

Special Board Meeting 03/27/2025

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Los Cerritos

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Los Cerritos Modernization

Comments:

As an employee for many years, I have seen Los Cerritos, the elementary school closet geographically to the District Office, not receive promise after promise. Measure M funds dried up after other schools received new classroom buildings, new libraries, and exploratoriums. Then Measure T promised that we would be at the top of the list for those new facilities and remodeling.

So how in the world does the district overlook such an important thing as a land-use permit? Who dropped the ball?

I attended Los Cerritos as a student in the 1980s and the buildings are exactly the same. That's 40 years ago.

It is embarrassing - because we're on Orange Avenue, near the city park, we are one of the most visible schools in the district, and yet we look shabby, run-down, and outdated. If you don't believe that affects morale AND student school spirit, you are mistaken.

You need to do better.

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Last weeks presentation

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Comments:

I want to make a clarification based on last meeting's presentation about BARR. The description that was given to the board is inaccurate. Students are NOT placed in cohorts with the same schedule for every period. The students might have overlap with other students but they have classes that are different. I point this out because this principal does a good job rambling on about the obvious and presenting a performance of being involved and informed. Secondly, he kept mispronouncing WASC. Had he been more involved, he'd pick up on the correct pronunciation. You might be naive in falling for his pony show but those that deal with him on a daily basis know the truth. I am part of growing number of people who has had enough of south city's principal.

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Latino not Spanish

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Comments:

I take offense to the SSFHS principal calling Latino students Spanish at the last meeting. That's low key racist. He also mispronounced Arias.

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Comments:

In response to last meeting's presentation on South City High, I think it's not right that the number of homeless students was simply glossed over. There are 53 students who are struggling with shelter. Why is this simply treated like another number on a slide? Homelessness is not something to be silent about. It is not a problem with minor effects.

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Comments:

At the last board meeting, a trustee said that wearing a raincoat at sports events equals dedication. They should know that, as a principal, Lothshutz is contractually obligated to be at these events as with other admin. I think we can agree that good leadership is much more deeper than being able to put on a jacket on a rainy day. It means actually knowing the school and the community, respecting staff and their input, and not simply paraphrasing what is written on some slides. Lothshutz falls very short of a strong leader. He expects staff to be perfect, when he, himself, would not last a month as a counselor or teacher or para. It's easy to point out what's wrong with others when you hold an administrative position. He deserves no praise given how inactive, lazy, and incompetent he has been all year. He has been dismissive to staff suggestions, ignoring student voice, and not up to date on important school policies. Maybe there's a reason he has worked in so many different countries. They probably saw how subpar he is and other schools in that country caught on.

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Rachel Estrada

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SSFUSD Teacher

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Teacher's Salary- Bargaining

Comments:

Dear Dr. Moore, the cabinet, and the SSFUSD board,

I am a 3rd grade teacher in our district. I was hired in 2018 and I can say I truly love teaching here. I now have my two daughters in our district in kindergarten and 1st grade. I enrolled both of my daughters in the district because I truly believe in our teachers and our staff. I want to teach forever. But teaching forever is just not in my cards, because I simply cannot afford to do so.

I am a single mother of two living in the bay area on a teacher's salary. Frankly, I'm surprised I've been able to keep my head above water the last 6 years.

I am asking you to please, please work with our CTA bargaining team to give us a raise, and a raise that brings us closer to making a living wage. I truly want to keep teaching for as long as I can, and for our district, and giving us a raise will help me do just that. Please, be the example district that everyone looks to. We deserve to have a living wage, it's as simple as that. Thank you!

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Comments:

Just because a person says they are open to feedback and constructive criticism in an e-mail sign off does not indicate that they actually are. This needs to be made clear for people who are easily fooled by the Lothschutz “good principal” circus act. Can the board clarify the metrics in which principals are evaluated? He can type a million different AI generated versions of expressing how open to feedback he is, it doesn’t change that he has not made any meaningful effort to make many of my peers comfortable enough to give him feedback. He should be actively seeking in a way that the staff can give it without fear of retaliation or defensive responses. More importantly, he needs to allow staff the opportunity to actually implement needed changes. He needs to be connecting with families and actually hearing what they have to say and not merely listening as a performance. It seems like he’s passed these opportunities on to assistant principals. The past 4 IEPs that I’ve attended, it’s been either Ms. Ng or Ms. Andrews present. Not him. My peers can also confirm this. Those actions speak more loudly than an email sign off.

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Comments:

Lothshutz took a picture of our club without letting us know that he was going to use it on the presentation. That's not right. Some people don't want to be on a slide that people can see.

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