

David Lubin PTG Meeting Minutes

May 21, 2019

6:30 pm

Special Guest (Leticia Garcia):

Ms. Garcia represents David Lubin and Area 2. Ms. Garcia was elected to office in the last election and has been serving us for the last 5 months. She has been working to help find solutions to the budget crisis. Ms. Garcia has two fourth grade students at Phoebe Hearst.

Budget - last Thursday we had a robust hearing. Ms. Garcia was delighted to see so many parents present. Public comment went well over 2 hours.

Ms. Garcia spoke about the new parent group, Parents United to Restore Our Schools. This parent group has done a good job digging into the information presented by the district.

Ms. Garcia stated that Interim Report 3 came back with better numbers but did not show the elimination of the budget problems. We still have to address a 29 million dollar deficit by June 30, 2020. We need to engage with our labor partners to come up with better solutions. Many savings were found in the Interim Report. Special Education was over-appropriated 5 million dollars. This does not mean a reduction of services for students, just over-appropriated. We are still in deficit spending.

Ms. Garcia stated she has learned three things:

1. Our crisis is deep and urgent,
2. We have lost a year in terms of finding solutions because the District moved too slowly,
3. This is a solvable problem.

Additionally, Receivership is not an option. Districts that have gone insolvent are no better off today than they were when they started insolvency. We need to find ways to bring in additional revenue but we can't do that until our fiscal house is in order.

At this time, the additional funds will not effect layoffs.

Principal's Report (Mr. Dixon):

We are still deficit spending. Even though we found 31 million dollars, we are only at a 2% reserve. The target is 4%. We are in the position we are in because of inaction. The county has been warning us for years about this issue. Currently, 91 cents on the dollar goes to salary and benefits. That number has to change. Even if savings are realized, we still need to find more dollars.

Mr. Dixon expressed concern over the urgency will now dissipate because of this found money. We need to elevate the parent voice. Parents United to Restore Our Schools is a parent group that is focusing on ensuring we don't go into receivership. Informed parents are key to holding all entities accountable. It is important to be informed and read source materials.

Their next meeting is June 3 @ 6:00 pm at Oakridge Elementary School.

President's Report (Sarah Phillips):

Presentation of 2019-2020 PTG Board

- Sarah Phillips - President
- Erin Brown - Vice President
- Treasurer - Josette Cuevas
- Secretary - Natalie Tamblyn
- Parliamentarian - Caroline Kilvein
- Members at Large - Jaz Rae, John Zona, Libby Sanchez, Elizabeth Ekdahl
- Teacher Representatives - Ms Williams and Ms Augusta

*Volunteer Opportunities - **email lubinptg@gmail.com for more information***

- DLMT - Volunteer Coordinator. Jennifer Augusta is stepping down. We need to fill the volunteer coordinator position. The coordinator would work with Sacramento Theater Company (STC) and help coordinate the program her on campus.
- Garden Tour Subcommittees - We have a number of positions open on the committee. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year.

Fundraiser and Campus Updates

East Sac Garden Tour Update

- Our preliminary total this year is \$54,000.

1st Wednesday

- June 5th
- Buckhorn Grill on 18th and L St.
- Flier will be required. 20% of your purchase goes back to David Lubin.

Yearbook

- Deadlines for orders are June 1st.
- They are \$18.

Box Tops

- Box Tops are due May 24 to be eligible for class prizes.
- Ms. Kane collects Box Tops all year long.

Open House - May 28 (5:30 pm - 7:00 pm)

- This is a great opportunity to see what your children have done over the last year.
- You can tour classes for the coming year as well.

Book Fair - May 28 - May 31

- This will be coming at the end of May during our Open House week.
- 8:45 am - 3:30 pm

Lubinpalooza - June 7

- A musical festival on our school lawn.
- We will have food on sale and lots of music.
- Bring a blanket, relax, and enjoy music with friends and family.

Our next meeting will be in September.