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It disturbs me greatly that the teachers unions have more power over children in public schools than their parents.

It disturbs me greatly the curriculum being chosen for our children. It is shameful that children are being taught to question their sex at very early age and are encouraged to take sex hormone medication and to have parts of their bodies removed when they are too young to understand the consequences and many are regretting their actions not-so-later in their lives when it is too late to repair their bodies.

Look at the young men are who are learning that becoming a girl will prevent them from entering sports because they have an unfair advantage over girls who compete. It disturbs me greatly that the curriculum is prepared without the input of parents.

When something is wrong with their child, parents are the ones who must help their children, whether it is sitting down to talk with them, or deciding whether other help is needed. The idea that children are told not to trust their parents is inhumane.

If that is the problem, then parents have a right to seek alternate education. If enough parents choose that action, where does not leave public education? It leaves the teachers unions in quandary of their own making. It leaves the public education employees with not enough money to fund their salaries.

If the Oregon State Legislature continues to stop listening to the parents (voters) they will be out of a job, or they will seek to heap more taxes on the public--that seems to be all levels of government choice of action. Keep doing so will soon make taxpayers so angry that the consequences for legislators will be losing their jobs for more voter friendly and voter responsive candidates--just waiting in the halls.

Please return education to the basics: reading, writing, all levels of mathematics, real health issues, preparation for college and for knowing how to handle a checkbook and how to budget their salaries. That brings another issue: today's youth do not know how to interview for a job. They come to an interview with dirty or inappropriate dress, refuse to report to work on time, find excuses not to come to work. These are our future leaders With lack of education and training that is what we are getting--unqualified work force.

It disturbs me that legislators, cabinet members agree with the President, in "One World Order," "Zero Population", and "No Borders" "Allowing Criminals to Go Free to Commit More Crimes". THAT IS THE LAST THING THAT I WANT TO SEE HAPPEN and I will fight with all might to keep those things from happening.

Respectfully,
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