

**Comments of David Fisher, President of the Sacramento City Teachers Association to the Sacramento City Unified School District Board of Education, July 16, 2020**

Agenda Item: 8.0 Public Comment.

*Under the provisions of the SCTA/SCUSD Collective Bargaining Agreement, Article 18.12, SCTA is provided up to fifteen (15) minutes to provide a report to the board.*

Good evening. I am David Fisher, the president of the Sacramento City Teachers

~~Association (SCTA).~~  
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First, we want to express our appreciation for the Sacramento County Office of  
Education and the Sacramento County Department of Public Health for their

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“[SCUSD] provided [SCTA] with incorrect information and misrepresented the bases for its bargaining positions, as when the [SCUSD] rejected [SCTA’s] proposal to protect day-to-day substitute pay on the grounds that it needed to use these monies to purchase laptops for students, even though this was not true;”

We have urged Superintendent Aguilar, Board President Ryan and SCOE to participate directly in our negotiations--to work directly with us to create a new climate of constructive cooperation. We reiterate our request tonight.

Yesterday’s decision by SCOE and the Department of Public Health gives SCUSD the opportunity to work with teachers to significantly improve the distance learning program that will be offered to students and to do so in a way that creates a climate of

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The District still has provided no response to our other proposals, including our proposed revision to Article 11, Health and Safety, in response to the pandemic, as

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Superintendent Jorge A. Aguilar  
Sacramento City Unified School District  
5735 47th Avenue  
Sacramento, CA 95824

Please submit the following for public comment on behalf of the Community:

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Advisory Committee's Executive Officers

- Kenya Martinez
- Rose McAuliffe
- Al Hernandez Santana
- Lisa Arnold Fernandez
- Dr. Dennis Mah

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The language above may sound neutral and reasonable at first glance, but we would like to underscore that teachers are already authorized per our Policies and encouraged by CAG to become general.

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**Lisa Allen**

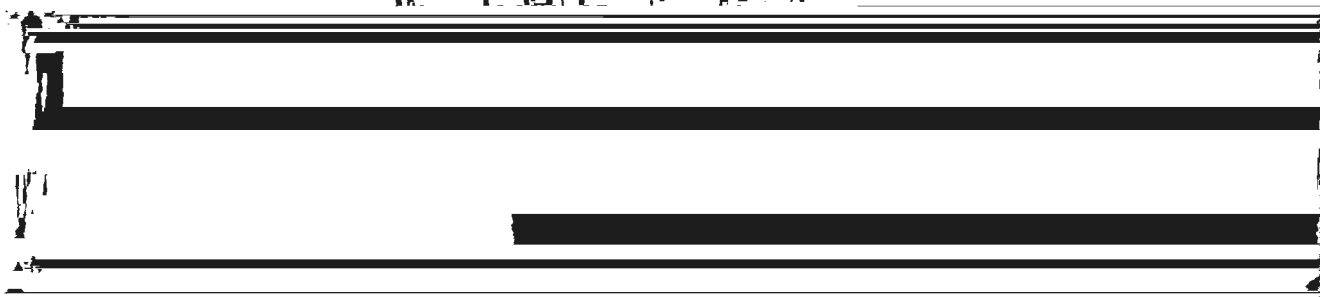
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All the best,  
Kenya Martinez

Please excuse typographical errors. I am a person with Learning Disability

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Name: Stevie Cook

Comment: Good evening Superintendent Aguilar and Board of Education members.

I wanted to let you know that as a teacher here in the district I have been devouring workshops via Zoom since the start of summer break to prepare for the upcoming school year. I have also seen many of my colleagues representing SCUSD in these virtual meetings.

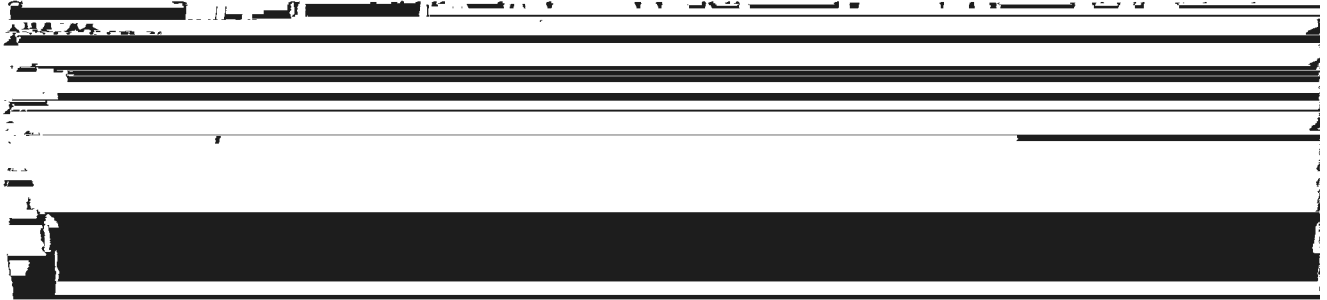
This morning I got out of a second session of free Zoom training from the IIC District



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Name: Renee Phillips





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| Name: | Junior Goris |
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Comment: Good Evening School Board and Superintendent Aguilar. I am a parent at MLK K-8 School and extremely concerned about proposed cuts to MLK staff to part time, basically eliminating our middle school program. I understand as a district we are all a family and we must all tighten our belts financially but are these cuts being applied equally to all neighboring schools? I have asked this question previously and been unsuccessful in getting an answer. Our kids at MLK should be the only ones facing these types of cuts. I respectfully request an answer to my question. Thank you for your labor to the district.

Speaking as: Parent/Guardian

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**Lisa Allen**

**From:**

Tamara Toby

**Date:**

Thursday, July 16, 2020 7:50 AM

**Subject:**

Preschool teachers


Dear Board Members and Superintendent,

We are the teachers from the Parent Participation Preschool Program. Thank you for listening to our preschool families

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| Name:    | Erin Duarte  |
| Comment: | Please prioritize K-3 students learning to read - ideally including students who are older but behind and English learners. They must have physical books in their hands and |



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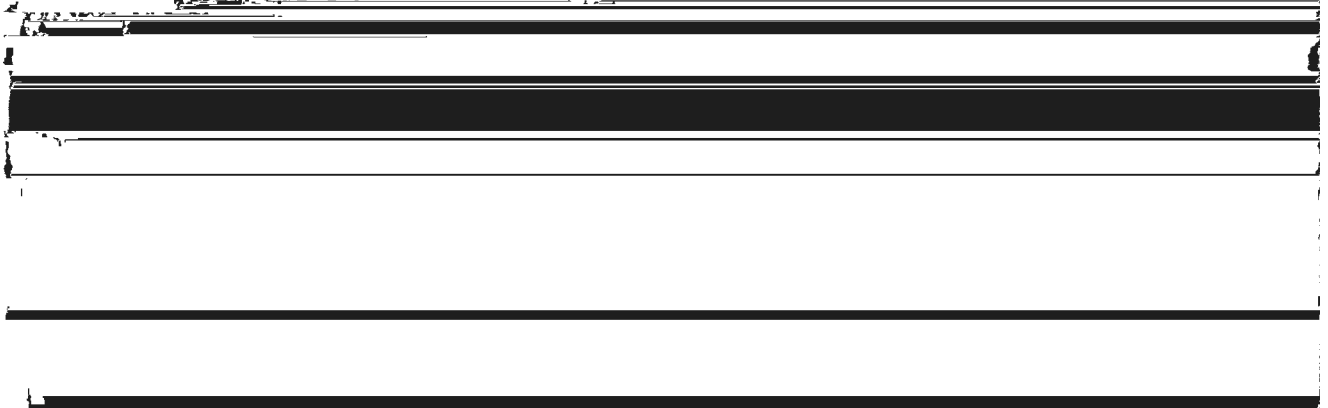
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Name: Renee Webster-Hawkins

Comment: [This is a non-agendized item.] Dear Boardmembers and Superintendent, In listening to many teacher's concerns about doing their jobs, whether we "return together" or teach remotely, it strikes me how debilitating it is that teachers are either tasked with or unsupported in figuring out the many planning, procurement and technical obstacles that get in the way of doing their jobs, which is teaching our students. When I put on my military veteran hat and observe this dysfunction, I want to scream "Logistics!" In the Air Force, the top guns in the Strategic Air Command focus on being the very best fighter pilots, while the engineers in the Logistics Command design, plan, procure and deliver the infrastructure and materials that are need to carry out the strategic mission. Where is the Logistical Education Command that should be springing into action to



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| Name:    | Gloria Lomeli   |
| Comment: | Good Evening Board Members and Superintendent Aguilar,<br><br>As a parent of a daughter at MLK, the new realities of education are some... While I<br><br>I a<br><br>8 - 2020 |

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| Name: | Jame Vaca |
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Comment: yes

Speaking as: Community Member

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Name Emily Warmerdam

Comment: My eyes are wide open. When our living rooms became our classrooms, the performance of our teachers was on full display. The disparity between teachers--within the same schools and even across the same grade level--was appalling and unacceptable.

Nobody could have been prepared for the closure of schools in April. District had

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| Name: | Tammy McCarley |
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Comment: Dear Board of SCUSD ~

On June 24th, East Sac Little League (ESLL) submitted a Return to Play safety plan to the district for review and approval for use of the three baseball/softball diamonds located behind Phoebe Hearst Elementary for Youth Sports Conditioning programs of 10 individuals or less. The permit for use of these fields by ESLL was active at the time of the shutdown in early March. A request for permit was also submitted in early March for the fall months.

The ESLL Return to Play plan was reviewed and approved by Dr. Peter Beilenson, Director of Public Health for Sacramento County, on June 24th and confirmed again by phone on July 2nd, 2020.

The youth of our community are suffering from a complete lack of physical and psychological stimulation during this time. With the recent cancellation of in-school instruction for the fall, the need is further amplified.

East Sac Little League, acting as a completely separate non-profit entity from the Sacramento City Unified School District, seeks to offer a safe, outdoor, distanced opportunity for our youth to exercise their bodies and minds. We have built and installed hand washing and sanitizer stations, and constructed distancing screens and



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We respectfully request the approval of SCUSD to regain access via the M Street entrance to the field complex at Phoebe Hearst specifically, and only, for use by ESLL for Youth Sports conditioning.

We sincerely hope you will approve our request and thank you in advance for your consideration.

In health ~

Tammy McCarley

President, East Sac Little League

Speaking as: President, East Sacramento Little League

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Name: Rich Vasquez

Comment: Good evening President Ryan, Superintendent A Miller and members of the board. Thank

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you SCUSD for your efforts to get our schools to Return to Together. I was not hopeful as we do not understand Covid completely but did not want to accept the reality that we will be returning to distance learning because distance learning SUCKED and no more gyms, fields, auditoriums, events, meetings means no more safe haven. I must now do so. I understand it is the right decision. Thank you for letting it be known that families do

kids attend the same high school? I know this is the least of your worries at the time but I need to SPEAK MY TRUTH in hopes that the next single father living generational poverty, being uneducated , wanting so bad better for his girls to not be treated in a way

that no schoolite doesn't feel like a scold. I'm tired of being the only one  
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| Name:    | Maria Rodriguez  |
| Comment: | President Ryan, Superintendent Aguilar, and Members of the School Board, thank you for your work and dedication to the students of Sacramento. |

Speaking as: Community Member

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