

SFUSD School Renaming Project Fact Sheet

Families for San Francisco analyzed the School Names Advisory Committee's meetings and documentation to assess their work for the school renaming project.

Regretfully, our conclusion is that the work done by the Committee is deeply flawed.

Process Flaws

- Did not “engage the larger San Francisco community in a sustained discussion” as the original Resolution resolved.
- Not guided or informed by professional historians or any other parties with the historical expertise.



Analysis Flaws

- “Just One Thing” test
 - Assuming the conclusion
 - Arbitrary application
 - Lack of objective tests
 - Superficial analysis
- “pretty quick with some really casual Google searches,” led to numerous factual errors and historical contexts were not considered.

Read the full report at familiesforsanfrancisco.com/sfUSD-renaming.

We strongly support the original Board of Education [Resolution 184-10A1](#), which established the [School Names Advisory Committee](#). Engaging the larger San Francisco community in a sustained discussion to reflect upon the appropriateness of those who have been honored with a public school name is important work.

The larger San Francisco community is currently consumed with the public health emergency of SARS-CoV-2. Therefore, we urge the Board of Education to pause and reflect upon why the current process is flawed, so that when the pandemic is over the work can be restarted and carried out successfully.