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Newth Morris	I again urge you to keep Jeff Dixon on as Interim Superintendent. He is qualified, very familiar with the district and is the best option to provide continuity until the full time superintendent is hired
Anonymous	<p>PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE STOP THE TOTALLY UNNECESSARY DISRUPTIONS AND DERAILING OF OUR SCHOOL DISTRICT. Please appoint Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent.</p> <p>He would function very well. He is known in the district and in the community. He has already shown his professionalism as evidenced by his behavior at recent meetings. You have the power to take efficient action and his appointment makes the most sense.</p> <p>After this is done, please begin the process of finding an appropriate permanent solution, doing it in a transparent way, both ethically and legally.</p>
Jason Olin	<p>Please appoint Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent. He is highly well regarded by district staff and faculty. His behavior at the last school board meeting was exceptional, and he appeared to manage well the challenging communications directed at him. Note that the delay in appointing him creates unnecessary instability, for example, delaying the activities to search and hire a full-time superintendent.</p> <p>I write as both a resident and as a parent with a student enrolled at TMS.</p>
Andy	I'm writing in support of Jeff Dixon. I've been impressed by his commitment and ability to lead which is what the community needs. Please select Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent. Thank you.
Erin Berryman	Please do what is solely your responsibility - supporting staff and LBUSD students - by appointing immediately, Jeff Dixon, as interim superintendent. This action will provide stability and respected leadership so you can focus on your priorities to help students and work on the more arduous and crucial task of hiring a permanent superintendent. Thank for your time and consideration.
Peggy Wolf	I urge the LBUSD School Board to choose Jeff Dixon as permanent Interim Superintendent for our schools. Jeff has the experience and knowledge to lead our district through this transition. He has the respect of staff as well. He puts the mission of students and a high quality education above all. He is a true professional. He is the best choice to take our district through the Superintendent search. He will also lead with stability, which is what we need right now. Please finalize Jeff Dixon as the Interim Superintendent to lead our district with care. Thank you -
Carolyn chudy	I choose Jeff Dixon
Concerned Citizen	I support the appointment of Jeff Dixon as Interim (if he still wants the job after last Thursday's fiasco). More importantly, I have many concerns about the two new members who have exhibited appalling behavior at every meeting since being elected. Last meeting: Sheri began to denigrate the work of our communications staff publicly, and Howard continued in addition to blaming Mr. Dixon for the chaos that ensued. Staff is not subject to evaluative comments in a public meeting, and this was a first for any board meeting I have seen. For two staff members to defend themselves and their colleagues--against the board--at the mic is unprecedented. In addition, Howard revealed he had talked to Joanne Culverhouse, another breach of confidentiality, thus connecting himself to Leadership Consultants before his swearing in even though he was subject to The Brown Act on November 27th. So many violations already, and given his indictment in 2006 as revealed in the paper, this is not a person we want around the children or the funding of LBUSD. He is not a role model, nor is he capable of following the rules or adhering to common sense and decency. He deflects all of his abhorrent behavior on others, and sorry board, these meetings are YOURS. Everyone else, including admin, is a spectator. I would hope Mr. Hills would resign in the face of his blatant disregard for his position and the decorum required of an elected official, especially one in charge of our public schools. Shameful.

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Anonymous	<p>Mr. Dixon has dedicated a decade of service to our district and is well-respected by staff, students, and the community.</p> <p>His familiarity with district operations will provide what our district truly needs during this time.</p> <p>Overwhelming Community Support: The school board received an overwhelming response during the last closed session advocating for Mr. Dixon's appointment, this support has grown.</p> <p>Despite this, the board delayed making a decision, creating further disorganization and prolonging instability. This is unnecessary and through this action, confirming Mr. Dixon, the board can help soothe the worried LBUSD community.</p> <p>Stability and Continuity: Mr. Dixon's appointment minimizes disruption to district operations, supports staff, and maintains the trust of teachers, unions, and the broader community.</p> <p>Both teacher unions have expressed their support for Mr. Dixon, highlighting his ability to unite and lead effectively.</p> <p>Proven Leadership: During the most recent school board meeting, Mr. Dixon demonstrated his capability, professionalism, and knowledge.</p> <p>His calm and composed demeanor stood out, even when faced with criticism of staff and derailment of agendas by board members.</p> <p>Focus on Future Priorities With Mr. Dixon in place as interim superintendent, the school board can IMMEDIATELY turn its full attention to the deeply important process of: Selecting a search firm for the permanent superintendent.</p>
Meredith McMahon	<p>I urge you to immediately appoint Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent of Laguna Beach Unified School District. His experience, dedication, and leadership make him the ideal candidate for this critical role during this transitional period.</p> <p>Mr. Dixon has spent years working within the district, building trust and respect across all levels—students, staff, and the community. His deep understanding of district operations allows him to step into this position without delay, ensuring continuity and stability for our schools.</p> <p>The community is overwhelmingly supportive of Mr. Dixon's appointment, and his leadership will restore confidence and focus to our district. The uncertainty caused by the delay in appointing an interim leader has impacted staff morale and the effectiveness of our schools.</p> <p>By appointing Mr. Dixon, the board can move forward with the important process of selecting a permanent superintendent, while ensuring that daily operations remain uninterrupted. His proven ability to unite diverse groups and lead under pressure makes him the right choice.</p> <p>I strongly urge you to act now to appoint Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent, providing the stability our district needs.</p>
Dorian Workman	<p>Although I'm newer to the community, I've quickly come to appreciate how much this district values stability, transparency, and strong leadership. From what I've observed, Mr. Dixon has earned the trust of teachers, staff, and parents through his years of service to the district. His deep knowledge of the challenges we face, along with his proven leadership, make him the right choice to guide us through this transition.</p> <p>The ongoing delay in appointing an Interim Superintendent has left many in the community uncertain about the future. I have seen firsthand how this uncertainty impacts both staff morale and the focus on our students' needs. Mr. Dixon's leadership would help restore the stability and direction we need.</p> <p>I respectfully urge the board to act quickly and appoint Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent. This will allow the district to move forward, while ensuring our schools remain focused on their core mission—educating and supporting our students.</p>

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Parent in the District	<p>After watching the first few meetings with this board majority I beg you, please manage how much Hills and Morgan speak at meetings and stop them from disparaging staff. Hills is out of line, and he also makes zero sense. President Perry seems incompetent at running these meetings and managing Hills and Morgan. She allows them to disparage staff and talk over parents. They also never take accountability for their actions, nor does Perry. They seem to want to throw others under the bus instead of apologizing. The three of them ALWAYS have an excuse for their bad behavior. They set a terrible example for the students in our district.</p> <p>I would also like to request that President Perry call out hecklers and rude audience members. She allows for the Sensible Laguna bullies to shout out rude comments and intimidate. This is unacceptable. Set ground rules and enforce them. Are you too beholden to them for the board majority so you tolerate or promote their abusive behavior in the meetings (and online!)?</p> <p>Trust the LBUSD staff to know how to create and manage the agenda. They have the knowledge, training and experience. Perry, Hills and Morgan need to stop creating their own personal grievance agenda with hidden motives and get back to running the school district with student and education focused agendas. Trust the staff! Treat them with respect. The agenda is not your personal vendetta space.</p>
Jennifer	Please select Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent.
Amanda Alden	I strongly urge the Board to appoint Mr. Dixon as interim superintendent. I have listened to the last 5 board meetings, and spoken with numerous stakeholders, all of whom without hesitation commend Mr. Dixon for the work he has done for the District over the last decade. He seems to be an obvious choice and I'm not sure why this action was not taken weeks ago. I believe we all agree that finding a permanent superintendent is of paramount importance. Any qualified candidate for a permanent position would seek a district that is stable and not in chaos. Appointing anyone other than the candidate who is widely supported by staff, teachers and parents would be a mistake in my opinion.
Ryan	The parents are following the boards actions closely and urge the elected LBUSB to confirm Jeff Dixon as the interim Superintendent. Please do not delay this process any further. The strength and voices of the parents should be recognized and respected. We want what is best for the students and we feel Mr Dixon is best suited.
Leslie Elliott	Mr. Dixon should be immediately hired as interim superintendent. He has institutional knowledge, decade-long service, and established relationships within the district, ensuring stability during a transitional period. Mr. Dixon will provide continuity and familiarity, which will be critical for maintaining operations without the learning curve required for external candidates. Additionally, hiring internally avoids unnecessary costs and time associated with an external search for a temporary position.
Christina	<p>This district is the best in Orange County, but it doesn't happen overnight. It's the result of hiring and retaining quality staff who care and giving them the resources to do what's best for students. Actions speak louder than words.</p> <p>This board claims to care about kids, staff, and retaining a good superintendent, but actions tell a different story. In just three meetings, you've made staff cry, upset them, and undermined their hard work. Morale is low because it's clear you're not student-centered. We've lost trust.</p> <p>Mrs. Morgan made a public request for a list of teachers who don't live in Laguna Beach, as if where they live affects their dedication. She showed she doesn't care about those who didn't vote for her. Her elitist views are clear.</p> <p>Your actions have been petty, mean-spirited, and, most troubling, not in the best interest of students. If this is how you act publicly, how do you behave privately? The dais is not your axe grinder.</p> <p>Your inability to work together—like with the firm selection—is another example. Dr. Malczewski suggested narrowing the choices to give the public a clean slate. This firm needs to recuse themselves for sake of their reputation.</p> <p>President Perry, whom I've watched for years, seems to care. I hope she continues advocating for our kids. Stop claiming you're "just doing what you're told." Focus on improvement in your new role (which you clearly have) and continue to be an advocate for our students.</p>
David L	I full support Jeff Dixon as the Interim Superintendent. He is extremely well respected, qualified and knowledgeable.
	Please select Joe Dixon as interim superintendent
Behnaz Khakpour	Please select Jeff Dixon as superintendent. Thanks
Kristin Torun	Support of Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent

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Jim Gundersen	Since 1970's my kids/grandkids have been a part of this school district. Writing to support support Jeff Dixon as the interim superintendent.
Turgan Torun	Support Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent
Lisa Abaid	I support the appointment of Jeff Dixon as thr interim superintendent. Thank you
Stephen Barber	Jeff Dixon should be appointed Interim Superintendent by the Laguna Beach USD School Board.
Tara	The school board must prioritize the immediate appointment of Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent to provide stability and leadership during this transitional period. His leadership and experience have been proven, the community is in support of Jeff Dixon. Please move forward with the appointment.
Anonymous	I support the appointment of Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent. We need someone familiar with and invested in the success of our district since the board has caused division like I have never seen before in the community. A new person would probably quit after one meeting. I can see why the former Superintendent left (he was not fired) and why Dr. Culverhouse withdrew her application after the first meeting. I don't think the two new members realize how bad they are or how poorly they are perceived by students and parents. They attacked the staff in a public meeting and didn't even properly apologize. And the president clearly does not know how to run a meeting even though she has been on the board for a decade. Board members talking out of turn (and FOREVER), new rules that are terrible and weren't voted on by the board, lack of understanding of how to set an agenda, run a meeting, or call for a vote. Embarrassing.
Elizabeth Kraft	Jeff Dixon
Patrick Newsum	Mr. Jeff Dixon
Barbara McMurray	Please appoint Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent asap to return order and continuity to our district.
Concerned citizen	Jeff Dixon as interim Superintendent. Listen to the citizens, not the inner circle. I know, I know. Listening is obviously really really difficult. But try. Please work to right this ship.
Anonymous	The choice is simple. Appoint Jeff Dixon as interim Superintendent. There is no one better who knows the district, its staff, and its workings. His knowledge and expertise more than make him qualified to hold this position.
Max	Please select Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent
Judy metez	Please select Jeff Dixon for interim superintendent!
Vince	I am submitting this comment as both a parent in the district and a staff member. I encourage the board to officially appoint Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent.  With over a decade of dedicated service to the district, Mr. Dixon's knowledge of our operations, professional leadership, and the respect he has earned from staff, students, and the community make him an excellent choice to guide us through this transition. The community has expressed strong support for his appointment, and confirming him in this role would bring much-needed stability to our district.  Appointing Mr. Dixon would allow the board to focus on the important work of selecting a search firm and beginning the process of hiring a permanent superintendent. I respectfully ask the board to prioritize this decision and move forward with his appointment.
Kristin Allison	Please select Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent
Michelle Cornell	I'm reaching out to urge the board to appoint Jeff Dixon as the interim superintendent. At this time, we need Jeff Dixon in that role to ensure the district is operating smoothly while the board focuses on the search for a permanent replacement. The staff, teachers and kids deserve to experience as little disruption as possible so the focus can remain on the education of and quality school experience for the students. Thank you!
John Brown	Please select Jeff Dixon to be Interim Superintendent. He has the experience, knowledge, and skill set to do the job well. He is respected by the staff and has overwhelming support from the community.
Stacey Holt	I'm urging the board to prioritize Jeff Dixon as the interim superintendent. With all the chaos and under-minding this new board has done so early in this term , Jeff will provide the STUDENTS, Staff and Parents with the stability and leadership needed during this transition period.
Shaheen Sheik-Sadhal	Please appoint Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent to provide stability and leadership during this transitional period. As many have said before, Mr. Dixon is experienced and dedicated. He is well respected by students, the community and staff. After last week's meeting, where staff was rightfully angered and aghast at a Board Member denigrating their work, Mr. Dixon would provide some much needed calm and trust at this otherwise volatile time. Mr. Dixon also has overwhelming community support - showed with the unprecedented public comments urging the Board to confirm him as Interim Super. He is capable and willing to support the District during this transitional period. It truly is the best balm for the LBUSD community if he is appointed Interim Super to steady the ship while we focus on the deeply important, transparent process of hiring a highly qualified, long-term superintendent. Thank you.

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Vivian Tran		Please select Jeff Dixon as a very able and competent current Interim Superintendent, thus allowing the board to focus on the more important and pressing job of hiring a permanent Superintendent
Scott Kibbey		I strongly support Mr. Dixon as the interim superintendent for Laguna Beach Unified School District. His leadership, dedication, and deep understanding of our student's needs make him an excellent choice to guide LBUSD during this transition.
		Jeff Dixon is the man for the job. He been great for LBUSD. We need his strong leadership.
Lisa Roberson-Beery		Please appoint Asst. Superintendent Jeff Dixon as our LBUSD interim Superintendent until a Superintendent is formally hired by our district. Mr. Dixon is well qualified for the job, has resounding community support from parents and teachers and will make an outstanding choice for this role.
Johnathan Roberson-Beery		Please hire Jeff Dixon to be our interim Superintendent. He is well qualified and his service to LBUSD over the course of many years has been outstanding.
		As a parent of two children in the Laguna Unified School District, I strongly support and encourage the interim appointment of Mr. Dixon.
John Alden		I strongly support selecting Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent.
Catalina Cicioiu		Please select Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent
Anonymous		Enough with the delay tactics already. This board is out of control and is not serving the best interest of the people OR the students at this point. Mr Jeff Dixon is clearly the best person for interim superintendent. Do not delay his appointment any longer. Thank you.
Laura Silver		I am a teacher for LBUSD and implore the board to retain Jeff Dixon as the Interim Superintendent. He is more than qualified and provides the most stable transition. Our staff, our students, and our community need you to find us the best superintendent out there. Please do not interrupt that process. Thank you.
Erika		Please vote for Dixon for superintendent so we can focus on the larger search of a permanent one.
Lauren Unterberger		Mr. Dixon should be appointed as interim superintendent without delay. His extensive institutional knowledge, years of dedicated service, and strong relationships within the district make him uniquely qualified to ensure stability during this transitional period. His leadership would provide continuity and familiarity, minimizing disruption and eliminating the steep learning curve an external candidate would face. Additionally, selecting an internal candidate saves both time and resources that would otherwise be spent on an external search and allow the district to move quickly into finding a superintendent.
Allison Trotter		Jeff Dixon
Graham Unterberger		Appointing Mr. Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent offers significant advantages, including continuity, stability, and cost efficiency. His extensive institutional knowledge, years of dedicated service, and strong relationships within the district position him to guide the school community effectively during this transition. Appointing Mr. Dixon's will minimize disruption and eliminate the learning curve associated with external hires, allowing the district to maintain focus on its goals to hire a permanent superintendent.
Michele Leighton		To the LBUSD; Please appoint Jeff Dixon interim Superintendent of our district now. He has years of experience and the support of our unions, faculty and staff. As a member of the community and active volunteer in the schools I request you act on this immediately.
Lisa Sadowski		Please officially appoint Jeff Dixon as interim super intendant. He has the experience we need and is dedicated to serving our community.
Justin Sadowski		Please officially appoint Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent. He has the experience we need and is dedicated to serving our community.
Paul		I support Jeff Dixon.

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Lauren Ezzell	<p>As a member of this community, I strongly urge the school board to appoint Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent without further delay.</p> <p>Mr. Dixon's decade of dedication to our district, along with his deep understanding of its operations, makes him the steady, reliable leader we need in this moment. His proven ability to unite teachers, unions, and the broader community is reflected in the overwhelming support he's received from all corners of LBUSD. Both teacher unions have endorsed him, and many voices in the community have already spoken up in favor of his appointment.</p> <p>By confirming Mr. Dixon, the board can minimize further disruption, restore stability, and allow the district to move forward confidently. His professionalism and leadership during recent board meetings were a testament to his readiness for this role, even in the face of challenges.</p> <p>With Mr. Dixon as interim superintendent, the board can immediately refocus on critical tasks like selecting a search firm and conducting a transparent process for hiring a permanent superintendent. Please prioritize the needs of our district and community by appointing Mr. Dixon and moving toward a stable and productive future.</p>
Michelle Longcore	<p>As a member of this community, I strongly urge the school board to appoint Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent without further delay.</p> <p>Mr. Dixon's decade of dedication to our district, along with his deep understanding of its operations, makes him the steady, reliable leader we need in this moment. His proven ability to unite teachers, unions, and the broader community is reflected in the overwhelming support he's received from all corners of LBUSD. Both teacher unions have endorsed him, and many voices in the community have already spoken up in favor of his appointment.</p> <p>By confirming Mr. Dixon, the board can minimize further disruption, restore stability, and allow the district to move forward confidently. His professionalism and leadership during recent board meetings were a testament to his readiness for this role, even in the face of challenges.</p> <p>With Mr. Dixon as interim superintendent, the board can immediately refocus on critical tasks like selecting a search firm and conducting a transparent process for hiring a permanent superintendent. Please prioritize the needs of our district and community by appointing Mr. Dixon and moving toward a stable and productive future.</p>
Austen Ezzell	<p>I fully support the appointment of Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent. His decade of service to our district, proven leadership, and overwhelming community support make him the clear choice for this role.</p> <p>Appointing Mr. Dixon will restore stability, minimize disruption, and allow the board to focus on the critical process of selecting a permanent superintendent. It's time to prioritize the needs of our district and move forward together.</p>
Andy Schoembs	
Mike Maruska	Support Jeff Dixon
Alison	<p>Please appoint Mr. Dixon Interim Superintendent. He is experienced and familiar with the district. He has the support of both teachers unions and wide support from the community as evidenced by the nearly 70 public comments submitted at the last meeting in support of his appointment. Mr. Dixon's appointment would minimize disruption to district operations, allow staff to do their jobs with effective day-to-day management, and — perhaps most importantly — signal to teachers, students, and the broader community that the Board actually wants a functioning district. I believe that each member of the Board cares about the students in the district. Unfortunately, recently the Board has not shown its self capable of even having an orderly, constructive meeting governed by civility and respect — let alone that it is capable of making practical and constructive decisions for the good of the district. Each member of the Board is now faced with an opportunity to course correct and set the district on a better path forward. I very much hope the Board takes that opportunity and names Mr. Dixon Interim Superintendent. Given Mr. Dixon's credentials, experience, and the overwhelming support for him in the community, the only conclusion one could draw from a decision NOT to appointment him is that the Board has a different priority than ensuring the smooth management of the district during the Superintendent search.</p>
Doosa Yanes	<p>Jeff Dixon should be interim superintendent. This will provide stability and leadership during this transitional period. If you place some one new by the time they learn the ropes of our district, it may be time for them to leave .</p>
Diane Gates	<p>I support Jeff Dixon as interline superintendent. I am submitting this in support of my grand children who got a terrific education .</p>

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Payal Avellan	<p>Honorable Board - thank you for your service. I am very concerned about the superintendent search. Mr. Dixon is an excellent interim who is capable, experienced, and supported by the parent and teacher communities. This idea of him serving as an interim interim is confounding and disturbing. At best it's sowing chaos or is a concerning shortsightedness and at worst it is delaying the process of moving forward with organizing a transparent search with public input for a permanent superintendent, which any reasonable person would identify as far more important. So which is it? Deliberate stalling? Trying to wear us out? Disorganization and not seeing beyond today? Something else entirely? In any case, please understand this is not a good look to those who were trying to give this new majority (who won by a slim margin) a chance. I respectfully ask that you continue with Mr. Dixon as an interim and move on to the very important process of public input for the permanent superintendent.</p>	
Elizabeth Manji	<p>I wish for Jeff Dixon to be nominated as interim superintendent. As a parent in Laguna Beach with a child at TOW I trust Jeff Dixon to represent fairly.</p>	
	<p>Jeff Dixon as interim please</p>	
Jenee Zamorano	<p>As a parent of two students in this school district, I strongly demand the immediate appointment of Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent. This decision is crucial to ensure stability and effective leadership during this transitional period. Mr. Dixon's appointment will minimize disruptions, support staff, and maintain the trust of teachers, unions, and the broader community.</p> <p>Both teacher unions have expressed their full support for Mr. Dixon, recognizing his ability to unite and lead effectively. With a decade of dedicated service to the district, Mr. Dixon is highly respected by staff, students, and the community. His deep understanding of district operations makes him the clear choice to provide the leadership necessary at this critical time. Do not delay further: appoint Mr. Dixon as Interim Superintendent. Thank you.</p>	
Kelly O'Brien	<p>Jeff Dixon</p>	
Karly Simpson	<p>I sincerely request the board appoints Mr. Jeff Dixon as the interim superintendent. Over the past 10 years he has demonstrated dedication to the district, staff, and students. Appointing Mr. Dixon is the smart decision and best for the students.</p>	
Carly Hobrecht	<p>As a member of this community, I wholeheartedly support the swift appointment of Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent. His ten years of unwavering commitment to our district, coupled with his deep understanding of its operations, make him the ideal choice to lead us through this transitional period. With endorsements from both teacher unions and strong backing from across the community, it's clear that Mr. Dixon has earned the trust of those who matter most.</p> <p>His leadership, professionalism, and ability to unite diverse groups within our district speak volumes about his readiness to step into this role. Appointing him now will provide the stability we desperately need, allowing the board to focus on selecting a permanent superintendent through a thoughtful and transparent process. Let's act quickly and ensure a smooth, productive future for our schools by confirming Jeff Dixon's appointment.</p>	
Dave Hobrecht	<p>I fully support appointing Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent. His decade of experience in our district, along with strong backing from both teacher unions and the community, makes him the right leader for this moment. His professionalism and ability to unite diverse groups show he's ready for the role. Appointing Mr. Dixon now will bring much-needed stability and allow the board to focus on finding a permanent superintendent. Let's move forward and ensure a productive future for our schools.</p>	
Lauren Boeck	<p>Hello board members. I would like to respectfully ask that you select Jeff Dixon to serve as the interim superintendent as the search continues to hire a search firm to aid in the process to hire someone to fill the role more permanently. I believe the most important thing right now for our students, staff and community is consistency in our schools. Mr. Dixon was a part of the process to determine the goals for the school year and is a professional educational leader that has obviously earned the respect of staff. I fear if another interim is selected, it will create an unnecessary disruption that will very likely have an impact on the educational experience of my three children. Thank you.</p>	
Jack	<p>Jeff Dixon should be appointed as interim superintendent. We need consistency in our schools right now. Bringing someone else in at this point will only cause more disruption.</p>	
Rob Elliott	<p>I am writing to advocate for Jeff Dixon's appointment as interim superintendent. His extensive qualifications, institutional knowledge, and established positive relationships within the district make him the ideal candidate for this role.</p> <p>Mr. Dixon's familiarity with the district ensures continuity and stability during this transitional period. His leadership would provide the steady guidance needed to maintain focus on the district's goals and operations without disruption. Moreover, appointing Mr. Dixon would save valuable time and resources, allowing the district to concentrate on conducting a thorough and effective search for a superintendent.</p>	
Bryan Harper	<p>Please move forward with appointing Mr Dixon. Ample time has been wasted by board led fiascos, lack of knowledge of process and what appears to be alternative agendas other than supporting the LBUSD staff and students. Please put the staff and students interest first and move beyond the petty and unprofessional conduct exhibited by the new board member and elected president this term.</p>	

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Michael Gates, grandfather	I support Mr. Dixon
None	After witnessing the very unprofessional comments made by Hills and Morgan at the January 23rd meeting I implore both of you to understand that your fellow board members may comment regarding their opinion, position, concern about an agenda item and that is not a prompt for either of you to attempt to tell them they are out of order and argue the point. Each of you may offer comment and each of you has one vote. Wasting time during a meeting going back to the December 16th meeting is poor boardmanship. As you were told Hills---quit rehashing and move on. I hope both of you can internalize the thoughtful comment made by Mr. Arum---new members come in listening and learning what they don't know. You two have come in angry and it shows. Course correct.
Rebecca Wisot	Please select and approve Mr Dixon to Interim Superintendent; he is an outstanding asset to our community leadership. His guidance and partnership has proven positive and his commitment to this role would be stellar ensuring thriving success for our schools.
Aaron Peluso	I support Jeff Dixon for interim superintendent.
Anonymous	Please appoint Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent. His credentials and familiarity with LBUSD are of paramount importance during this interim period. Our children and the Community who ELECTED you, the members of the School Board, want a person who will provide a smooth transition while an OPEN AND TRANSPARENT search is conducted for a New Superintendent.
Ashley Malone	I am urging you to confirm Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent. He has the experience to lead us while you find a permanent superintendent.
William Nash	Please select Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent
Ian Smith	Jeff Dixon
LBUSD Teacher	Please select Jeff Dixon
Claire Pardun	I am urging you to confirm Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent. He has the experience to lead us while you find a permanent superintendent.
Nikki Romano	I urge you to keep Mr. Jeff Dixon as our interim Superintendent. After 15 years with LBUSD, I can confidently say he is fair, level-headed, and knowledgeable. His leadership is vital for providing stability during this transition.  The recent lack of cohesion among the board has created unease. For our staff to deliver the best educational experience for students, we need trust in our leadership. As CSEA Chapter 131 vice president, I've seen Mr. Dixon's calm demeanor and effective leadership in negotiations and other roles, and he inspires confidence.  Please retain Mr. Dixon as interim Superintendent while you search for a permanent leader. Thank you for considering my request.  Sincerely, Nikki Romao
Britt Strief	Please officially appoint Jeff Dixon as interim super intendant. He has the experience we need and is dedicated to serving our community. Thank you.
Meredith Baigrie	Please officially appoint Jeff Dixon as interim super intendant. He has the experience we need and is dedicated to serving our community.
	I am writing to express my strong support for the appointment of Mr. Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent. The recent school board meetings have been highly stressful and chaotic for many parents and community members, including myself. During the last school board meeting, Mr. Dixon consistently demonstrated qualities we need in a leader during this transition period where stability is imperative. By appointing Mr. Dixon as Interim Superintendent, the school board can immediately dedicate its full attention to the critical task of selecting a qualified search firm and defining a transparent and comprehensive process for finding the best possible permanent superintendent. I urge the board to prioritize the needs of our students and staff by selecting Mr. Dixon as Interim Superintendent.

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Cathy Adair	<p>The appointment of Interim Superintendent Jeff Dixon has been met with widespread support and confidence from the LBUSD community. His track record, familiarity with the district, and proven leadership make it clear that the immediate need for stable leadership has been met. Continuing to search for another interim superintendent wastes valuable time and resources. The board must now focus on the critical task of securing a permanent superintendent to ensure long-term stability and progress.</p> <p>An interim superintendent's role is to maintain continuity while the board strategically and thoughtfully selects permanent leadership. Pursuing another interim disrupts this process, risks delays in decision-making, and undermines progress on the district's challenges and opportunities.</p> <p>The board must act decisively by vetting and selecting a search firm to identify top candidates for permanent leadership. This approach demonstrates a commitment to the future, signaling to the community that the board is focused on progress and stability.</p> <p>Jeff Dixon's leadership provides a strong foundation for this critical work. Please do not look back or create distractions by reconsidering interim appointments. Dedicate your efforts to securing the right permanent leader to guide LBUSD forward.</p>
Kelly Kibbey	<p>I am writing to express my strong support for the selection of Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent. Mr. Dixon is exceptionally qualified for this role and has demonstrated the competence and leadership necessary to guide our district during this transitional period. His ability to collaborate, make informed decisions, and prioritize the best interests of students and staff ensures he is well-equipped to meet the demands of this important role.</p>
Julie Gersten	<p>Please select Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent. It's time for the school board to put politics aside. Selecting Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent will minimize disruption and place a highly effective leader in charge so that the school board can focus on their primary responsibility- hiring the best superintendent for our district.</p>
Anne Hogan	Jeff Dixon
Jennifer Cohrs	Please select Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent
Megan Hilliard	<p>Dear Members of the School Board,</p> <p>I am writing to once again voice my strong support for Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent as you prepare to reconvene. It is my hope that the Board recognizes the urgency of this decision and the importance of moving forward with leadership that provides both progress and alignment for our district.</p> <p>Jeff Dixon has been an integral part of LBUSD's success for years. His dedication, expertise, and firsthand knowledge of the needs of our students, staff, and families make him the clear choice to serve in this transitional role.</p> <p>Delaying this decision or failing to unify behind a leader of Jeff's caliber risks leaving our district in limbo at a critical time, with potential negative impacts on our students' experience and opportunities. Why would any of us want that?</p> <p>I encourage the Board to put differences aside and approach this decision through an honest analysis. Does any other candidate possess Jeff's combination of institutional knowledge, proven commitment, and ability to integrate with an incoming superintendent when that time comes? How could a choice other than Dixon best serve the interests of our students and staff, especially when what they need now is stability and seamless leadership?</p> <p>I trust you will see that Jeff Dixon is the candidate who embodies those priorities and vote to appoint him as Interim Superintendent without further delay.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration.</p> <p>Sincerely, Megan Hilliard Parent of LBUSD student</p>
Greg Sharenow	<p>I'm writing in support of Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent. We value his work and the continuity he would bring. My son mentioned randomly in the car this afternoon that he felt like some teachers have been impacted and are distracted by the uncertainty. I see no reason to add a new moving piece to the administrative puzzle until a full time person is hired. Please make things simple and focus on more important topics related to educating our children.</p>
Jennifer Henderson	Jeff Dixon please for interim Superintendent

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	<p>Find some common ground and select Dixon for your interim supt. for the remainder of the 24-25 year. Use it as a opportunity to demonstrate faith in our staff, by your unified actions, especially given your recent staff criticisms.</p> <p>Dixon is a wonderful choice: articulate, respected, experienced. In every single interaction I had with him, he was polite, prepared and patient. What a great combination of skills to work with this new board. He will seek to understand your point of view. I am certain he can help bring new board members up to speed on existing projects and initiatives in a way that empowers their decision making and unifies the board again in purpose.</p> <p>You have the more important task ahead: the permanent supt. search. Being a board member is exhausting and it is showing on all 5 of you. Move forward and show everyone that you can focus on the most pressing things.</p> <p>Note the decision of Irvine Unified, neighboring district going through a leadership transition with a very similar timeline, to have seamlessly already appointed Cassie Parham over 30 days ago. Similar to Dixon, Parham is an experienced assistant supt. known and trusted by her internal colleagues and was appointed on Dec. 17, 2024.</p> <p>The community is looking for leadership. What a perfect opportunity to show them some. Let's get going.</p>
Sarah Alhafidh	Jeff Dixon should be appointed. Also, Board sessions need to be conducted with respect and board members should prepare prior to sessions to ensure the best use of time and increase the chance for productive outcomes for all students and their families.
JACOB BUGBEE	Jeff Dixon
Anonymous	Please appoint Mr. Dixon as Interim Superintendent and move on to the task of finding an exceptional Superintendent for our district.
Kristine Flynn	As a district parent for over 11 consecutive years now, I urge you to please consider the immediate appointment of Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent. He is prepared and qualified to continue as interim, and his appointment will minimize further disruption to our district and the main goal of student education.
Carol Moss	Jeff Dixon's leadership is exactly what LBUUSD needs right now—please keep him in place and prioritize hiring a permanent superintendent.
Mike	I am writing to implore the board to select Mr Dixon as the Interim Superintendent for LBUUSD at this time. Jeff Dixon has shown incredible organization, communication and leadership while serving in our district the last 12 years. He has the support of parents, students and staff members who have seen his hard work displayed at board meetings and day in in day out at the district office. With the new board members there has been a sense of unease, fear and great concern over the future of the district. You inherited the number one academically performing school in Orange County, selecting Jeff Dixon would continue that excellent trajectory and create stability at the district office. You obviously see his value as you unanimously chose him to be the Interim Interim Superintendent. This move would also show that you support the current hard working staff/team at the district, something that recently was questioned by comments made during our last board meeting. Not only would Mr. Dixon do a great job as Interim superintendent it would go a long way to show that you, as board members, are listening to your staff and community members, care for what is best for our students and desire a more smooth governance of the district. The more chaos you sow within the parents and invested community members the more you create the appearance of dysfunction on our school board. This dysfunction will only make finding an excellent full time Superintendent that much more difficult.
Jill Guziak	Jeff Dixon
Teacher - LBHS	Jeff Dixon is the only candidate you should be considering for Interim Superintendent. After three extremely embarrassing board meetings, the board needs to get one thing right by keeping Jeff Dixon on as Interim. It is what the public and staff at LBUUSD want. Howard, Dee, and Sheri - listen instead of preach for once!
Noelle Gamber	Jeff Dixon
Jenny Marshall	I urge you to confirm Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent. He is the most qualified for the job.
Caroline Wilson	Please keep Jeff Dixon
Anonymous	Please hear the overwhelming support being thrown behind Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent and recognize this is the appropriate decision. I, too, support Jeff Dixon's appointment.
	Mr. Dixon should continue in his role as interim until a permanent superintendent is found. He is the best most competent option. We need to move forward in the process to find a permanent superintendent.

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Kerry Pellow	keep him
Annie Bochenek-El Morro Teacher	<p>Good evening, members of the school board,</p> <p>My name is Annie Bochenek, and I come before you tonight as both a teacher in this district and a parent of two children who attend our schools. I'm speaking in support of keeping Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent.</p> <p>As a teacher and parent, I am confident in his ability to continue prioritizing what's best for our students. Keeping Mr. Dixon in this role will ensure that the progress we've made as a district doesn't lose momentum.</p> <p>Thank you for your time and for considering the voices of parents, teachers, and the community as you make this important decision.</p>
Scott Wittkop	<p>Dear Members of the Board,</p> <p>I am writing to express my disappointment with the tone and conduct of the last three board meetings. The lack of unity and collaboration is troubling, especially given the importance of your role in leading our district. It is essential that the board comes together and works cohesively to prioritize the best interests of all students.</p> <p>That being said, I would like to strongly recommend that Jeff Dixon remain as interim superintendent until a permanent candidate is hired. Stability in leadership is crucial during this transitional period, and his continued service would provide consistency for our students, staff, and community.</p> <p>Additionally, I want to remind the board that many prospective superintendent candidates are likely observing our meetings. The current level of discord does not reflect positively on our district or inspire confidence in our ability to provide a supportive environment for leadership or collaboration.</p> <p>I urge the board to refocus its efforts on fostering unity and professionalism to move our district forward effectively.</p> <p>Thank you for your time and thoughtful consideration of these matters.</p> <p>Sincerely,</p> <p>Scott Wittkop</p>
Amanda	Please select Jeff Dixon
Katie Rootlieb	Jeff Dixon
Nicole Hennessy	Jeff Dixon
Jeff Dippel	Jeff Dixon should keep his role as the interim superintendent. I have been with the district over 10 years now and have watched Jeff grow professionally each year he has been in LBUSD. Not only that, I believe changing another superintendent mid-year would be detrimental to both students and staff.
Teacher	<p>I am writing to express my disappointment regarding the board's decision not to appoint Mr. Dixon as interim superintendent. His leadership would have instilled a greater sense of comfort among our staff and teachers, given our familiarity with his contributions to the district. I urge the board to consider the implications of such decisions, as they significantly affect the broader community of educators and support staff.</p> <p>Thank you for your attention to this matter.</p>
Ivy Leighton- TMS teacher	I implore you to please, PLEASE, focus your energy on finding a permanent superintendent, and keep Jeff Dixon on as the interim superintendent. Mr. Dixon is an excellent choice, he is extremely knowledgeable, aware of our community and student body and will best represent the students and staff of our schools. You all speak of him highly and applaud his strengths, why is that not enough for a decision to be made? We have an excellent candidate already in place, can we please move forward from here and focus on the crucial task of finding a superintendent that will represent our students well and work on their behalf. Thank you.
Chelsea Kennedy	I am writing to voice support and urgency in the immediate selection of Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent for our district. Please prioritize stability and qualified leadership for our schools, students, staff, and community.

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Cama Stevens	I urge the School Board to seriously consider retaining Mr. Dixon as our permanent superintendent. He has proven himself to be a valuable asset to our community, and I believe he is the right leader to guide our district towards continued success. We are already half way through the year and wasting precious time on finding an interim (when we have a completely capable one now) is ridiculous. Please concentrate on finding a permanent superintendent at this point and let Mr. Dixon continue as interim since he is familiar with Laguna Beach's procedures and high standards.
Mark Alvarez	I have had the pleasure of working with Jeff Dixon for the past 10 years, and he has consistently demonstrated professionalism of the highest caliber. Throughout our time working together, particularly in negotiations, Jeff has navigated both good times and challenging situations with exceptional skill and grace. I strongly endorse Jeff for the position of interim superintendent. The district would be fortunate to have him in this role.
Nick McConnell	I commend the board for acting promptly to appoint Mr. Dixon as the Interim Superintendent. Your decision reflects a clear confidence in Mr. Dixon's abilities, and I encourage the board to formally affirm his capability by naming him the official Interim Superintendent.
Amanda Vander Veen	I would like to include a comment encouraging the board to allow Jeff Dixon to remain our interim superintendent to keep our district running as smoothly as possible so the focus can be finding a new permanent superintendent. Thank you!
Jun Shen	<p>Dear Board Members,</p> <p>At a tumultuous time such as now, we staff members need continuity and stability. Jeff Dixon has been a known and trusted member of our District Leadership team for many years. I personally, as EdTech TOSA, have worked closely with 5 superintendents, 3 CTO's, and many more Assistant Superintendents in the last 20 years. I can firmly say that the current leadership team established by former Superintendent Vioria is the most visionary, student-focused, professional, and capable team in the last 20 years. I urge you to stay the course, beginning with keeping Jeff Dixon in the leadership role until a permanent superintendent is found, hopefully one that continues the great work we've accomplished in the last decade.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration!</p>
Nathan McConnell	Please select Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent.
LBHS Teacher	I would like to express my support for Mr. Dixon continuing in his role as interim superintendent until a permanent replacement is found. His dual role as superintendent of business services uniquely positions him to ensure a seamless transition with minimal disruption to our school community. His familiarity with our district's operations, staff, and goals will provide the stability we need during this period of change. Thank you for considering what's best for our students, staff, and families by supporting continuity and leadership through Mr. Dixon
Christina Seaman	Please select Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent
Maryam Rouhi	I support Jeff Dixon
Tiba Rouhi	I wholeheartedly support Jeff Dixon as the Interim Superintendent during this critical time of transition for our District.
Sara Hopper	Please keep Jeff Dixon as our interim superintendent.
Lawrence Kim Mcconnell	Please choose Jeff Dixon for superintendent. He is the best choice by far!
Ayesha Mahapatra (Pronounced "eye-sha")	Good afternoon. I am the current Board President for the Boys and Girls Club of Laguna Beach as well as a parent to two students who attend school in LBUSD. I am writing in support of appointing Jeff Dixon as the Interim Superintendent. The Boys and Girls Club has enjoyed years of wonderful collaboration with the district to provide after-school support for children of working parents and families who are otherwise unable to afford the high (and increasing) cost of after-school care. The Club also provides essential on-campus support during school hours. Mr. Dixon is aware of the various contracts we have with the district and is uniquely equipped to keep funding for those services to continue to flow uninterrupted. As the Club gears up for the summer session on-campus as well as its summer programs within the Bluebird and Canyon Clubs, I urge the Board to consider keeping disruption to a minimum during this critical time. Thank you.
Chantale Mcconnell	I support Jeff Dixon for superintendent. Please vote for him. He is by far the best choice. Thank You!
	Mr. Dixon is a fine interim superintendent. It is not worth the time and money to find a replacement for only 4 months of school. The time would be much better spent finding a permanent replacement for the following school year. Please stop wasting time and money on this pursuit and leave Mr. Dixon in place for the rest of the school year. He is fully integrated into the district already and will be more effective than an interim that has to be caught up on the history of our school district.
Jesse Rothman	Please keep things as is with our interim superintendent Dixon. We need to have a permanent one as well, as soon as possible. No one, and I mean no one, from the board should be appointed.
Kari Damato	As a teacher and parent in the district, I am in support of Mr. Dixon continuing in his role as interim superintendent until a permanent one can be found.

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Tom Simpson	Jeff Dixon has earned the trust and confidence of the LBUSD community, making additional delays or distractions in interim leadership unnecessary.
Thasa Zuziak	<p>I am writing to express my concerns and disappointment regarding the lack of resolution following the January 16th Closed Session meeting. Despite overwhelming community support for Mr. Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent, no decision was made, which is disheartening.</p> <p>The community has been clear in its endorsement of Mr. Dixon. It is troubling that this strong sentiment appears to have been overlooked, especially when no opposition exists. Previously, Mr. Hills passionately supported another candidate, citing alignment with community interests. Why hasn't Mr. Dixon received similar consideration, given the abundance of support for him?</p> <p>I urge the board to set aside personal disagreements and focus on your responsibility to the community. Appointing Mr. Dixon would build positive momentum and foster respect and value among all parties. Criticism or public evaluation of staff harms morale and creates an unwelcoming environment, especially for potential candidates in critical roles.</p> <p>To find the right superintendent, we must present our organization positively and demonstrate unity. I suggest resetting our approach, prioritizing positive, constructive public meetings that reflect our shared goals and supportive culture.</p> <p>In conclusion, we must move forward in selecting a permanent superintendent who embodies dedication and integrity.</p> <p>Thank you, Thasa Zuziak CSEA Chapter 131 President</p>
Community member	Mr. Jeff Dixon as an interim Superintendent. He is experienced and dedicated.
Chris	Please do what is right for our staff and students. Please keep the continuity that we have. If our amazing staff feels unsupported and leaves there will be a community uproar. It is a very short period of time until we have a full superintendent. Do not rock the boat and Cause such divisive mess for no reason.
	In the Jan 27 School Board closed session, I urge the Board to SELECT JEFF DIXON AS THE INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT. I am a resident of Laguna Beach with children in the LBUSD schools. Jeff has been exemplary in his roles with the district to-date and has earned the public's trust to be a great interim superintendent until a permanent selection can be made. Selecting Jeff will allow the district to focus its attention on the full time search effort. Please don't belabor this effort requiring further district and community resources to be spent on this interim sup selection.
Robin Mahapatra	<p>I strongly support the appointment of Jeff Dixon as the interim superintendent for Laguna Beach. Jeff brings a wealth of experience, including his time as Assistant Superintendent in the Business Services Division, where he demonstrated outstanding leadership in managing the district's finances and operations. His proven track record of fiscal responsibility, combined with his deep knowledge of the district and its priorities, makes him uniquely qualified to take on this role with competence and efficiency.</p> <p>Additionally, Jeff's strong rapport with staff and his dedication to fostering a positive, collaborative environment have earned him widespread respect and trust. He understands the challenges and opportunities facing our district and is prepared to step in immediately to provide the stability and leadership we need during this transitional period.</p> <p>Unfortunately, it is also clear that some members of the board have repeatedly shown themselves to be ineffective in making timely and productive decisions. Delaying Jeff's appointment or introducing unnecessary obstacles to this process will only create further uncertainty for our students, staff, and families.</p> <p>I urge the board to prioritize the needs of our schools and community by appointing Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent without delay. His leadership and expertise are exactly what we need to move forward with confidence and focus.</p>
Kate Dillon	Dear school board please confirm Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent.

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CJ- Parent, taxpayer, teacher, colleague, and concerned citizen	<p>I'd like to share my perspective on the importance of stability and continuity as we move through the board member transition and the superintendent hiring process. Given the district's strong performance and reputation, I urge the board to consider appointing Jeff Dixon as the interim superintendent.</p> <p>As a proven leader within our district, Mr. Dixon already has a deep understanding of our schools, staff, students, and community needs. By appointing an internal leader with established relationships, the district can maintain consistency, trust, and momentum, rather than disrupting the progress we've made. This would allow the board time to conduct a thoughtful, transparent hiring process without rushing into a permanent decision.</p> <p>Additionally, promoting from within demonstrates confidence in the talented professionals already serving our district, ensuring that our schools continue to thrive under someone who knows the system and has a vested interest in its success.</p> <p>I encourage the board to prioritize stability, trust, and student success by enlisting Mr. Dixon for this role.</p> <p>Thank you for your time and commitment to our schools.</p>
Trish Martin	Dear school board please confirm Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent.
Morgan Lamb	I would like to put my voice in for Mr.Dixon to remain as interim until we can find a permanent superintendent. Mr.Dixon is very familiar with the school, district and community and know he is very capable of doing an amazing job for our school. Also keeping Mr.Dixon on will help streamline things and not delay the search for a permanent super any longer. Thank you and I also want to acknowledge the dedication and hard work everyone at LBUSD, especially our district, continues to do.
Erica Rahall	In an effort to keep continuity for our children and maintain positive staff morale, I would kindly ask that Mr. Dixon remain our LBUSD interim superintendent for the duration of the permanent superintendent pursuit process. He is fully capable and qualified to do so as a 14 year employee in LBUSD whereas building relationships and trust over those years. Mr. Dixon embodies many positive attributes that represent what our school district stands for like: being an effective communicator especially in respect to the facilities master plan, and a constructive collaborator and creative problem solver as demonstrated in numerous PTA meeting settings. Thank you.
Leilani	Please appoint Mr. Dixon to acting superintendent until a permanent superintendent can be hired. He is well qualified and very familiar with the district. Based on feed back from teachers and staff, who currently feel uneasy and have anxiety over the new changes, he would help maintain a healthy environment for them to work and do what they do best, teaching our kids. Please do what's best for the children and teachers. Disruption for another disruption down the road isn't necessary. I would like you to appoint Mr. Dixon as acting superintendent.
	I support Jeff Dixon to remain interim superintendent.
Paula Lopes	Writing to express my support for Mr. Dixon as the interim superintendent. It would be in the best interest of our schools to have his appointment made, he is a qualified candidate.
	Please select Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent
Bryan Carver Wright	in support of Jeff Dixon for interim superintendent.
Anonymous	<p>Please stop referring to Howard Hills as a "constitutional lawyer"--he is not a constitutional lawyer and not a lawyer. He attended Western State Law School here in Orange County. Western State was not even bar accredited when he attended and is universally regarded even today as one of the worst law schools in the state and country. He is NOT a member of the California bar and has never practiced constitutional law. He has given administrative advice and was indicted in Guam in connection with funneling money to a DC lobbyist. He was once a member of the Washington D.C. bar but was suspended from that bar and does not hold a legal license anywhere. Please do not rely on Mr. Hills for legal comment or advice, as he is not qualified, as shown most recently by the fiasco in which he mentioned a job candidate by name in violation of confidentiality norms, proper practice, and common sense.</p> <p>Also, occasionally someone says something about Howard Hills and Harvard. Mr. Hills attended an executive seminar at Harvard that was open to the public for a fee, and he has never attended any Harvard University undergraduate or graduate degree program, ever. Finally, he has no experience in education law at all. Please do not defer to Howard Hills on legal issues.</p>
Katy Miller	I support the immediate appointment of Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent to provide stability and leadership during this transitional period.
Krissy Landgraf	It is my wish that Jeff Dixon remain in the position of Interim Superintendent until a permanent Superintendent is found. As an employee of the District and a Board Member of CSEA, I have no doubt that Jeff will provide the leadership and stability our district needs in this uncertain time.

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Kim Halbert	I strongly support Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent. His extensive experience, leadership, and professionalism will ensure continuity and stability within the district, and minimize disruptions. This will enable the district to prioritize and conduct a thorough and transparent search for a permanent superintendent.
Julie Spencer	During the most recent board meeting you were urged to listen, support our staff, and work together in the best interest for our children. You are now given the opportunity to demonstrate that you are in fact listening to the parents, students, and staff who have shown their overwhelming support for Mr. Dixon to serve as the Interim Superintendent. I urge the board to prioritize the needs of our students and staff by selecting Mr. Dixon as Interim Superintendent so we can move forward and focus efforts in conducting a thorough and transparent hiring process for long-term superintendent.
alix jarrard	I am writing to convey my unwavering support for Jeff Dixon as LBUSD Interim Superintendent; Jeff has been an integral member of the LBUSD staff for many years and has always supported and advocated for the district. He is overwhelmingly qualified and has a deep knowledge of the needs of our district.
Staff Member	Please seriously consider keeping Jeff Dixon on as the interim superintendent until a permanent superintendent can be hired. This will help with continuity of district programs as well as ensure that all resources are focused on hiring the best candidate for superintendent.
	I am a teacher at El Morro. I hope you are hearing from my colleagues as well regarding the interim superintendent decision. At this point in the school year, consistency is crucial. We have been through many changes in the past few years, with more to come. That said, I ask that you keep Jeff Dixon as the interim superintendent and shift your focus to building a strong candidate pool for the permanent position.  Please remember you were elected to represent the entire Laguna Beach Unified SCHOOL District community. I ask that you keep this in mind and value the input from teachers, families, and most importantly, the students as you make this and future decisions.
Mandi	I am writing to implore you to please put our students and schools at the forefront of your decision making. It's been a year with a lot of turmoil and loss. Our students did not put us in this position, and yet they are the ones being punished. Please, select Mr. Dixon as the interim superintendent for the remainder of the school year so you can focus your attention on the selection of a permanent superintendent. Selecting anyone different would be a waste of time, by the time the person gets their bearings, it will be time for them to leave. Additionally, a person interested the position permanently would not be the best candidate because why would they be available in the middle of the school year, or why would they be willing to leave their district in the middle of the year? You are so appalled by what Dr. Vilorio did, why would you put another district in the same position and/or hire someone that would do similar to what you were so against?  Prolonging this only creates more confusion and disorganization. Please, for the sake of our students and schools, work together to make a decision that is best for our district.  Thank you.
Shannon Trevino	As a parent of rising 6th and 9th graders in LBUSD schools, I write in support of the immediate appointment of Jeff Dixon as LBUSD Interim Superintendent. Please focus on the critical task ahead, which is to embark on a search for an exceptional new superintendent for the district. The appointment of Mr. Dixon will allow everyone to turn their attention to recruiting the new superintendent without further delay. Thank you for your time.
Erica	I am writing to express support to appoint Jeff Dixon to the role of Interim Superintendent. Not only has Mr. Dixon shown his dedication and competency as a leader within our district for the past decade, but allowing him to transition to the role of Interim Superintendent from his current transitional role will aid in fostering the stability in student and district-forward leadership that we currently need. I trust that all the presently elected school board members have our students' and district's best interests at heart, given this is truly the core role of a school board member. We urge you as parents and as members of the larger Laguna Beach community, to look toward the future of not only our individual children but of community as a whole, to demonstrate to the community who has elected you, that you are here for the students and the community, which are the heart of the school board mission. Your support of Mr. Dixon in this way would be a positive step forward in rebuilding our community's trust in you as school board officials, and give hope that you are truly here to foster success and stability in the school system. With thanks for your dedication and support of our community and schools.
Staff	I prefer Mr. Dixon stay on as interim superintendent.
Alexandra Clark	Jeff Dixon
Marc	Jeff Dixon

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Staff	The school board must act immediately to appoint Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent to ensure stability and provide effective leadership during this critical transition. With over a decade of dedicated service to our district, Mr. Dixon has earned widespread respect from staff, students, and the community. His deep understanding of district operations and proven commitment to our schools make him uniquely qualified to lead during this time. The overwhelming community support for his appointment, expressed during recent school board sessions, has continued to grow. Finalizing his role would address the unnecessary delays in decision-making and help calm the concerns of the LBUSD community. Appointing Mr. Dixon ensures minimal disruption to district operations and strengthens the trust of teachers, unions, and families. Both teacher unions have endorsed his leadership, further underscoring his ability to unify and guide the district effectively. His professionalism and composure were on full display during the most recent meeting, where he navigated complex discussions and criticism with poise and focus. Confirming Mr. Dixon as interim superintendent also allows the board to turn its attention to the important tasks ahead- selecting a search firm, defining the hiring process, and searching for a permanent superintendent. This is a pivotal moment for our district, and appointing Mr. Dixon is the best way to provide the stability and leadership our schools and community need.
Iva Pawling	I look forward to addressing the board this afternoon in-person, but would like to reiterate my support for appointing Jeff Dixon as Acting Superintendent. Please complete this very necessary step in order for teachers and staff to be able to finish out this school year with some continuity of leadership and semblance of stability. Thank you.
Leah Prettyman	Please appoint Mr. Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent
Anonymous	I am writing the board (as elected officials representing me, a parent of 2 students in the district) to request that you appoint Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent. Our teachers and parents are stressed and horrified to watch our district staff be attacked by the new board. Jeff Dixon will bring much needed confidence and minimize distractions to the staff and parents and most importantly, the board needs to focus on searching for a new permanent Superintendent - more listening, less talking please!
Shabnam Penry	<p>Dear Members of the School Board,</p> <p>I am writing as a parent and community member to express my support for retaining Mr. Dixon as interim superintendent, while the board focuses on selecting a permanent superintendent.</p> <p>Mr. Dixon has already demonstrated his ability to lead and maintain stability during this transitional period. By allowing him to serve in this role, the board can dedicate its time and resources to an effective and thoughtful search for a permanent superintendent without the additional disruption of another leadership change.</p> <p>Continuity is critical for our students, teachers, and community. With Mr. Dixon in place, we can ensure that the district remains steady and focused on its priorities. I urge the board to act in the best interest of our schools and students, and make this decision so we can move forward productively.</p> <p>Thank you for your time.</p>
Anonymous	Please appoint Mr. Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent. As parents in the community and LBUSD schools, we know and trust him, his long-standing dedication to our district, and his commitment to prioritizing the best interests of our students and teachers is in every decision. Finalize this appointment so the board can focus its efforts on the critical task of finding the best permanent Superintendent for LBUSD.
Chris Nunziata	I strongly urge the board to appoint Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent. His decade of dedicated service to LBUSD, proven leadership, and ability to unite the community make him the clear choice to bring stability during this critical time. With overwhelming community and staff support, Mr. Dixon's familiarity with district operations ensures continuity and confidence. Confirming his appointment allows the board to focus on the essential process of selecting a highly qualified permanent superintendent.
Carrie Rabay	I strongly urge you to keep Mr. Jeff Dixon as our interim Superintendent. He is unquestionably just, competent, and caring. Families, teachers, and staff need trust in our leadership to provide all students with a positive education. Please keep Mr. Dixon in his position as interim Superintendent while you search for a permanent leader.
Anonymous	Jeff Dixon
Stuart	Jeff Dixon's experience and leadership are what LBUSD needs right now—please keep him in place and please
Carol Nilsen	Please confirm Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent. He will provide critical stability and continuity so that I have admired the calm demeanor and professional performance displayed by Jeff Dixon in the face of this crisis. I sincerely urge each board member to arrive at this crucial vote with careful, unbiased, independent thought. Sincerely, Carol Nilsen

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Valorie Quigley	<p>Dear Members of the School Board,</p> <p>I am writing to express my strong support for the retention of Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent through the end of the school year. His organizational skills are exemplary, consistently demonstrating meticulous attention to detail in all aspects of his role. Mr. Dixon takes the time to explain intricate public school finance mechanisms and Education Code requirements. His collaborative approach and willingness to engage with all parties have been particularly valuable during this challenging time. Based on my experience working with Mr. Dixon, I firmly believe retaining him would provide our district with the stability and leadership needed for a successful year.</p>
Shannon Chastain	As a teacher in the district, I would like to keep Jeff Dixon as our interim superintendent for several reasons.
Jamie Jameson	As a teacher and a parent I'm respectfully urging you to appoint Jeff Dixon as our interim superintendent.
Claudia Morris	<p>Dear School Board,</p> <p>I am writing to express my strong support for the appointment of Mr. Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent. I believe Mr. Dixon possesses the necessary qualities for this role. His extensive experience and dedication to our district are well-known. Appointing Mr. Dixon will provide continuity and reassurance to students, teachers, staff, and families. Therefore, I urge the board to approve his appointment. I believe this decision is in the best interest of our district. Thank you for your time and consideration.</p>
Staff	As a dedicated employee of the school district, I fully support the selection of Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent.
Brooke Bismack	I support to keep Jeff Dixon as Interim Superintendent. Thank you for continuing to guide our district in the right direction.
Alicia Saucedo	Please consider keeping Mr. Dixon in his interim role until a permanent superintendent is found.
Kathleen Marcus	Please appoint Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent.
Ermei Fan	<p>Dear LBUSD Board,</p> <p>As a staff member, I'm writing to support Jeff Dixon wholeheartedly as our official interim superintendent. We need stability right now in this challenging time so teachers can focus on educating our students. Thank you for your consideration.</p>
Katie MacGillivray	I support the appointment of Jeff Dixon as acting superintendent.
	I support Jeff Dixon's acting superintendent.
Michelle Zuzek	I am urging you to confirm Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent. He has the experience to lead us while we search for a permanent superintendent.
Stephanie Singer	I'm in support of Jeff Dixon being appointed for the interim superintendent.
Renee Alexander	I support Jeff Dixon continuing as interim superintendent. He provides stability and consistency which is essential for our district.
Halle Davidson	<p>I would like to reiterate my support for the board retaining Jeff Dixon as the official interim superintendent.</p> <p>My previous statement stills stands: Hello Board, I would like to support the idea of installing Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent. Thank you for your consideration,</p> <p>Halle Davidson TOW 2nd Grade Teacher</p>
Danielle Roedersheimer	<p>I respectfully urge this Board to introduce some stability for our staff, educators, and families by appointing Mr. Dixon to Interim Superintendent. Appointing Mr. Dixon to Interim Superintendent allows the Board to focus on the critical priority at hand: ensuring the best possible educational outcomes for our students. Jeff Dixon is uniquely qualified for this role. He has the experience and understanding of our district's goals and challenges. Our community needs this stability, and frankly, so does the Board. Appointing Jeff as Interim Superintendent is the right decision for our district.</p>
Michelle Bencz	I support Jeff Dixon continuing as Interim Superintendent. Jeff Dixon's knowledge and experience in the district are invaluable.
Mary Parlapandis- TOW	I respectfully request that Mr. Jeff Dixon be retained as Interim Superintendent. Thank you for your continued leadership.
Kara Perlis	We support the appointment of Jeff Dixon as acting superintendent. We have 3 children in the district and we trust his leadership.
Emily Roling	<p>I urge you to appoint Jeff Dixon as interim superintendent. He has shown exceptional leadership during his time as acting superintendent. At Thursday's school board meeting, Mr. Dixon demonstrated the professionalism, composure, and the leadership skills necessary to guide our district through these challenging times. By appointing Mr. Dixon, the board can ensure stability and continuity for our district while focusing on the needs of our students.</p>
Jacqueline Cohn	I strongly support Jeff Dixon being approved as the interim superintendent. He knows our district better than anyone else.
Ed Wilson	Please, select Jeff Dixon as the Interim Superintendent. The community wants Jeff Dixon. Please, list to

