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Dr. Kelly and Dr. Malczewski have experience in hiring for top level positions as opposed to the new majority who have demonstrated thus far to primarily be focused on their own personal need to look backward and discuss how bad things have been in LBUSD. Recalling that Dr. Lynch has emphasized the need to look forward (loved the green waste comment to Hills) it is not resonating. Determination to reflect poorly on the previous board (forgetting that the majority of that board is still on the board) will not attract the best candidates. No one will be fooled by the defensive posturing, Morgan and Hills, trying to deflect comments pin pointing your lack of ability to see beyond your grievances. You two have been a thorn in the side to a number of board members and superintendents. When the air in the room was fresh and constructive at meetings neither of you attended that speaks. Constant negative comments are draining. It is time to listen and respect Dr. Lynch and quit playing the we have done nothing wrong game. Staff, students and parents are hurting right now and there is little trust in Hills, Perry or Morgan being unified with Dr. Kelly and Dr. Malczewski. The community of voters heard over and over how Hills and Morgan wanted to "get rid" of Jason Vilorio in forums and letters and conversations. Hills has stated he thinks the board could effectively delegate to others but mostly the board can do it themselves as they are the authority.

After witnessing the overt Brown Act violation at the recent Village Laguna zoom meeting (yes by Member Perry attending it was a violation as a third member is then hearing the position, opinions, etc of two other members on business of the district). When Perry made a comment regarding discussion on financing in the chat that sealed the wrong. So be very careful in this closed session to not drift to what does not belong in closed. I am sure Dr. Lynch will guide you in staying on track and maybe the new majority three will be able to restrain themselves from cutting loose with their own speeches.

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Anonymous	<p>Please choose a strong superintendent who can rein in a rogue board that, after last night's meeting, has managed to alienate (more) teachers and staff. You've officially offended everyone now. Get back to the business of creating task forces to discuss important items such as weighting, even though that was already done with vigor and transparency, inviting all interested stakeholders to "special" meetings when their classes are being eviscerated thoughtlessly so they can at LEAST defend their choices, and here's an idea: waiting to make important decisions until you have a superintendent in place to guide you into the next era. It's a lot of blind leading the blind right now, it's excruciating to watch, and you are doing a lot of damage. Trust is officially gone.</p>	
Dawn Hunnicutt	<p>Leadership Associates is a professional group of highly intelligent individuals who have a breadth of experience that is immeasurable. Please take their advice and suggestions very seriously, heed that wisdom, and proceed accordingly. They are the experts, you are paying them a lot of money, I am sure, so listen and absorb. The three individuals that make up the majority have been somewhat reckless in so many regards in just 10 weeks, and the focus needs to shift to picking the best person to be your next superintendent. That is all you should be concerned about at the moment. Thank you.</p>	

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To Perry: your unfriendly comments on expected decorum from those attending last night was an interesting 180 from your telling everyone a couple meetings back that you intended to make meetings more welcoming. Lol on that. Turning off the mic and directing the SRO to remove someone YOU deem should go. It seems your authority per policy to contact counsel has gone to your head. Astounding you needed an attorney there to discuss the curriculum planning process. Control yourself. Morgan: seems your overarching purpose in asking for a public meeting to learn about this process was intended to publicly question if it was legal for the high school to "enroll" students in courses before board approved. Continue to put LBUSD in a bad light does not serve students. Your negativity is tiresome. You are a liability.

Morgan, Hills and Perry do not use this closed session to dis the former superintendent and board members you have decided to hate. Even in the closed setting it would still violate the Separation Agreement.

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CSEA President

We are at a pivotal moment in our district, and it is essential that we prioritize the selection of a strong, qualified leader who can steer us into a bright future. Our schools are thriving, and we have made significant strides in our educational initiatives. To ensure this progress continues, we need a superintendent who not only appreciates our accomplishments but is also committed to fostering further growth.

It is vital that our new leader genuinely listens to and respects all staff members. We seek someone who values collaboration across all levels—teachers, classified staff, administration, the union, students, and the community at large. Transparency and inclusivity must be the foundation of their leadership.

We cannot afford to have a superintendent who simply follows the board’s directives without understanding the unique needs and aspirations of our district. We desire an individual who will harness the insights provided by the search firm as well as the invaluable input from staff, the union, families, and students, to identify the very best candidates.

It is crucial that the board takes into account the diverse perspectives within our community and acts to select a leader who is prepared to champion our values and mission.

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