

Public Comments Submitted Electronically for the
February 24, 2025 Special Board Meeting - Governance Workshop

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Four Public Comments Submitted

Board Governance Workshop

Name	Comment
Katie	<p>A successful school district cannot be sustained without acknowledging and supporting the efforts of its staff. While it's understandable that we may not always agree on every issue, we can all agree on the need for cooperation and mutual respect. Right now, the dynamic within the board feels like a situation where personal differences are overshadowing the shared goal of serving our students. Let's refocus on why you're here – the success and well-being of our students – and ensure that all voices, especially those of our educators, are heard and valued.</p> <p>Our community thrives not on where we live or how our taxes are allocated, but on our shared commitment to each student's success. While I am fortunate to call this place home, my colleagues' voices are equally important, regardless of their zip code. We are the ones working with students every day, ensuring they have everything they need to thrive, both academically and beyond. We are their advocates and cheerleaders. As you move into this governance workshop, please work together so that our meetings can be more student focused.</p>
Sue	<p>New board members Hills and Morgan need to acknowledge that they are part of a 5 member board and pay attention to individual board member responsibilities to not act on your own. Ms. Morgan your comment after the special ed presentation and the LCAP midyear update were completely out of compliance with board member conduct. To ask those presenters to dream big and what can the board do for you is NOT the way to follow process. Using your cliché "I like to think outside the box" is not acceptable. LBUSD has been known as a lighthouse district for years which represents compliance with governance standards, federal and state</p>

	<p>regulations and with creative approaches. Respect what has preceded you and accept the top rankings of LBUSD. Your negativity is tiresome. Mr. Hills it is time you realize Dr. Kelly and Dr. Malczewski are intelligent, educated, and knowledgeable and you could learn from listening to them. It is not all about you and how you know more about governance than others. Remember for years you professed to abhor CSBA and chastised previous boards for following CSBA guidelines. Yet now suddenly you think differently. Too bad you can't take back all the harsh comments you made. The successful board works as a team with the Superintendent.</p>
<p>Elizabeth</p>	<p>IS THIS GOOD GOVERNANCE??? Village Laguna General Meeting Wednesday, February 26 at 7 pm on Zoom Discussion of LBUSD Pool Expansion Our guest speakers will include newly elected LBUSD school board members Howard Hill and Sheri Morgan, along with Steve McIntosh from Sensible Laguna.</p> <p>I am deeply concerned about the selection of the two most inexperienced and negative Board members to represent the School Board and the District on the LBUSD pool issue. Given the complexity and importance of this matter, the choice of representatives should reflect expertise, collaboration, and a commitment to constructive solutions.</p> <p>What criteria were used to determine these appointments? Why were more experienced and solution-oriented members not selected? The community deserves transparency in this decision, as well as confidence that those representing us are capable of moving this issue forward effectively.</p> <p>I urge the Board to explain this selection process and reconsider these appointments in the best interest of students, families, and stakeholders and in preparation for true Governance for the LBUSD Board.</p>
<p>anon</p>	<p>This comment is specifically for Hills and Morgan who have historically admonished previous board members/Superintendents for delegating away board authority. A school board working as a team with the Superintendent is an accepted and proven practice. It has worked well in LBUSD or we would not consistently be recognized as a top performing district. You are hiring a new</p>

	<p>Superintendent and governance needs to include that person on the team. Today you are reviewing the roles of individual board members and the board as a whole as currently in place. I urge you not to drastically alter these in order to make a statement that you are now doing it your way. Mr. Hills you are not the authority and need to back off your manner of talking over and down to Dr. Kelly and Dr. Malczewski. As to the protocols in spite of Member Perry historically refusing to adhere to board approved protocols they do work. Moving away from a team approach may lead to severe micromanaging and individual board members attempting to steer the direction of the district to their liking. Think of the students and the work of the district to educate---rather than the new majority thinking of themselves.</p>
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