sorry, page --

Q. 22. And the portion of the deposition that you were questioned about had to do with whether you

understood intelligent design was a scientific theory.

Something that was not noticed was your testimony on

the remainder of that page. And I'd like to ask you,

Bill, when you considered intelligent design as a

scientific theory, where did you get that idea?

That's a fair question. Where did you get that idea?

A. I first heard the term "intelligent design" right after I came on the school board. And when I was appointed to the chair of the curriculum committee right prior -- or right after, I researched intelligent design on the computer to some extent, not exhaustive, to try to familiarize myself with it.

- Q. And did you encounter information about scientists who you believe supported the theory?
- A. Yes, I did. I came across one Web site that said there were like 300 scientists that supported it.
- Q. At any time during this process relating to the biology text and the change to the biology curriculum did you believe that intelligent design was a religious theory?

1 A. No, sir.

- Q. Did you believe that intelligent design was creationism?
 - A. No, sir.
- Q. I want to ask you a few questions about the statement given by your wife without causing undue marital discord. I want to ask you, did she discuss the content of what she was going to say with you prior to attending the board meeting?
- 10 A. No, sir, she did not.
 - Q. Did she tell you what issue she was going to address?
 - A. No, she did not.
 - Q. Did you talk to her afterwards about what she had said?
 - A. I did talk to her afterwards about what she said, and I told her that we weren't -- that her remarks were biblical and that we weren't talking about creationism, we were talking about intelligent design, and intelligent design is not a biblical theory, it's a scientific theory, and that she was way off base when she made her remarks.
 - Q. There's this notion you've expressed here today about the myth of separation of church and state or separation of church and state being a myth.

- You've said that you mentioned that statement at some of these board meetings. And I want to ask you, how did that come up, the separation of church and state?
 - A. It came up in reference to things said by people in the public, and on one occasion Angie Yingling uttered those words to me. And my response was, in my opinion, the separation of church and state is a myth. I don't think it's in the Constitution anyway.
 - Q. Yeah, but what was your point? I mean, was your point separation of --
 - A. We weren't teaching -- I'm sorry.
 - Q. What was your point? You need to explain that so it's not misunderstood. Was your point that separation of church and state is a myth, so we can teach creationism?
 - MR. HARVEY: Your Honor, objection.

 Leading.
- MR. GILLEN: I'm asking what his point was.
 - THE COURT: Well, you can ask him what his point was, but not the second part of the question, so the objection is sustained. You can rephrase.
- MR. GILLEN: Okay.
- 24 BY MR. GILLEN:

Q. What was your point when you're raising this

1 notion that --

- A. Well, when the separation of church and state issue was raised, the point was that we were not talking about creationism, we were talking about intelligent design, which had nothing to do with the church at all.
- Q. There's been discussion, too, about a mural.

 And I want you to explain, what was the significance of the mural to you?
- A. The science teachers told us they didn't feel comfortable teaching the origins of life. And I found out after that that there had been a teaching aid in a biology classroom aiding in the teaching of just that, the origins of life. And I felt like I was kind of sandbagged, and I just felt I wasn't being dealt with fairly.
 - Q. What do you mean by that?
 - A. Because I wasn't being told the truth.
 - Q. By whom?
 - A. By the teachers in the science department.
- Q. There's been some discussion of Mr. Reeser.

 During this period, the June, July, the summer of

 2004, did you know that Mr. Reeser had destroyed that

 mural?
 - A. I didn't even know there was a mural until

after we had this -- we talked about the teachers didn't want to teach the origins of life, and we walked out of the meeting, and Mrs. Harkins says, that's funny, that doesn't go along with the mural that was the teaching aid in the biology room. I said, what mural are you talking about? I'd like to see it. And she said, it's not there anymore.

So I left, and I knew that Larry Reeser was a long-time employee of this school district. I thought, well, if anybody saw it, he did. So I went to his house, and I asked him if he had ever seen anything like that. And he said, I not only saw it, I have pictures of it. And he gave me two pictures of it.

- Q. And what was the significance of the pictures? Why did you take them?
- A. I took them because they were given to me, and, to me, they helped to substantiate that I didn't think I was being dealt with fairly. I felt like I was being sandbagged, because on one hand they're saying they don't want to teach origins of life, but on the other hand, they have a mural in the biology class as a teaching aid for origins of life.
- Q. Well, let me ask you about the mural. Did you tell Jen Miller that you danced with glee or

1 laughed with glee when the mural was destroyed?

- A. I didn't know anything about that mural until after I got on the curriculum committee and we talked to the science department and Sheila Harkins told me that it existed. I had never heard of it.
- Q. Mr. Harvey has asked you some questions about putting the proposed curriculum change on the agenda for the October 18th, 2004 meeting despite the fact that it had not been placed on the agenda for the prior meeting.

Had items been placed on the agenda for a second board meeting without consideration at a prior board meeting on other occasions?

- A. As I recall they had, if they had to be expedited for some reason.
- Q. Bill, when you voted for this curriculum change on October 18th, 2004, did you believe intelligent design was creationism?
 - A. Absolutely not.
- Q. Let me ask you about conversations with Casey Brown. Did you ever ask Casey Brown if she was born again?
 - A. No, I did not.
- Q. Did Casey Brown ever discuss her religious beliefs with you?

1 A. Yes, she did.

- Q. Did you ever question Casey Brown about her religious beliefs?
 - A. No, I didn't.
 - Q. Did you ever pressure Angie Yingling to vote on any measure of the Dover Area School District school board that was up for review, up for consideration by the board saying that she had to do so to be a good Christian?
 - A. No, sir, I did not.
- Q. Well, let me ask you this. When you voted for this curriculum change, did you believe that you were putting in place an illegal curriculum change?
 - A. No, sir, I did not.
- Q. Was it your purpose to permanently prevent the purchase of the biology textbook recommended by the science faculty of Dover Area School District at any time while you were on the board?
- A. No, sir.

MR. HARVEY: Objection, Your Honor. I'm willing not to object to a certain amount of leading because it's sometimes helpful to develop the testimony and keep things moving, but we're now exclusively into leading, and I object to the question.

- THE COURT: Well, he answered that question. 1 Mr. Gillen, I'll ask you to try to lead only in those 2 areas that are likely not going to be problematic, and 3 these go to the heart of the case, so use some 4 5 caution. 6 MR. GILLEN: I will attempt to do so, Your 7 Honor. BY MR. GILLEN: 8 9 Did you ever intend to prevent the teaching 0. 10 of evolutionary theory at Dover Area School District? 11 MR. HARVEY: Objection, leading. MR. GILLEN: That's did, did you ever 12 13 intend. How else can I ask him, I guess is the 14 question? 15 THE COURT: I'm going to allow the question 16 because we've got to keep moving. I'll allow that 17 particular question, and I'll overrule the objection. 18 You can answer the question, sir. 19 THE WITNESS: Could you ask me again, 20 please? 21 BY MR. GILLEN: 22 Did you ever have as your purpose to prevent 23 the teaching of evolutionary theory at Dover Area 24 School District?
- A. Never.

Q. What was your purpose in supporting the proposed curriculum change on October 18th, 2004?

A. We were doing it for the students, to give them an alternative scientific theory to go along with their biology class. We thought we were doing something good for them.

MR. GILLEN: No further questions, Your Honor.

THE COURT: All right. I'll give one more round to Mr. Harvey. Now, let me just ask, are you going to be fairly brief?

MR. HARVEY: Extremely, Your Honor.

THE COURT: Okay, because --

MR. HARVEY: In fact, it's over.

THE COURT: You don't have any questions?

MR. HARVEY: I don't have any questions.

appropriate time to take a break. I know you want to get the reporters' testimony in today, do we not? I see Mr. Benn standing patiently in the back. So why don't we take a break at this point for about 15 minutes and -- or 20 minutes, let's say, and then we will pick up. And I think that should give us enough time, plenty of time to get the reporters' testimony in before we close the record for today. We'll be in

1 recess for 20 minutes. 2 (Recess taken.) 3 THE COURT: All right, our next witness. MR. WALCZAK: Plaintiffs call Heidi 4 5 Bernhard-Bubb. 6 MR. WHITE: Your Honor, just for the record, 7 we continue our objection to the limited discovery and 8 the limited inquiry we're allowed to have with the 9 reporters per your orders, especially the one on 10 September 28th of 2005. 11 THE COURT: Well, your objection is 12 preserved, I'm sure, but we'll note that for the 13 record. 14 MR. WHITE: Thank you, Your Honor. 15 THE COURT: You may take the stand, ma'am. 16 HEIDI BERNHARD-BUBB, called as a witness, 17 having been duly sworn or affirmed, testified as 18 follows: 19 THE COURT: Before we start the questioning, 20 Mr. Benn, do you want to enter your appearance 21 specially for the purpose of this examination? 22 you going to go on the record? 23 MR. BENN: Yes. 24 THE COURT: Why don't you do that. 25 MR. BENN: Thank you. My name is Niles

Benn, and I'm here on behalf of Heidi Bernhard-Bubb,

as well as Mr. Maldonado, who is going to be

testifying after Ms. Bernhard-Bubb. I'm representing

both reporters with respect to this matter and have

represented them through this process, including the

court order referred to by Mr. White.

THE COURT: And it's the Court's understanding and I want to make sure that we're all clear, and I mean all counsel, that Mr. Benn is appearing specially in the capacity as just stated and that Mr. Benn will be allowed to interpose an objection pursuant to his limited representation of the reporters. Is that acceptable or understood, at least, by all counsel?

MR. WHITE: Yes, Your Honor.

MR. BENN: Thank you, Your Honor.

MR. WALCZAK: Yes, Your Honor.

THE COURT: You may proceed.

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. WALCZAK:

- Q. Good morning -- or afternoon. Would you please state your name.
 - A. Heidi Bernhard-Bubb.
 - Q. And what do you do, Ms. Bernhard-Bubb?
- A. I'm a stay-at-home mother, and I freelance

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- 2 Q. And do you work part time for the newspaper?
 - A. That's correct.
 - Q. And that is a newspaper in York County?
 - A. Yes, that's correct.
 - Q. Do you work for any other newspaper?
 - A. No, just the York Dispatch.
 - Q. And how long have you been working for the newspaper?
 - A. For four years.
 - Q. And are you assigned certain beats?
- 12 A. Yeah. I -- excuse me, I have several general assignments.
- Q. And are you assigned to two municipal boards and one school board?
 - A. Right, that's what I have currently.
- Q. And is one of those school board assignments the Dover Area School District?
- A. It isn't currently, but it was previously.
- Q. When did you cover the Dover Area School
 District?
- A. From September of 2001 through July of this year.
- Q. And I want to focus your testimony today on 25 2004. Do you recall whether you attended all of the

- Dover Area School Board's public meetings during that
 year?
 - A. Yes, I believe I did.
 - Q. And might you have missed one on October the 18th?
 - A. Yes, I did.

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- Q. Other than that, your recollection is that you attended all of their public school board meetings?
 - A. Yes, that's correct.
- Q. I want to go through a series of questions that will apply to all of the articles before we focus on the eight articles today. When you attend Dover area school board meetings, you generally sit in the same place?
 - A. Yes, near the front of the room.
- Q. Why do you do that?
- 18 A. So I can hear and see.
- Q. And do you leave meetings in the middle?
- A. No, not usually.
- Q. And when we look at a newspaper article,
 which we'll do very shortly, do you write the titles
 to the articles?
- A. No. That is done by the editors.
- Q. And there's also usually a sub -- is it

- 1 called a title or a heading?
- 2 A. Subheadings.
 - Q. And you don't write those?
- A. Right, that's correct, I don't write those.
- 5 Q. But the text in the article, that is your 6 work product?
- 7 A. Yes.

- Q. And do sometimes editors add text to your
 articles?
- 10 A. No.
- 11 Q. When you go to these meetings, do you typically take notes?
- 13 A. Yes, I do.
- Q. And is it your practice to take accurate notes?
- 16 A. Yes, absolutely.
- Q. And do you occasionally write down quotes?
- 18 A. Yes, that's right.
- Q. And do you have a practice as to how you do that in your notes?
- A. I write them out longhand, and I always put
 them in quotation marks if it's a direct or exact
 verbatim quote.
- Q. And you attempt to write down exactly what it is you heard?

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- Q. And when you go to write your articles, do you refer to your notes?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Is that the primary source that you use for writing the article?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And when it comes to the articles about the Dover Area School Board district meetings, typically when do you write those articles in relation to when the meeting occurred?
 - A. Typically the evening of the meeting, right after the meeting, and sometimes maybe the day or two after depending on the nature of whatever I'm writing.
 - Q. So it may depend on the deadline that you have?
- 17 A. That's correct.
- Q. But usually it's written within a few hours or, at most, a day of the actual meeting?
 - A. Yes, that's right.
 - Q. So the meeting is still fresh in your mind when you're writing the story?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. Is there another newspaper in York County?
- 25 A. Yes, there is.

- 1 Q. And what is that newspaper?
- 2 A. That's the Daily Record.
 - Q. And do you cooperate on stories with reporters from the Daily Record?
- 5 A. Absolutely not. The Daily Record is our 6 competition.
- Q. So you don't have, like, joint ventures,
 joint articles?
 - A. No.
- Q. Do you know a reporter named Joseph
 Maldonado?
- 12 A. Yes.

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- 13 Q. And who is he?
 - A. He is a freelancer for the Daily Record, and he also covered the Dover Area School District.
 - Q. And was he covering the school board meetings in 2004 at the same time you were covering them?
- 19 A. Yes, that's right.
- Q. So typically you would both be at the same meetings?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And did you ever discuss with him a story before you actually wrote it?
- A. Never.

- Q. Have you ever discussed a story with him, period?
 - A. Never.

Q. Now, I'm going to discuss with you eight articles that you wrote between June and November of 2004. And let me just ask you a couple of general questions that will apply to all eight of these articles. These are all articles about which you were questioned in your deposition a couple of weeks ago.

Do you testify here today knowing that you're under oath, that those articles accurately depict what happened at Dover School Board meetings?

- A. Absolutely.
- Q. And that the quotes attributed by you to people are accurate based on you having actually heard them say the respective comments?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And that when you wrote that someone, quote, said something, even though it's not in quotes, your characterization was, to the best of your ability, true and accurate?
 - A. Yes.

MR. WALCZAK: May I approach the witness,
Your Honor?

THE COURT: You may.

- 1 MR. WALCZAK: Matt, could you put up Plaintiffs' Exhibit 804, please. 2
- 3 BY MR. WALCZAK:

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- Now, Ms. Bubb, since you have not been in the courtroom before -- let me just establish, you have not listened to any of the testimony in this case?
 - That's correct. Α.
 - This is your first day you've been in court? Ο.
 - Yes. Α.
 - You did not hear Mr. Buckingham's testimony Q. today?
- 13 Α. No.
 - Ο. And nobody reported to you what he said?
- 15 Α. No.
- 16 Let me just tell you that you can look at 17 the exhibit in two places. You can either look at the 18 hard copy, we also project it up on the screen, which 19 is the same thing that's on the monitor in front of 20 you, whatever is easier for you. Do you recognize what's been marked as Plaintiffs' Exhibit 804?
 - Α. Yes.
- 23 Q. And what is that?
- 24 It's an article that I wrote that ran 25 June 8th, 2004.

- Q. And did you write this after attending the Dover Area School District board meeting on June the 7th?
 - A. Yes.

- Q. As you sit here today, do you have any independent recollection of what happened at that meeting?
 - A. Yes, I do.
- Q. Have you had an opportunity to review this article before you came in here today?
 - A. Yes, I have.
- Q. Is what you wrote in this article an accurate description of what you personally heard and observed on June 7th, 2004?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Now, I want to take a little bit more time in going through this article to help explain your writing style. The articles after this we'll go through more quickly.

Let me ask you, the practice that you applied in writing this article, is that your general practice that you use for all articles?

- A. I'm sorry, can you be more specific?
- Q. Well, you know what, let's go through this, and I'll come back and ask you that question later.

1 A. Okay.

- Q. Matt, if you could highlight the first highlighted passage beginning with the third paragraph. At the very top of the highlighted passage it reads, William Buckingham, board member and head of the curriculum committee, said he is unhappy with the proposed ninth-grade biology textbook because it teaches evolution and not creationism. Did I read that correctly?
- A. Yes.
 - Q. Now, there are no quotes in this paragraph. Is that correct?
 - A. Right.
 - Q. But it does say, in the middle of that paragraph, that Mr. Buckingham said he is unhappy with the proposed ninth-grade textbook. Could you explain to us how you wrote that, when you put quotes in and when you don't put quotes in?
 - A. Yes, I can do that. Primarily in this situation where I'm paraphrasing, paraphrasing is primarily used for the sake of concision and for the sake of accuracy.

A lot of times, for instance, during a meeting a dialogue might go on for over an hour. A person may say a number of things. Their position may

become clear in response to questions, to dialogue
with other board members, et cetera.

And so primarily paraphrasing is used to accurately reflect their position based on the content of the entire conversation and based on what they said. But whether I'm quoting something verbatim or whether I'm just attributing to them or paraphrasing a quote, it always comes directly from what they said.

- Q. So, for instance, in that first paragraph that I just read to you, there are no quotes, but to your recollection, are there things that you could have put in quotes?
- A. I don't know the exact language, but certainly it was something that he said, that he was unhappy with the textbook, et cetera.
- Q. Now, let's look at the second paragraph there. Matt, if you could highlight that quote. And that reads, quote, It is inexcusable to have a book that says man descends from apes with nothing to counterbalance it, Buckingham said of the book. And he's referring to Miller and Levine.

So, now, that is in quotes and attributed to William Buckingham. So what does that mean that it's in quotes?

A. That means that it was taken verbatim from

1 A. Right.

- Q. But you do say that he, quote, said that the committee will be looking for another textbook. So do I understand that at some point in the course of the meeting, that is, he said words to that effect?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. Let's look at the fourth paragraph there.

 And it reads, He said he had no objection to evolution being presented as a theory but believes it should not be presented as the only one to explain human existence. Now, again, there are no quotes in that paragraph?
 - A. Right, that's correct.
- Q. And are there some things that could have been in quotes in that paragraph?
- A. I believe so. I think "no objection to evolution being presented as a theory" could have been put into quotes and "human existence" could have been put into quotes.
- Q. Matt, if you could highlight the next paragraph. Now, here you have a quote attributed to a Noel Wenrich. Who is Noel Wenrich?
 - A. Noel Wenrich was a board member at the time.
- Q. And, Matt, if you could highlight the quote.

 And if you could read that quote, please.

- A. (Reading:) In science, there are competing theories. When you cease to present both, the remaining one becomes fact.
 - Q. So that would have been something that you heard him say, and what you wrote there was verbatim what you heard?
 - A. That's correct.

- Q. Matt, if you could highlight the next set of passages, please. Now, starting at the bottom of the first column there and going down to about the middle of the second column, is that something you wrote?
- A. No, that was put in by the editors the following morning.
- Q. So that was not something that was discussed at the meeting?
 - A. No.
- Q. So that was given to provide some additional context?
 - A. Yes, that's correct.
- Q. Matt, if you could now highlight the next set of passages, please. Looking at the second column about halfway down, it talks about Superintendent Richard Nilsen. Now, are these comments that Dr. Nilsen made during the board meeting?
 - A. I believe these comments were made after,

1 directly after the board meeting.

- Q. And do you, on occasion, stay and ask questions of board members and administrators?
 - A. Almost every meeting, yes.
- Q. And can you give us context about where you -- when and where this conversation took place?
- A. Yes. This would be directly after the meeting. Dr. Nilsen sits at the front of the room at the table with the school board members. I typically go up to the front of the table and ask my questions there, try to catch him before he leaves.
- Q. And let's look at the second paragraph there. It says, quote, The teachers cannot teach from a book that is not board-adopted. Is that an exact quote that you heard Dr. Nilsen make?
 - A. Yes, that's correct.
- Q. And then in the next paragraph it says, The district, quote, will always look for textbooks that give a balanced approach to all topics, end quote.

 Again, is that you directly quoting Dr. Nilsen?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And he said this to you at the end of the June 7th board meeting?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Now, in the last paragraph of the amplified

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Q. So that is a word you would have used on June the 7th?

- A. Yes. That's what I understood them to be talking about.
- Q. Matt, if we could go to the next set of highlighted passages. Now, starting at the bottom of the second column on Exhibit 804 down through the middle of the third column, there's a quote from an ACLU staff attorney, Paula Knudsen. Is that something that happened on the evening of June 7th?
- A. No, that would have happened the next morning, and, again, that was written by the editors.
- Q. And at the end of that passage it says,
 Nilsen said he is not concerned about exposing the
 district to a possible lawsuit. When did he say that?
- A. I believe I asked him a question to that effect at the meeting that evening, after the meeting.
- Q. Let's go to the next passage. Now, here's a passage referencing Board President Alan Bonsell. And you write in there that he said the board would look for a book that teachers and board members could approve, one that presents a fair and balanced approach. Do you know what he was talking about there?
 - A. I can only say that he was -- that was in

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- Q. So you had heard Ms. Callahan raise the issue of the need for a new biology book before that meeting?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And she raised it again at this meeting?
- 7 A. Yes.
 - Q. And then in the next paragraph it says,

 Buckingham said, although the book had been available

 for review since May, 2003, he had just recently

 reviewed the book himself and was disturbed the book

 was laced with Darwinism. I think I read that

 correctly.
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Does that look right?
- 16 A. Yes.
- Q. Now, again, there are no quotes in that

 paragraph. Do you have a recollection as to whether

 any part of that statement attributed to

 Mr. Buckingham could have been in quotes?
 - A. Yes. "Laced with Darwinism" could have been put into quotations and maybe the part about him being disturbed.
 - Q. So you remember him saying that he was, quote, disturbed, and remember him saying, laced with

- 1 Darwinism?
- 2 A. Yes.
- Q. And if you would turn the page now, please.

 Matt, if you could highlight the next passage, please.

 The first two paragraphs there refer to a resident
- 6 named Max Pell.
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- Q. Now, is this Mr. Pell speaking during the public comment portion of the meeting?
- A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Now, you've attributed to him a quote that
 12 reads, quote, Creationism is a religious theory, he
 13 said, why does it have to be taught in biology class,
 14 end quote. Did I read that correctly?
- 15 A. Yes.
- Q. Does that mean you heard Max Pell say those exact words?
- 18 A. Yes, I did.
- Q. And that's what you wrote in your notes?
- 20 A. Yes, that's right.
 - Q. So he mentioned the word "creationism" as he stood up to make his comments to the school board?
- A. Yes, he did.
- Q. And if you could go down to the third
 paragraph. Matt, if you could highlight. Now, that

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- Q. And when did you hear these statements?
- A. Again, after the meeting, I asked him questions.
- Q. Now, in that last paragraph, it says, quote,
 He said that he would present options to the
 curriculum committee and give the committee more
 information about how the district teaches evolution
 and creationism. Now, did he use the term
 "creationism"?
- A. I can't recall if he used the term exactly, but I asked the question with the term "creationism" in it, asking him how the district teaches evolution and how it addresses creationism if it comes up in the class.
- Q. So your question to him would have contained the word "creationism"?
 - A. That's correct.
 - Q. And did he object to that terminology?
- A. No, he did not.
- Q. Matt, if you could highlight the term
 "creationism" in this article. Now,
 Ms. Bernhard-Bubb, the term "creationism" appears
 throughout this article. Matt, if you could put the

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- A. Okay, yes.
- Q. And yet it appears, I believe, nine or ten times in this article.

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- Q. Why did you use the term "creationism" throughout this article?
- A. Because that's what I heard the board members talking about.
- Q. So you, that evening, heard board members use the term "creationism"?

A. Yes.

- Q. And who do you recall saying the word "creationism"?
- A. Mr. Buckingham made reference to it specifically, and I believe Mr. Wenrich and Mr. Bonsell.
 - Q. And in what context did they use the word "creationism"?
 - A. They were talking about the biology book.

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- editors that evening?
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 - And the York Dispatch is an afternoon publication?
 - Α. That's correct.
- 21 Q. So it would come out on Tuesday afternoon?
- 22 Yes. Α.
- 23 And I think you mentioned that your editors Q. 24 may have added some passages?
- 25 They did to this one, yes, the following Α.

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- 2 Q. And do they change or add to what you have 3 reported?
- 4 A. No.
 - Q. Now, did you receive any complaints about this article, about whether it was accurate?
 - A. No, I did not.
 - Q. So no board member came and told you that your reporting was inaccurate?
 - A. No.
 - Q. Did any administrator tell you that?
- 12 A. No.
- Q. Did anybody tell you that?
- 14 A. No.
- Q. Did anyone from the school district ask you to print a correction or retraction?
- 17 A. No.
- Q. Let's just cover all the articles at this
 point. Did you ever receive a complaint or concern
 about the accuracy of any of your articles about the
 school board in 2004?
 - A. No, not specifically.
- Q. You say "not specifically." Let's hold that
 for a minute. We'll come back to that. To your
 knowledge, did your editors receive any complaints

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- And would you have known if they had gotten complaints about your reporting?
 - Yes, I would have known. Α.
- Now, you said that you didn't hear -- you didn't receive any complaints from Dover Area School District board members or administrators specifically.
 - Α. Yes.
 - Did you hear complaints not specifically?
- Α. In general, starting mostly I think in November when --
 - I'm sorry, this would be November of 2004? Q.
- Excuse me, November, 2004, there were Α. general comments made during board meetings about the media in general, but no specific comments.
- Q. And was this after the board had already passed the policy?
 - Α. Yes.
- And did you have, for instance, national -representatives from national media outlets attending

1 these meetings?

- 2 A. Yes, that's correct.
 - Q. And do you recall what national media reporters were there?
 - A. I believe that was during the time that
 Nightline was there doing a piece on the district. I
 believe Time Magazine had been there. I think
 reporters from the Associated Press, Washington Post,
 and I think maybe The New York Times had been there.
 - Q. And do you know whether the board members knew that these reporters were there?
 - A. I can't speak to that.
 - Q. And when you say that they made complaints, this was during the public board meetings?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And do you recall what kind of complaints they made?
 - A. General complaints that the media had gotten it wrong or, you know, blown it out of proportion, that kind of thing.
 - Q. But did any representative of the Dover Area School District ever talk to you specifically about something you had written and claimed that it was wrong?
- 25 A. No.

- Q. Matt, if you could pull up Plaintiffs'
 Exhibit 805, please.
- MR. WALCZAK: May I approach, Your Honor?

 THE COURT: You may.

5 BY MR. WALCZAK:

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- Q. I show you what's been marked as Plaintiffs' Exhibit 805. Do you recognize this?
 - A. Yes, I do.
 - Q. Is this about a particular board meeting?
- 10 A. This is in reference to the June 7th board
 11 meeting.
- 12 Q. And the date of this article is June the 13 9th?
 - A. That's correct.
 - Q. Is this a follow-up article to explore issues raised by the June 7th meeting?
- 17 A. Yes.
 - Q. And your editors asked you to work on this piece?
 - A. Yes, they did.
- Q. Matt, if you could highlight the first three
 paragraphs. In that first paragraph, it says, The
 quest of several Dover Area School Board members to
 find a high school biology textbook that teaches both
 evolution and creationism could put the district at

- odds with the U.S. Supreme Court and at risk of a lawsuit. Is that based on what you had observed on June the 7th?
 - A. Yes, that's based on the discussion at the meeting on the 7th.
 - Q. And in that next paragraph, you talk about William Buckingham and say that he was disturbed by a proposed high school biology textbook because it was laced with Darwinism?
 - A. Yes.

- Q. Again, there are no quotes in that paragraph, but as I believe you testified before, "disturbed" and "laced with Darwinism" could have been in quotes?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. And those are things that you recall Mr. Buckingham actually saying?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Matt, if you could highlight the second set of passages. If you'll look down, I think it's the fifth paragraph, it starts with, A recommendation. It says, A recommendation on the book will come from the curriculum committee, which also includes board members Sheila Harkins, Casey Brown, Buckingham -- and Casey Brown. Buckingham said the committee would look

for a book that presented both creationism and evolution.

Do you recall Bill Buckingham saying that they were looking for a book that presented both creationism and evolution?

- A. I don't know -- he didn't say that exact sentence. He said -- that goes back to the discussion, though, where he was talking about wanting to look for a book that might contain creationism and looking for a balance to the theory of evolution.
- Q. But you did hear him say that he was looking for a book that presented creationism?
 - A. Yes.

- Q. And the next set of paragraphs at the bottom of column one going over to the first paragraph of column two, it talks about a Robert Boston, spokesman for Americans United for Separation of Church and State.
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Did you talk to Mr. Boston?
- A. I did.
 - Q. And when was that?
- A. I had called him -- I believe it would have been on Tuesday, June 8th.
 - Q. And you wrote in there that the district

- will be inviting a lawsuit if it chooses a textbook that teaches creationism?
 - A. Yes.

- Q. And, again, there are no quotes, but could any of that have been in quotes?
- A. I can't recall exactly, but that's based on what Mr. Boston told me.
- Q. If you could, Matt, highlight the next set of passages. If you look at the bottom of the second column and over onto the first paragraph on the next page, you say, But Buckingham said he is unconcerned about violating the separation of church and state.
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. When did he say that?
- A. That's going back to the questions that I asked him after the June 7th meeting.
- Q. And then on the next page, at the top, you write, Although he swore to uphold the Constitution when he became a school board member, Buckingham said he didn't come to uphold the separation of church and state, which he sees as a myth, and the Supreme Court's interpretation.
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Is that, again, something he said to you on -- after the board meeting?

1 A. Yes.

- Q. And, again, there are no quotes there, but is what you wrote there the essence of what he said?
- A. Yes. And some of that is his language, again, saying that it was a myth, the Supreme Court's interpretation.
- Q. And one last set of passages here. If you would look at the last two-thirds of that column, first column on the second page, you're talking about Assistant Superintendent Baksa?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And when did you have that conversation with him?
- A. I called him -- again, that would have been on Tuesday, the 8th.
- Q. And in the third highlighted passage, you wrote, However, he said teachers may make reference to creationism in class, and the district would not prevent students from pursuing other theories. Now, is "creationism" a term he used with you on June the 8th?
- A. Yes, specifically in response to a question I was asking him about how they dealt with it if creationism comes up in class.
 - Q. And then in that next paragraph you said,

sit here today of what happened at that board meeting?

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Yes, I do.

- Q. And prior to your testimony here today, did
 you review this article?
 - A. Yes, I did.
 - Q. And is what you wrote in this article accurate?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And the quotes that you attribute to people in this article, are they based on what you actually heard?
- 10 A. Yes.

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- Q. Now, the title here says, Church/state issue divides, and then the subtitle is, Creationism draws

 100 to Dover meeting. Now, is that something you wrote?
- A. No, that's not.
- Q. That's something added by the editors?
- 17 A. Yes, that's correct.
- Q. And there's a picture here.
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. And that's taken by somebody from the newspaper?
- 22 A. Yes, that's right.
- Q. And did the -- so that would be the photographer?
- 25 A. Yes, John Pavoncello.

- Q. And do you know if Mr. Pavoncello attended the meeting?
 - A. Yes, he was there.
 - Q. And do you know who wrote the caption under the photograph?
 - A. John wrote that.
 - Q. And did you consult with him about that?
- 8 A. No.

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- Q. Matt, if you could highlight the first several paragraphs. Now, in that first paragraph, it says it's pretty hard to read there, but I think it says, Nearly a hundred people can you make it out on the copy you have?
- A. I can't, but I believe it's something to -nearly a hundred residents, students, and teachers
 attended, either residents or parents.
- Q. To continue debating whether creationism should be taught alongside evolution in the high school biology curriculum. So there were nearly a hundred people at that meeting?
 - A. Yes, that's right.
- Q. And is that a relatively large number for the Dover School Board?
 - A. Yes.
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- A. Maybe 10, 15 people.
- Q. Matt, if you could highlight the next set of passages. If you look at the bottom, the very last two-line paragraph over to the top of the next page, it talks about Board Member and Curriculum Committee Member Casey Brown said it is her duty as a board member to uphold her oath to support the Constitution and the school code, which she said is clear about the separation of church and state.
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And you say Casey Brown said that?
- 13 A. Yes, she did.
 - Q. And so you remember her talking about living up to her oath to maintain the separation of church and state?
 - A. Yes, that's what I wrote.
- Q. Matt, if you could highlight the last few passages on that first column on the second page.
- There's a subheading there. Is that the proper term?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. It says, The least offensive option.
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And it reads that Trudy Peterman, who is the principal at Dover Area School District?

- 1 A. She was at the time.
- Q. And Bertha Spahr, who is the head of the science department?
 - A. Yes.

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- Q. It says that they said the faculty considered that Dover was a religious community when they selected the book which they believed was the least offensive option?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And that's something that they said during the public comment portion of the meeting?
- A. Yes.
 - Q. So they talked about how Dover was a religious community?
 - A. That's what they said, yes.
 - Q. And that they believed that the Miller and Levine book was the least offensive option?
- 18 A. Yes.
 - Q. Now, if you go to the third paragraph among those that are highlighted, it says, Brown quoted.
- 21 And there were two Browns on the school board then.
- 22 Correct?
- A. Yes, there were.
- Q. And do you know which Brown --
- 25 A. That was Casey Brown.

- Q. And the other Brown was her husband, Jeff?
 - A. Yes, that's right.
- Q. And you write, Brown quoted from the teacher's edition that the purpose of the section on evolution was to, quote, help students understand the evolutionary world view and promote understanding without compelling belief, end quote.
 - A. Yes.

- Q. And so, in fact, that is a verbatim quote of what Casey Brown said at the meeting?
 - A. Yes, that's right.
- Q. And in the last two paragraphs of the ones we've highlighted here, Bertha Spahr is talking about the state standards do not include creationism?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And do you recall her using the word "creationism"?
 - A. I do.
- Q. Now, I want to go to the first four paragraphs at the top of the second column on the second page of Plaintiffs' Exhibit 806. And I believe the subtitle is, Opponents' position. Can you tell what that says?
 - A. Yeah, I believe so.
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Q. Now, there's been some significant dispute in this case about whether Mr. Buckingham said the quote, Nearly 2,000 years ago someone died on a Cross for us, shouldn't we have the courage to stand up for Him.

Is there any doubt, as you sit here today, that you heard him make that statement at the June 14th, 2004 Dover Area School Board meeting?

- A. I have no doubt that he said that.
- Q. And he made that statement during the public portion of the meeting?
- A. Yes, during -- it wasn't during public comment, it was during the board discussion, but it was made in public.
 - Q. And that would have been where?
- A. In the -- where the meeting was held, he was sitting at the front of the room at the board table.
- Q. Matt, if you could highlight the next paragraphs. In that middle paragraph on the second column you say, His remarks, referring to

 Mr. Buckingham, were echoed by his wife, Charlotte Buckingham, who said that teaching evolution was in direct opposition to God's teachings and that the people of Dover could not, in good conscience, allow the district to teach anything but creationism.

Do you recall Charlotte Buckingham using the word "creationism"?

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- Q. And then in the next set of paragraphs, beginning with "the minister's view" going to the top of that third column, who is Warren Eshbach?
- A. He's a resident of the district, retired minister.
 - O. He is a minister?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And you wrote there that -- in that first paragraph that he said he was concerned that the issue was polarizing the district?
- A. Yes.
 - Q. And is "polarizing" a word he used?
- 16 A. I believe it was.
- 17 And then in that next paragraph you said 18 that he said that he believes people might believe in 19 both God and evolution, adding that while public 20 schools should have values, religious beliefs should 21 be taught at home and church. Eshbach also said he 22 was concerned that compelling the staff to teach 23 creationism might expose the district to legal 24 ramifications that could impact the taxpayers.

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- 1 Q. So he said words to that effect?
- 2 A. That's correct.
 - Q. So he was disparaging the organization?
- 4 A. That's what he said.
 - Q. And did he say that during the meeting?
- A. Yes, he did.

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- Q. So it was while the meeting was going on and not afterwards privately to you?
 - A. Right.
 - Q. Now, Matt, if you could highlight the uses of creationism. Now, in looking at this June 15th article, creationism is used in the subheading.
- 13 A. Yes.
 - Q. Is that right?
- 15 A. Yes. Sorry.
- Q. And creationism is used in the caption of the photograph?
- 18 A. Yes.
- Q. And creationism is used many times in the article?
- 21 A. That's correct.
- Q. And I know you said that you've heard

 Mr. Buckingham or had heard Mr. Buckingham use the

 term "creationism"?
- 25 A. Yes.

- Q. And Ms. Spahr used the term "creationism"?
 - A. She did.

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- Q. And Mr. Bonsell?
- A. I don't believe Mr. Bonsell used the term at this meeting. I just believe he was saying something else should be taught to balance evolution. He was agreeing with Mr. Buckingham saying it.
 - Q. Do you recall Mr. Bonsell using "creationism" at the June 7th meeting?
 - A. That's the only time, yes.
 - Q. But you do remember him using it on June 7th?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And Mr. Wenrich used the term "creationism"?
- A. Again, I believe at this -- in reference to this article the only person on the board who used that term was Mr. Buckingham.
- Q. But you remember Mr. Wenrich using that term on June the 7th?
- A. Yes, and then agreeing with him during the discussion about creationism at this meeting.
- Q. And you heard Charlotte Buckingham use creationism?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. And Reverend Eshbach used creationism in his

1 comments?

- 2 A. Yes, he did.
- Q. Matt, if you could pull up Exhibit 807, please.

5 MR. WALCZAK: May I approach, Your Honor?
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BY MR. WALCZAK:

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- Q. I show you what's been marked as Plaintiffs' Exhibit 807. Do you recognize this document?
 - A. Yes, I do.
- Q. And this is an August 3rd article that you wrote?
- A. Yes, that's correct.
 - Q. And you're reporting on a Dover Area School
 Board meeting that occurred on August the 2nd?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Matt, if you could highlight the creationism and intelligent design. Now, we've highlighted in orange here the uses of creationism and then highlighted in blue the uses of intelligent design.

 Is this -- is the August 2nd meeting the first time you heard school board members mention intelligent design?
 - A. Yes, it is.
 - Q. So you do not recall any board members using

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1 board meeting to the book Of Pandas and People?

A. Yes, it is.

- Q. And then later on in the highlighted passage it talks about how there was a tie vote on the biology book.
 - A. Yes, there was.
- Q. Matt, if you could highlight the second set of passages. And under deadline it says, Buckingham proposed waiting to approve the Prentice Hall Biology until the other book had been reviewed. However, a delayed vote would have meant that the students and teachers would not have a biology text for the new year. Is that something that became clear during that meeting?
 - A. Yes, it is.
- Q. So both Mr. Buckingham proposed waiting, that was clear?
 - A. Yes, he did.
- Q. And it was clear that if, in fact, they didn't approve that biology book, the students would not have it in time for the new school year?
 - A. Yes, I believe that was a concern.
- Q. Now, in that next paragraph there's a quote attributed to Jeff Brown. And it reads, quote, I don't like blackmail, I don't like it that if we don't

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- A. Not typically, but in this case they did allow it. Actually, I think they always -- they don't typically speak, but I think they always allow them to if they have a comment.
- Q. And in the next paragraph it says,

 Buckingham maintained that the books should only be

 approved together, saying, quote, We have an

 opportunity to level the playing field, what is

 everyone so afraid of, end quote. And that quote,

 again, is verbatim for what you heard Mr. Buckingham

 say?
 - A. Yes, that's correct.

- Q. Now, in that next paragraph it refers to
 Casey Brown and indicates that she said that as a
 member of the curriculum committee, she had read the
 proposed supplemental text from cover to cover and
 that she didn't believe it fit with the district's
 curriculum, was not sure about the concept of
 intelligent design, and was sure that it contained,
 quote, bad science, end quote. You recall her saying
 "bad science"?
 - A. Yes, I do.
- Q. And you recall her saying that she had reviewed the entire *Pandas* book?
 - A. That's correct.

- Q. And then in that last set of highlighted paragraphs there it talks about a heated exchange between Yingling -- and who is Yingling?
 - A. Angie Zeigler Yingling. She was a school board member at the time.
 - Q. And it says that she decided to change her vote to move the process forward. And then in that last highlighted paragraph it says, The Prentice Hall Biology book was approved five to three. So it was approved because Angie Yingling changed her vote?
 - A. That's correct.

MR. WALCZAK: May I approach, Your Honor?

THE COURT: You may.

BY MR. WALCZAK:

- Q. I show you what's been marked as Plaintiffs' Exhibit 808. Do you recognize this?
 - A. I do.
 - Q. And what is it?
- A. It's an article that I wrote regarding the August 2nd board meeting that ran on August 3rd, 2004.
- Q. And did this run as a companion piece to the article we just looked at?
 - A. It did.
- Q. Now, Matt, if you could highlight that second paragraph. Now, again, it makes reference to

wrote about the September 7th Dover board meeting?

1 A. It is.

- Q. Matt, if you could highlight the paragraph beginning at the bottom of the first column going down the second column. Now, in the middle of that second column you have, Mr. Buckingham said it is important to distinguish between the concept of creationism, which refers to God, and the creation story in the Bible and intelligent design, which states that some being caused life to begin somehow. He said the distinction is important because intelligent design is not specific to one religion.
 - A. Yes.
- Q. So Mr. Buckingham, sometime during that meeting, made those comments?
- A. Yes, he did, specifically to me after the meeting.
 - Q. So it was not during the meeting?
- A. No.
 - Q. And do you recall him using the term "creationism"?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And then in the third column there's a subheading, Residents speak out. Is that you reporting on what residents said during the public comment portion of the meeting?

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- Α. Yes, she did. And it says that she is a biology teacher for 35 years at the high school level and at York
- that she said in all her years of teaching evolution,

College and Millersville University, and then it reads

- she had never seen a student or adult lose faith in
- God after learning about Darwin and the theory of
- natural selection. Is that something she said during
- her comments?

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- Α. Yes.
- And then you have a quote from her.
- reads, I wonder what the motivation in bringing in the
 - Pandas book; if it is evangelism in the public
- schools, then it is inappropriate, she said. It's a
- faith issue. To teach it as science is a perversion,
 - end quote. Again, that's a direct quote of what she
 - said to the board?
 - Α. Yes.
 - And she said that during the public comment
- 25 portion of the meeting?

- 1 A. That's correct.
- MR. WALCZAK: May I approach, Your Honor?
- THE COURT: You may.
- 4 BY MR. WALCZAK:
- 5 Q. I'm sorry, I'm going to direct you to another exhibit, 813.
- 7 MR. WALCZAK: May I approach, Your Honor?
- THE COURT: You may.
- 9 BY MR. WALCZAK:
- 10 Q. I show you what's been marked as Plaintiffs'
- 11 Exhibit 813. Is this something you wrote?
- 12 A. Yes, it is.
- Q. Now, I believe you testified earlier that
 you were not able to attend the October 18th board
- 15 meeting?
- 16 A. That's correct.
- Q. And do you recall why that was?
- A. I had another -- I don't remember who it
- 19 was, but I had another school board or municipality
- 20 that had a meeting on the same night, and the editor
- decided to send me to the other meeting.
- Q. And did they then, the next morning, ask you
- to write an article?
- A. Yes, they did.
- Q. So you tried contacting some people on the

1 morning of the 19th?

- A. That's correct.
- Q. And in the first five or six paragraphs, you make reference to Casey Brown. Did you speak with Ms. Brown on the morning of the 19th?
 - A. I did.
- Q. And you have a quote attributed to her about halfway down that first column, and it reads, quote, There seems to be a determination among some board members to have our district serve as an example to flout the legal rulings of the Supreme Court, to flout the law of the land. They don't seem to care. I think they need to ask the taxpayers if they want to be guinea pigs, end quote, Casey Brown said this morning. Is that something she said to you?
 - A. It is.
 - Q. And that's a verbatim quote?
- 18 A. Yes.
 - Q. And then towards the bottom of that column you have another quote attributed to her. Quote, It's a waste of money, how do we answer to the taxpayers, we are committing the district and taxpayers to a no-win fight. I believe if you want to make a change, you go to the legislature, end quote, she said.

 Again, is that a direct quote attributed to her?

1 A. It is.

- Q. At the bottom of the second column you make reference to William Baksa.
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And then in there you say that the administration and teachers offered an alternative curriculum recommendation that did not make specific reference to intelligent design. Is that correct?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And is that something Mr. Baksa told you the next morning, the morning after the board meeting?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. And then if you'll turn the page, in the first two paragraphs there, you make reference to Nilsen and Baksa. Did you speak with both of them?
 - A. I did.
- Q. That would have been the morning of the 19th?
- 19 A. Yes.
 - Q. And there it says that they told you that they were not sure how the new wording would be applied. Is that correct?
 - A. Yes, that's correct.
 - Q. And that they would be meeting with the high school science department to develop specific language

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that would be used in each class to introduce the curriculum. Is that correct?

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Q. Now let's turn to Exhibit 810, which I

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believe I gave you just a moment ago. Do you

1 recognize this exhibit?

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- Q. And this is an article you wrote about the November 1st Dover School Board?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Matt, if you could highlight the first paragraph. In that first paragraph you write that Dover Area School Board's decision two weeks ago requiring intelligent design theory to be included as a high school biology reference text dominated last night's board meeting with former board members criticizing the move and one denouncing others on the panel and quitting the meeting.

Is that an accurate characterization of what happened that night?

- A. Yes, it is.
- Q. So most of the meeting was, in fact, dominated by a discussion of intelligent design?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. Now, the next two paragraphs there, it refers to Noel Wenrich.
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And he made comments during the public comment section of the meeting?
- A. Yes, he did.

- 1 So he had resigned already? Q.
 - He had resigned, but this would have been Α. his last meeting as a board member.
 - And when he made these comments, do you recall whether he made them while sitting as a board member or did he make them from somewhere else?
 - He made them from the podium where the Α. public makes their comments.
 - And was that unusual for a board member to Ο. make comments from there?
 - Α. Yes.

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- And you write there that Wenrich said that he and residents in the audience have been personally attacked and insulted at the last meeting by Buckingham and by the board. Did he say words to that effect?
 - Yes, he did. Α.
- So that's an accurate characterization of Q. 19 what he said?
 - Α. Yes, it is.
 - And then you have a quote attributed to him. Could you read that quote, please?
 - (Reading:) I was referred to as unpatriotic, and my religious beliefs were questioned. I served in the U.S. Army for 11 years and six years

Is that an accurate paraphrasing of what Mr. Bonsell said?

A. Yes, it is.

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- Q. And then it says, Mr. Wenrich was asked to leave the podium?
 - A. Yes.

- Q. Who asked him to leave the podium?
- A. Mr. Bonsell.
- Q. And Mr. Bonsell was the board president at the time?
 - A. Yes, he was.
 - Q. And then you have a quote that you write that Mr. Wenrich shouted from the front of the room that he had enjoyed his service but could, quote, no longer sit with these people, end quote. That's a verbatim quote?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And when you say that he shouted from the front of the room, is that where the exit would have been?
 - A. No, the exit was at the back of the room.
- Q. So he went back to his seat at the table, or did he leave the meeting?
 - A. He went back to his seat at the table, and I believe he got his coat and then said what he said and then left the meeting.
 - Q. And then at the bottom of that second column you make reference to Casey Brown and Larry Snoke.

- 1 We've talked about Casey Brown. Who is Larry Snoke?
 - A. He is also a former school board member that attends most of the meetings.
 - Q. And in that first paragraph in the third column you write that Snoke said the board was dividing the community.
 - A. Yes.

- Q. And do you remember Mr. Snoke using the word "dividing"?
 - A. Yes, I believe he did.
- Q. And then in that next paragraph you wrote that Brown suggested that the board rescind its decision on intelligent design but offer an elective class on religions of the world so that students could be exposed to all of the world's faiths. Is that correct?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And she was no longer on the board at this time?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. So she stood up as a resident and made this during public comment?
- A. Yes, she did.
- Q. If you could look down two paragraphs from there, and it says, The decision. Do you see where

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- 2 A. Yes.
 - Q. And the decision you're referring to, the decision to add intelligent design theory to the curriculum?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. And it reads, The decision could make Dover a national test case over what can be taught in public schools. Did somebody say that?
 - A. That's my -- that's my writing, but that's in reference to things that were said by board members. Casey Brown had said something to that effect. I'm not sure of the order of this, but in another article I had interviewed some people from the National Science Center for Education in Oakland. They had said something to that effect.
 - Q. So this is not your commentary on --
 - A. It's based on the content of other conversations I had had.
 - Q. Pretty prescient comment, wouldn't you agree?
 - A. Yeah.
- MR. WHITE: Objection.
- MR. WALCZAK: I have no further questions.
- THE COURT: We'll sustain the objection to

the last question, strike that last answer, and you
may cross.

I don't know, I'll just interject at this point, I'm willing to stay until 5:00 to get as much as we can in, but I don't know if we're going to get both reporters done.

I trust that doesn't present a problem if we have to come back, unless you want to break now,

Counsel. But I'll stay -- we typically, as you know,

have ended our days at 4:30, but --

MR. WHITE: Your Honor, since we will be coming back for Maldonado tomorrow, it might be a good idea to get it all done tomorrow.

THE COURT: Mr. Benn, does that present a problem for you?

MR. BENN: That will be fine.

THE COURT: Why don't we then end our trial day here. It's probably an opportune time to do that to give you the time that you need without compressing it at the end of the day today, and we will reconvene and pick up your cross-examination at 9:00 a.m.

tomorrow. Anything else for today?

MR. BENN: No, Your Honor.

THE COURT: All right. We'll be in recess until 9:00 a.m. tomorrow.

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