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Public Comment: Closed Session: C) Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release - Government Code Section 54957 and D) Existing Litigation Doe, Jane (B.P.) (Beverly Paris) v. Laguna Beach USD Case No.: 30-2022-01297898-CU-PO-NJC

Name	Comment
parent and community volunteer	Remember this old cases surfaced after Gov. Newsom suspended the statute of limitations on sexual assault. Regardless this tracking of the insurance from the mid 1970s is on the second forensic search. Has there been a finding from that forensic firm? C. ED/D/R

Action Item: Approval of Resolution Number 26-16 Acceptance of Valid Student Petition and Order for the Inclusion of Student Board Member(s) Pursuant to Education Code Section 35012(d

Name	Comment
Peggy Wolff	Please support the student-led resolution. LB Students engaged in democracy and civic service is a good thing. Please support our students.
parent and community volunteer	Interesting that the current board felt a need to use the petition option as if to infer that previous inclusion of student board members was not proper. Consider that student voice has been included for decades. While it is fine to change the process with the perception that previously the students were less involved in selecting their representation it is not okay to indicate that student voice was non existent. Ed Chilcote and John Carpenter are examples from decades ago of student members who asked questions of depth and held board members accountable to student needs. Dr. Viloria was instrumental in increasing the role of the student board member and meeting with them as they prepared for meetings.

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Action Item: First Reading of Board Policy 0410 – Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities; Board Policy 1312.2 - Complaints Concerning Instructional Materials; Board Policy 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures; Board Policy 2110 - Superintendent Responsibilities and Duties

Name	Comment
parent and community volunteer	It still seems contrary to the spirit of collaboration that has existed between board members and Superintendents in LBUSD for decades to remove the language from Board Policy 2110 that they are part of the same team. The board still has always retained overall responsibility and authority but worked with the Superintendent(s) in the best interest of students education. Removing this language frames the Superintendent role as of less importance and that opens the door for micromanaging which is not the role of the board.

Public Comment - Items not on the agenda, within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board

Name	Comment
Ketta Brown	In light of the passage of Measure A, having our CBO MIA is not a great look. I believe I haven't seen Mr. Roychowdhury in at least 8 weeks. This community voted to entrust the extension of their tax dollars to LBUSD and we are owed a Chief Business Officer who shows up and demonstrates the same ethical and scrupulous behavior his predecessors, Norma Shelton, Dean West and Jeff Dixon, exhibited. LBUSD has, for over 20 years, been led by education business professionals who displayed only the highest moral and principled conduct combined with the fiscal savvy to allow us to be a model for financial prudence. We deserve no less going forward.
Staff Member	Huge congratulations to Joan, Shaheen, and Kimberly on their victory. The staff is overjoyed, and we look forward to restoring trust, collaboration, and transparency to the

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	district. You all ran a beautiful campaign, clean and organized, and your canvassing efforts reached so many voters and won so many people over. Boots on the ground, grassroots, community coming together for the betterment of our students campaign, and we are forever grateful for your efforts. Two years of absolute chaos, reckless spending, and dysfunctional governance are finally over! A decisive win for all of you--no question about it!
Gary Kasik	There are, and have been in the last several meetings, multiple items on the agenda that have material fiscal impact. The CBO/CFO has been conspicuously absent and unavailable; a disturbing development. I respect the need for confidentiality when necessary but given past financial indiscretions and the confidence inspired by Manoj I would hope he becomes available VERY soon. There's lots to be done, all chairs need to be filled. Thanks.
Peggy Wolff	I would like to personally thank Dr. Jim Kelly for his service to LBUSD. He is a stellar leader with strong expertise in education, student outcomes, and governance. I am grateful for his years on the board. Putting students and staff first has always been his focus. Dr. Kelly has set an example of true calm respectful leadership in his years serving LBUSD. Thank you for your service!
The Community	Can you hear us yet? It is time for the current board majority to accept their vision and views are unwanted by the public. Not just the teachers, not just the students, not just the parents, the vast majority of voters. Those that pay taxes and those that do not. The data and margins are overwhelming and unprecedented. Ground yourself in reality and accept the best course of

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	action is to resign as your views and vision are unwanted and you are incapable of leading this community.
parent and community volunteer	Parents, students, staff and community members are proud of the successful campaigns of Joan, Shaheen and Kimberly. Speaking up and standing up for students and the on going historical quality of education in LBUSD resonated with voters.
Leslie Elliott	After two years of backroom decisions, the community has delivered a clear mandate for change. It started in December 2024, when Sheri, Howard and Dee advanced their preferred interim superintendent before the full board had agreed on a selection process. Joan and Jim were left out. Having three votes gave the majority control, not permission to abandon transparency, collaboration and accountability. What happened to those campaign promises? Then came the May 12 separation from Dr. Glass. On May 14, hundreds of frustrated parents and residents gathered to demand answers. The majority then announced Dr. Don Austin's hiring. Joan and Jim hadn't known he was a candidate until the motion appeared in closed session. Another major decision without meaningful input from all five trustees. And the tipping point. Instead of addressing families' concerns, the majority authorized a protest investigation costing more than $15,000. It did not substantiate allegations that Dee was pushed or that protesters displayed hate signs. That frustration became a grassroots movement. On November 3, 2026, voters elected Joan, Shaheen and Kimberly to all three seats, changing the majority. Congratulations to all three. The community has put its

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	trust in you. Now comes the work of listening, giving every trustee a voice and restoring transparency and honesty to the process.

Information Item: Top of the World 2025-26 Targeted Growth Area

Name	Comment
Ketta Brown	Kudos! This is what we do!
Peggy Wolff	Congratulations to the hard work of teachers and staff at Top of the World! Thank you for supporting our students success.
parent and community volunteer	This is so consistent with the long time focus in LBUSD of identifying problem areas in terms of student achievement, delving into the whys and finding solutions. Continuous improvement has been an important concept for years and deserves recognition. LBUSD has exceptional science instructors at all levels.

Information Item: LBUSD Nutrition Services Program Update

Name	Comment
Ketta Brown	This tickles my heart! Scratch cooking is what I do and I SO appreciate everyone in the nutrition department and how hard they work and the pride they bring to it. Just think how far we can go with the Measure A dollars going to upgrading and improving all the kitchens at each site. Thank you!
Lauren Unterberger (TOW parent)	On Tuesday, I had the pleasure of hearing Briana Kriwinski speak at the TOW PTA meeting. I was blown away by what she has accomplished in just one year. I especially appreciate that she has taken the time to gather student input on the food they'd like served, which has in turn significantly reduced our food waste. It's also wonderful to see her bringing in local food sources like Bluebird Farms.

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	I hope we can give her the financial support she needs to grow the nutrition services team. With Measure A now passed, I'd also urge the district to prioritize expanding the TOW kitchen to support scratch cooking.
parent and community volunteer	While acknowledging that continuous improvement in nutrition services is of priority it is another area where for decades LBUSD has made changes and improvements. When Dr. Fraisse was Superintendent (2007-2010) there was a committee that met over the course of a year to delve into food services, lunch menus, organic and locally sourced.Two board members, Ketta Brown and Jan Vickers) served on the committee. One parent Tiffany Ghere worked at a nutritionist and served on this committee. The need for improved kitchens was a priority as it is now. New dishes were tried and served to students. Good to keep this focus going and expanding particularly in the reduction of single use plastic. Safety and sanitation requirements in a school setting makes this a challenge. Now we know that microplastics are a concern it is more than just an environmental issue. Support the funding above their revenue.

Information Item: Developer Fees Report

Name	Comment
parent and community volunteer	Most of Developer Fees now come from remodels and additions to existing homes as there is little new construction such as in the Audubon or Newport Coast. The intent of these fees is to mitigate impact of additional students. Support these remaining as the current level.

Information Item: Budget Assumptions Update

Name	Comment
Classified Staff	To support transparency and facilitate evaluation of the transportation program, it would be helpful to include the number of students using the CTE transportation for the

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	25/26 school year.
parent and community volunteer	Noted that the examples given of percentage increases are in most cases higher than COLAs. As the board works through budget assumptions one major issue remains---where is the CBO, who is doing that work, is there an interim and exactly why has nothing been made public.

Public Hearings: LaBUFA & CSEA Negotiations Proposals

Name	Comment
parent and community volunteer	Support continuing IBB and facilitator.

Action Item: Approval of LBUSD's Proposal for the 2026-27 Re-Openers to the July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2029, collective bargaining agreement with Laguna Beach Unified Faculty Association.

Name	Comment
parent and community volunteer	Keep it supportive and appreciative. Great teachers who we want to stay here.

Action Item: Approval of LBUSD's Proposal for negotiations with the California School Employees Association and its Laguna Beach Chapter 131 on the July 1, 2027, to June 30, 2030, collective bargaining agreement.

Name	Comment
parent and community volunteer	CSEA has a very involved contract. Please give background information to the new board members ASAP

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Action Item: PARS Retirement Incentive Resolution No. 26-17

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Classified Staff	Please support moving forward with the PARS Retirement Incentive Resolution No. 26-17 so staff can evaluate if this benefits both the district and the community.
Ketta Brown	Thank you Dr. Austin.
parent and community volunteer	An obvious choice.

Action Item: Approval of Consent Calendar Items B - M

Name	Comment
parent and community volunteer	E. Warrants--seems a number of parent reimbursements which are sp. ed service related. Where are the costs for Mr. Pearl or is he working gratis now? Would be helpful to see the expenses for the pool itemized separately. K quarterly investment--high school ASB has a large amount resting here. M. All American Security---beyond unnecessary and based on a false narrative of potential harm to school board members attending a meeting. They are more at risk driving from home and back than from anyone attending.