

**From:** Carolyn Goodwin Carolyn.Goodwin@BossierSchools.Org  
**Subject:** [Defender Restored] Re: Support from a Bossier teacher  
**Date:** May 7, 2015 at 3:30 PM  
**To:** HINSON, CHARLOTTE CAHINSON@caddo.k12.la.us

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I taught at Newton Smith on mlk drive and have been at stockwell for 17 years. I too am so tired of the mess education has become. I'm still not ready to retire and keep my door shut and do my own thing. Helene Braunig is a person from my past. I babysat for the Braunigs when I was in high school. Her kids were brilliant and I am sure she, like most evolutionists are too smart for their own good. I know they are Jewish and she was an English teacher at Captain Shreve. Call me anytime. Carolyn

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 26, 2014, at 8:11 PM, "HINSON, CHARLOTTE" <CAHINSON@caddo.k12.la.us> wrote:

> Wow!! Thanks for taking the time to encourage me!! I, too, have the support from principal and school board. They reminded me I did nothing wrong. It wasn't a parent saying anything,; it was the letter I wrote to the Times in response to 2 women writing that we need to teach evolution in all classrooms as fact, and not even mention any other theory. I am so, so sorry that you went through that. It's tough right now, but I feel a peace. :) :) I teach many fitness classes and personal train, so if there ever comes a day where they want me out, I have options. :) But I do LOVE to teach!!!! Where did you teach in Caddo? I've been at EG 10 years, but I taught in Nashville, San Diego, and Bossier too. I talked to Mike as well. He's an amazing attorney. I have 5 other attorneys who are friends of mine, fully supportive, which is awesome. I may call you this weekend! Thanks again for sharing!!! Times are getting harder and harder.....I feel the end is near. Be blessed!!!! Charlotte

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> From: Carolyn Goodwin [Carolyn.Goodwin@BossierSchools.Org]  
> Sent: Wednesday, February 26, 2014 7:33 PM  
> To: HINSON, CHARLOTTE  
> Subject: Support from a Bossier teacher

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> Dear Charlotte,  
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> Love in Christ,  
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> 469-8349

**From:** Cathi Slack Cathi.Slack@BossierSchools.Org  
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Carolyn,  
How thoughtful of you to contact this teacher. We have some idea of how she feels. I was just reading up on what has happened with all of this yesterday. The ACLU will never understand because they believe it has to do with "religion", but we know it's about a relationship and that can't be separated from your work day or your life in general. Your kind spirit is just one of the many reasons I love you!  
Cathi

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