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PASADENA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING
352 SOUTH HUDSON AVENUE, ROOM 229
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2018
6:33 P.M.

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1	MEMBERS PRESENT:	
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3	CLIFTON CATES, CHAIR	
4	QUINCY HOCUTT, VICE CHAIR	
5	CAMILLE DUDLEY, MEMBER	
6	MIKE MOHIT, MEMBER	
7	WILLIE ORDONEZ, MEMBER	
8	GRETCHEN VANCE, MEMBER	
9	JEN WANG, MEMBER	
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11	NELSON CAYABYAB, FACILITIES DIRECTOR	
12	MIGUEL PEREZ, ASSISTANT FACILITIES DIRECTOR	
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14	RUTHANN AWL, MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC	
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Page 3 1 WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2018, PASADENA, CALFIFORNIA 2 6:33 P.M. -000-3 MR. CATES: IT IS 6:33. WE HAVE A QUORUM. 9 OUT OF 5 12 MEMBERS. I WILL CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER. FIRST ITEM, PUBLIC COMMENT. 6 7 HEARING NONE, WE PASS ON TO ITEM III, PENDING BUSINESS. FIRST THE APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF OUR MEETING 8 9 OF JANUARY 17, 2018 WHICH ARE ATTACHED TO THE MEETING 10 MATERIALS. 11 ANY COMMENTS? 12 MS. VANCE: I JUST HAVE ONE COMMENT. BY THE WAY I 13 THINK, THEY'RE FANTASTIC. DID YOU DO THESE? 14 MR. HOCUTT: YES. BUT BASED ON ALL YOUR COMMENTS. MS. VANCE: IT'S PERFECT TO PUT IN THE VERBATIM. BUT 15 ON THE TOP OF PAGE 3 CAN YOU JUST CHANGE FROM MR. VANCE TO 16 MS. ADVANCE. IT SAYS MR. ADVANCE. 17 MR. BOLAND: IT REFERS TO GRETCHEN AS MR. VANCE. 18 19 MR. CATES: YOU DIDN'T TELL US, GRETCHEN. 20 MS. VANCE: EITHER THAT OR MY HUSBAND WANTS NO PART OF 21 THIS PLACE. JUST KIDDING. MR. CATES: ANY OTHER COMMENTS. I WILL ENTERTAIN A 22 23 MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES. 2.4 MS. VANCE: I'LL MOVE TO APPROVE THEM WITH THAT ONE

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MINOR CHANGE.

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- 1 MR. CATES: SECOND.
- 2 MR. BOLAND: I'LL SECOND IT.
- 3 MR. CATES: ALL THOSE IN FAVOR RAISE YOUR HANDS.
- 4 THE MINUTES OF OUR JANUARY MEETING ARE APPROVED 9
- 5 TO ZERO.
- 6 COMMENT TO SECOND WHAT GRETCHEN SAID. I THINK
- 7 THESE OUTLINE FORMAT WITH REFERENCES TO THE TRANSCRIPT ARE
- 8 GREAT. THEY GIVE PEOPLE AN IDEA OF WHAT WE DEALT WITH AND
- 9 A REFERENCE IF THEY WISH TO PURSUE ANY OF THE MATTERS IN
- 10 DETAIL.
- 11 MR. HOCUTT: I WILL ADD IT'S A LOT OF EASIER TO
- 12 PREPARE THE MINUTES THAT WAY.
- 13 THANK YOU, MIGUEL, FOR THAT GREAT FIRST DRAFT.
- MR. PEREZ: GLAD YOU LIKED IT.
- 15 MR. CATES: NEXT ITEM, STATUS OF OUTSTANDING REQUESTS
- 16 FOR INFORMATION ON NORMA COOMBS. I EXPECT GLENN DEVEER TO
- 17 BE HERE TO REPORT ON INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE DISTRICT
- 18 REGARDING NORMA COOMBS. AS YOU KNOW, HE ISN'T HERE YET.
- 19 AT THE LAST MEETING MIGUEL DELIVERED A FLASH
- 20 DRIVE TO ME WHICH I PASSED ON TO GLENN AND ASKED HIM TO
- 21 REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE TONIGHT. SO I WOULD LIKE TO DEFER
- 22 HIS REPORT UNTIL SUCH TIME AS HE ARRIVES.
- MR. PEREZ: EXCUSE ME. ALL THE INFORMATION IS IN THE
- 24 FACILITIES WEBSITE.
- 25 MR. CATES: THANK YOU.

- 1 AS FAR AS THE OTHER OUTSTANDING REQUESTS FOR
- 2 INFORMATION, THERE'S BEEN NO CHANGE. WE HAVE RECEIVED
- 3 NOTHING. THAT INCLUDES ITEM III-B WHICH IS REQUEST FOR
- 4 INFORMATION ABOUT THE ALLOCATION OF TT FUNDS TO LEGAL FEES
- 5 AND STAFF SALARIES.
- 6 YOU MAY RECALL THAT LAST JULY WE SUBMITTED A
- 7 PUBLIC RECORDS ACT REQUEST FOR THIS INFORMATION FOR THE
- 8 PAST TWO YEARS. WE RECEIVED SOME OF IT, BUT HAVE RECEIVED
- 9 NOTHING MORE SINCE SEPTEMBER.
- 10 ITEM III-C, A COMPARISON OF THE INDUSTRY STANDARD
- 11 AIA CONTRACTS AGAINST THOSE USED BY THE PUSD. AGAIN, GLENN
- 12 IS SUPPOSED TO COMMENT ON THAT. YOU MAY RECALL THAT HE
- 13 RAISED THIS SUBJECT IN THE LAST TWO MEETINGS, BUT I
- 14 CERTAINLY DON'T HAVE THE EXPERTISE TO DO SO. HOWEVER, IF
- 15 ANYONE WISHES TO COMMENT BEFORE GLENN DELIVERIES HIS
- 16 REPORT.
- 17 MR. VITALE: DO WE HAVE HIS SAMPLES AVAILABLE?
- 18 MR. CATES: I DO NOT.
- 19 MR. VITALE: CAN WE OBTAIN SAMPLES?
- MR. CATES: YES, WE CAN. IF GLENN DOES NOT APPEAR
- 21 TONIGHT, I WILL ASK HIM TO SEND OUT COMPARISON CONTRACTS TO
- 22 EVERY MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE.
- MR. VITALE: PLEASE.
- MR. CATES: AND I HOPE YOU WILL DISCUSS IT AT THE NEXT
- 25 MEETING.

- 1 ITEM III-D, SELECTION OF THE AUDITOR OR AUDITORS
- 2 FOR THE FORTHCOMING AUDITS. TWO MEETINGS AGO NELSON
- 3 RECOMMENDED AND I BELIEVE THIS COMMITTEE AGREED THAT IT
- 4 WOULD MAKE SENSE TO HAVE TWO SEPARATE AUDITORS, ONE FOR THE
- 5 FINANCIAL AUDIT AND THE OTHER FOR THE PERFORMANCE AUDIT.
- 6 THE CONTRACT OF NIGRO & NIGRO EXPIRES AT THE END OF THIS
- 7 FISCAL YEAR, AND I BELIEVE THAT THE DISTRICT IS SOLICITING
- 8 BIDS FOR THESE AUDITS.
- 9 MR CAYABYAB: NOT YET. WE'RE WAITING FOR YOUR FOLKS
- 10 ITEMS TO BE PUT ON THE RFP ON THE PERFORMANCE AUDIT.
- MR. CATES: I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU NEED.
- 12 MR. CAYABYAB: AS FURTHER DISCUSSED THAT YOU FOLKS
- 13 WANTED TO BE SPECIFIC ON SOME OF THE REPORTS ON THE
- 14 PERFORMANCE AUDIT AND SO WE'RE WAITING FOR THOSE INPUTS
- 15 FROM YOU SO THAT WE CAN PUT IT ON THE RFP.
- MR. BOLAND: FROM GLENN TOO; RIGHT? TWO MEETINGS AGO
- 17 GLENN MADE A COUPLE OF SUGGESTIONS THAT YOU REFERENCED LAST
- 18 MEETING FOR US TO TALK ABOUT. THEY'RE EITHER IN THE
- 19 MINUTES OR ASK GLENN ABOUT THEM.
- 20 MS. VANCE: IS THERE ANYWAY --
- MR. BOLAND: IT WAS ABOUT THE SCOPE OF THE AUDIT.
- 22 MS. VANCE: IS THERE ANYWAY WE CAN GET THE SCOPE OF
- 23 WORK THAT YOU HAVE LISTED IN THE RFP FOR -- I'M ASSUMING
- 24 THAT NOW IT'S COMBINED BECAUSE IN THE PAST WE'VE DONE IT --
- 25 WE'VE DONE THE SAME AUDITOR, BUT COULD YOU CIRCULATE THE

- 1 SCOPE OF WORK TO US SO THAT WE COULD MARK IT UP AND SAY
- 2 THESE ARE THE CHANGES WE WANT TO HAVE MADE?
- MR. CAYABYAB: WE'LL CIRCULATE THE EXISTING FINANCIAL
- 4 AND PERFORMANCE AUDIT, AND YOU FOLKS CAN GET IT AS MUCH AS
- 5 YOU WANT.
- 6 MR. BOLAND: YOU ALSO SUGGESTED THERE SHOULD BE TWO
- 7 AUDITS, ONE FOR PERFORMANCE AND ONE FOR FINANCIAL.
- 8 MR. CAYABYAB: THAT'S TRUE.
- 9 MR. BOLAND: AND THEN THERE WAS SOME DISCUSSION -- YOU
- 10 SAID SOMETHING LIKE YOU TRUST ME. I TRUST YOU. SO IF
- 11 WE'RE HOLDING YOU UP, THOSE SUGGESTIONS BY GLENN ARE IN THE
- 12 MINUTES FROM TWO MEETINGS AGO. I LIKE THAT IDEA, AND I
- 13 LIKE THE IDEA OF A BETTER AUDIT BECAUSE IT WOULD LEAD TO
- 14 FEWER OF THESE PROBLEMS THAT WE HAD.
- 15 MR. CATES: FRANCIS, HOW ABOUT YOU'RE BEING
- 16 VOLUNTEERED TO CONTACT GLENN OR TO REVIEW THE TRANSCRIPT
- 17 AND SEE WHAT HE --
- 18 MR. BOLAND: I'LL EMAIL HIM TOO TOMORROW.
- 19 MR. CATES: -- BECAUSE I'M NOT AWARE OF ANYTHING THAT
- 20 WE NEED THAT ISN'T IN OUR ANNUAL REPORT. THE PRINCIPAL
- 21 PROBLEM WITH THE EXISTING AUDITS THAT WE FOUND IS THAT THE
- 22 DISCLAIMERS ARE SO BROAD AS TO MAKE AT LEAST THE
- 23 PERFORMANCE AUDIT CONCLUSIONS MEANINGLESS. THAT'S
- 24 BASICALLY WHAT THE PROBLEM IS.
- 25 THE FINANCIAL AUDIT SAYS IN EFFECT ALL THE

- 1 NUMBERS ADD UP, AND THAT MONEY THAT WAS BILLED WAS PROPERLY
- 2 PAID. NONE OF IT WAS EMBEZZLED. BUT THE AUDIT
- 3 SPECIFICALLY DOES NOT SAY THAT THE TT FUNDS WERE EXPENDED
- 4 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW WHICH IS ONE OF THE
- 5 REOUIREMENTS.
- 6 SO, NELSON, TO THAT EXTENT, YOU HAVE A DETAILED
- 7 WRITTEN --
- 8 MR. CAYABYAB: I UNDERSTAND. BUT WE CAN'T PUT THAT ON
- 9 RFQ. LET'S SHOOT IT BACK. BE SPECIFIC. AN RFQ IS HERE
- 10 ARE THE THINGS THAT WE NEED YOU TO PROVIDE. I CAN'T JUST
- 11 TRANSPOSE ALL OF THAT STUFF ON THE ANNUAL REPORT.
- MR. CATES: NO, YOU DON'T -- WITH RESPECT.
- 13 MR. CAYABYAB: YOU HAVE TO BEAR WITH ME HERE. YOU'RE
- 14 ACCUSING ME ON A LOT OF THINGS ON THE ANNUAL REPORT. I
- 15 WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WHAT YOU WANT ON THE RFO IS EXACTLY
- 16 WHAT YOU WANT IN WORDING WISE. THAT'S ALL I'M ASKING. I'M
- 17 MORE THAN HAPPY TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE RFO, BUT I NEED
- 18 FROM YOU WHAT TO PUT ON THE RFO AS FAR AS WITH REGARDS TO
- 19 THE AUDITORS.
- MR. BOLAND: ALL I'M SAYING IS I READ WHAT GLENN SAID.
- 21 I'LL READ IT AGAIN AND TELL YOU WHAT WE SAID.
- MR. CATES: BUT AS FAR AS THE DISCLAIMERS GO, YOU HAVE
- 23 IT, AND YOU'VE HAD IT SINCE JANUARY 17TH, AND I WILL GIVE
- 24 IT TO YOU RIGHT NOW. IT APPEARS ON 13 AND 14 OF OUR ANNUAL
- 25 REPORT. IN THE RFQ YOU SHOULD PUT THAT IN RENDERING AN

- 1 OPINION UNDER THE PERFORMANCE AUDIT THAT THE AUDITOR WILL
- 2 COMPLY FAITHFULLY AND FULLY WITH GOVERNMENTAL AUDITING
- 3 STANDARDS 4.19 AND 4.20. I CAN'T BE MORE SPECIFIC THAN
- 4 THAT. TAKE A LOOK AT OUR ANNUAL REPORT.
- 5 ANYTHING MORE ON SELECTION OF THE AUDITOR?
- 6 MR. BOLAND: NO, I WAS JUST TRYING TO HELP. THAT'S
- 7 ALL.
- 8 MR. CATES: NO, NO. IT WILL. IF GLENN HAS SUGGESTED
- 9 OTHER THINGS THAT WE OUGHT TO HAVE.
- 10 MR. BOLAND: EVERYBODY KEEPS MENTIONING IT AND I KNOW
- 11 I READ IT SO I'M HAPPY TO GO BACK AND GET IT OUT.
- MR. CATES: THE PRINCIPAL FLAW HAS BEEN ADDRESSED IN
- 13 DETAIL IN WRITING LONG AGO.
- 14 MS. VANCE: I WONDER IF WE SHOULD APPOINT A NEW AUDIT
- 15 SUBCOMMITTEE.
- 16 MR. CATES: THAT WILL BE UP TO THE NEXT CHAIR. BUT,
- 17 GRETCHEN, YOU'RE RIGHT. BECAUSE THE MEMBERS OF THE AUDIT
- 18 COMMITTEE WILL BE DOWN TO ONE IN JUST A COUPLE OF DAYS.
- 19 MS. VANCE: RIGHT.
- 20 MR. CAYABYAB: JUST A WORD TO THE WISE FOR YOUR
- 21 INFORMATION. I'LL DO WHATEVER YOU ARE ASKING ME TO DO, BUT
- 22 WE -- THERE'S NO WAY ANYBODY CAN RESPOND AS FAR AS AUDITORS
- 23 TO BE ABLE TO TAKE ON THIS JOB. THE WAY IT'S WORDED OF
- 24 WHAT YOU SAID. SO EXPECT THAT. THAT'S WHAT I'M GOING TO
- 25 TELL YOU. THAT'S ALL I NEED TO SAY. THANK YOU.

- 1 MR. HOCUTT: LET ME ASK YOU. MAYBE MY MEMORY IS
- 2 FAULTY, AND I WISH WE HAD THE VERBATIM TRANSCRIPT. I
- 3 THOUGHT YOU GUYS WERE GOING TO PROVIDE US WITH A DRAFT RFO
- 4 BASED ON HOW YOU'VE DONE IT IN THE PAST WITH ANY
- 5 MODIFICATIONS YOU WANTED TO MAKE. SO I THOUGHT --
- 6 MR. CAYABYAB: WE CAN STILL DO THAT, AND I HAVE IT,
- 7 BUT YOU'RE EMPHASIZING THAT YOU WANT -- WHAT YOU WANT ON
- 8 THE END REPORT ON THE RFQ.
- 9 MR. HOCUTT: THAT'S ANOTHER ISSUE. AM I INCORRECT IN
- 10 ASSUMING THAT WE WERE GOING TO RECEIVE A DRAFT RFO THAT WE
- 11 COULD COMMENT AND ADD TO AND MODIFY AND NOT GO READ THE
- 12 TRANSCRIPT?
- 13 MS. VANCE: I REMEMBER DISCUSSING IT. I'M NOT SURE IF
- 14 THEY SAID IT WAS READY TO BE CIRCULATED. I KNOW I DID ASK
- 15 FOR THE LAST ONE SO THAT WE COULD JUST TAKE IT AND USE IT
- 16 AS A DRAFT TO HELP THEM WORK TO ADD WHAT WE NEEDED, BUT IF
- 17 THEY SEND IT NOW --
- 18 MR. CAYABYAB: WE'LL SEND IT TO THE IMMEDIATELY
- 19 ELECTED AUDIT COMMITTEE, AND IT'S A TEMPLATE THAT I USED
- 20 WHEN I WAS IN THIS POSITION AT BEVERLY HILLS UNIFIED,
- 21 STRICTLY A PERFORMANCE AUDIT, AND ALSO IT'S THE ONE THAT
- 22 YOU ALL REFUSED TO ACCEPT TWO YEARS AGO WHEN I GOT HERE.
- 23 NOW YOU ALL WANT TO BRING IT BACK SINCE YOU'RE ALL EXPERTS
- 24 ON AUDITS. SO I JUST WANT TO MAKE THAT CLEAR. OKAY?
- 25 MR. BOLAND: THAT'S INTERESTING BECAUSE I'M NOT AN

- 1 EXPERT ON AUDITS, BUT I THOUGHT FROM READING TWO MEETINGS
- 2 AGO THERE WAS AN AGREEMENT THAT AN \$11,000 AUDIT WAS NOT A
- 3 GREAT DETAILED AUDIT. SO THERE WAS AN AGREEMENT THAT A
- 4 BETTER AUDIT WAS NEEDED AND TWO OF THEM SEPARATELY. IT
- 5 SOUNDED TO ME LIKE EVERYONE WAS GETTING ALONG BETTER WHEN I
- 6 WASN'T HERE. SO I THINK IT'S A GOOD IDEA STILL, AND I
- 7 DON'T KNOW ENOUGH TO TELL YOU, THOUGH, WHAT AN INCREASED
- 8 SCOPE IS, BUT I THINK THAT ONE OF THE THINGS I WOULD LIKE
- 9 TO SEE, AND CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG, IS THEY WEREN'T
- 10 ADDRESSING THE CONTROLS; RIGHT?
- MR. CATES: THAT IS ONE OF THE THINGS THAT THEY DID
- 12 NOT ADDRESS.
- 13 MR. BOLAND: I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THAT ADDRESSED. SO
- 14 THAT'S WHAT I'M IN FAVOR OF.
- 15 MR. CATES: FRANCIS, WHAT WE'RE ASKING FOR IS NOTHING
- 16 ABOVE AND BEYOND THE NORMAL SCOPE OF WORK. AS A MATTER OF
- 17 FACT, THE AUDITORS' STATE AT THE BEGINNING OF BOTH AUDITS
- 18 THAT THESE AUDITS HAVE BEEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT
- 19 AUDITING STANDARDS, AND IN REVIEWING THE AUDITS, WE
- 20 CONCLUDED THAT, IN FACT, THEY DO NOT. AND YOU DON'T HAVE
- 21 TO BE AN AUDITOR OR A LAWYER OR AN ACCOUNTANT TO REACH THIS
- 22 CONCLUSION. YOU READ THE STANDARDS WHICH ARE QUOTED IN OUR
- 23 ANNUAL REPORT, AND YOU READ THE DISCLAIMERS IN THE AUDIT
- 24 REPORTS AND THE TWO DO NOT MATCH. SO BASICALLY WE JUST
- 25 WANT THE NEXT AUDITOR TO FOLLOW THE APPLICABLE STANDARDS.

- 1 MR. CAYABYAB: NO PROBLEM. WE'LL PROVIDE IT TO YOU,
- 2 AND LET'S MOVE ON.
- 3 MR. HOCUTT: NELSON, IF YOU WILL SEND IT TO ME AS SOON
- 4 AS YOU CAN, I WOULD LIKE TO GET IT OUT TO ALL OF THE
- 5 MEMBERS SO WE CAN AT LEAST START READING IT. ONE OF MY
- 6 DIFFICULTIES WITH THIS COMMITTEE IS WE MEET ONCE A MONTH,
- 7 AND IT JUST TAKES FOREVER TO GET ANYTHING DONE, AND THIS IS
- 8 FEBRUARY, AND JUNE IS THE END OF THIS FISCAL YEAR WHICH
- 9 WILL BE AUDITOR BY THE NEW AUDITORS. WE'RE RAPIDLY RUNNING
- 10 OUT OF TIME HERE, AND TO WAIT UNTIL NEXT MONTH TO GET
- 11 SOMETHING SO WE CAN START TO TALK IS NOT SOON ENOUGH. SO
- 12 AS SOON AS YOU CAN, IF YOU CAN SEND IT TO ME, AND YOU CAN
- 13 GUYS CAN START THINKING ABOUT IT. AT LEAST THINKING.
- 14 MR. CAYABYAB: WE'LL SEND IT OUT TOMORROW, MIGUEL, AND
- 15 THE CONTRACT FOR THE FINANCIAL AUDIT TOO AND ALSO THE
- 16 TEMPLATE THAT I USED FOR BEVERLY HILLS. OKAY?
- 17 MR. PEREZ: OKAY.
- 18 MR. CATES: PLEASE SEND IT TO QUINCY WITH A COPY TO
- 19 ME.
- 20 MR. CAYABYAB: WE'LL SEND IT TO QUINCY, AND THE NEW
- 21 CHAIR. FAIR ENOUGH?
- 22 MR. CATES: NO. I'M STILL THE CHAIR. PLEASE SEND IT
- 23 TO QUINCY WITH A COPY TO ME.
- MR. CAYABYAB: OKAY. THAT'S FINE.
- MR. CATES: ITEM E, SELECTION OF NEW COC MEMBERS. THE

- 1 DISTRICT IS ADVERTISING NOW FOR NEW COC MEMBERS. WE ARE
- 2 DOWN TO 12. THAT IS WELL ABOVE THE MINIMUM OF 9 BUT THIS
- 3 COMMITTEE IS GOING TO LOSE TWO MEMBERS IN A MATTER OF DAYS
- 4 WHICH WILL TAKE IT DOWN TO TEN.
- 5 MR. BOLAND: IS MIKALA STILL ON THIS COMMITTEE?
- 6 MR. CATES: SHE IS. BUT AS I'M SURE YOU ALL KNOW,
- 7 STEVE COLE RESIGNED. THAT'S WHY WE'RE DOWN TO 12. SO I
- 8 THINK IT IMPERATIVE THAT WE PROCEED WITH THE PROCESS OF
- 9 SELECTING NEW MEMBERS.
- 10 NOW, LAST TIME AROUND GRETCHEN AND QUINCY WITH
- 11 THE HELP OF OTHERS PUT TOGETHER WHAT AMOUNTS TO A NEW
- 12 MEMBER PACKAGE. I HAVE REVIEWED IT. MOST OF IT IS STILL
- 13 PERFECTLY VALID. I LEAVE IT TO MY SUCCESSOR TO UPDATE IT
- 14 AS NECESSARY. BUT IN SELECTING NEW MEMBERS, WE AND I
- 15 PRESUME THE BOARD WANT TO MAKE SURE, ONE, THAT THE
- 16 APPLICANTS KNOW WHAT THEY'RE GETTING IN FOR AND, SECOND,
- 17 THAT THEY HAVE AN IDEA OF WHAT THIS COMMITTEE DOES.
- 18 MR. HOCUTT: NELSON, DO YOU NOT HAVE ANY CANDIDATES
- 19 THAT WE'VE RECEIVED SO FAR?
- MR. CAYABYAB: ONE.
- MR. HOCUTT: RAFAEL HENDERSON.
- MR. PEREZ: I WAS TOLD IT'S ONE, AND IT WAS SENT TO
- 23 YOU.
- MR. CAYABYAB: IS THAT THE ONE THAT WAS SENT TO YOU?
- MR. HOCUTT: YEAH. THAT'S IT SO FAR.

- 1 MR. PEREZ: NADIA TOLD ME THAT MAYBE WE HAVE TO EXTEND
- 2 THE APPLICATION PERIOD FOR ONE MORE WEEK.
- 3 MR. BOLAND: HAS ANYBODY APPLIED?
- 4 MR. HOCUTT: JUST ONE GUY.
- 5 MR. CATES: I RECOMMEND THAT YOU EXTEND IT. ACTUALLY
- 6 THERE ARE TWO DOCUMENTS THAT ARE IN CONFLICT. ONE SAYS
- 7 THAT THE PERIOD ENDS IN FEBRUARY, AND ONE SAYS AT THE END
- 8 OF MARCH. MY RECOMMENDATION TO YOU IS HAVE IT GO AT LEAST
- 9 UNTIL THE END OF MARCH.
- 10 MR. BOLAND: HOW LONG DO YOU THINK THIS COMMITTEE IS
- 11 GOING TO EXIST? HOW MANY MORE YEARS?
- MS. VANCE: NELSON, YOU THINK THE MONEY WILL BE GONE
- 13 IN LIKE FOUR YEARS?
- 14 MR. CAYABYAB: TWO YEARS.
- 15 MS. VANCE: IT WILL BE A NEW -- IT WILL BE --
- 16 MR. BOLAND: ARE THEY PLANNING ON ONE NOW?
- 17 MR. CAYABYAB: TO BE DETERMINED.
- 18 MR. CATES: RIGHT. THIS COMMITTEE WILL DISBAND WHEN
- 19 THE LAST PROCEEDS ARE SPENT AND ALL THE ADMINISTRATIVE
- 20 DETAILS ARE WRAPPED UP.
- MR. BOLAND: I WAS JUST GETTING ONTO THE NUMBER OF
- 22 PEOPLE WE NEED. BUT I THINK WE SHOULD EXTEND THE
- 23 APPLICATION PERIOD THEN. IF IT'S GOING TO BE A COUPLE
- 24 YEARS, WE'RE DEFINITELY GOING TO NEED PEOPLE.
- MR. HOCUTT: I WOULD THINK IF YOU KNOW ANYBODY THAT

- 1 MIGHT BE A CANDIDATE TO TELL THEM TO LOOK AT THE WEBSITE
- 2 AND APPLY.
- 3 MS. VANCE: ALSO KEEP IN MIND FOR THE MEMBERS THAT
- 4 WILL BE REMAINING OUR BYLAWS STATE AFTER THREE CONSECUTIVE
- 5 MISSES OF MEETINGS, THE CHAIR CAN REMOVE THE MEMBER. AND I
- 6 THINK IF YOU MISS THREE MEETINGS IN A ROW, YOU'RE MAYBE NOT
- 7 THAT INTERESTED AND YOU'RE PROBABLY ALREADY REALLY BEHIND
- 8 SO I WOULD SUGGEST THAT THOSE WHO --
- 9 MR. BOLAND: HAVE YOU HAD TO ACT ON THAT BEFORE.
- 10 MR. CATES: YES.
- 11 MS. VANCE: THIS IS MIKALA'S SECOND.
- 12 MR. CATES: WE DID LAST YEAR JEFFREY COMMONS.
- 13 MR. BOLAND: I WAS WONDERING IF CURRENTLY WE HAVE ANY
- 14 ISSUES?
- 15 MR. CATES: YES.
- MS. VANCE: KEEP AN EYE ON IT.
- 17 MR. CATES: ACTUALLY THE BYLAWS ARE EVEN MORE SEVERE
- 18 THAN YOU JUST DESCRIBED. A MEMBER THAT MISSES THREE
- 19 MEETINGS IS AUTOMATICALLY REMOVED UNLESS HE PETITIONS FOR
- 20 RESTATEMENT WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE COMMITTEE AND THAT HAS
- 21 NEVER HAPPENED.
- 22 MR. HOCUTT: THE LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
- 23 IS MORE SEVERE. IF YOU MISS THREE WITHIN A YEAR.
- MR. BOLAND: I THINK IF YOU VOLUNTEER YOU NEED TO SHOW
- 25 UP.

- 1 MR. CATES: I AGREE.
- 2 MR. HOCUTT: IT'S ONLY ONCE A MONTH.
- MR. CATES: THERE'S A LOT OF WORK TO BE DONE.
- 4 MR. CAYABYAB: CAN I MAKE A SUGGESTION?
- 5 MR. CATES: CERTAINLY.
- 6 MR. CAYABYAB: WE'LL SEE HOW MANY APPLICANTS COME IN.
- 7 WHAT NUMBER OF APPLICANTS DOES THIS COMMITTEE NEED?
- 8 OTHERWISE WE'LL KEEP EXTENDING IT UNTIL WE DO SO THAT WAY
- 9 WE DON'T HAVE TO KEEP COMING BACK TO THE COMMITTEE TO
- 10 EXTEND.
- MR. CATES: THE MINIMUM IS 9; THE MAXIMUM IS 15. IN
- 12 ONE WEEK WE'LL BE DOWN TO 10. SO THE IDEAL WOULD BE AT
- 13 LEAST 5.
- 14 MR. CAYABYAB: BUT YOU HAVE TO GET YOURSELF A LITTLE
- 15 BIT OF FLUFF.
- MR. CATES: SURE. I SAID THE IDEAL MAYBE YOU
- 17 ADVERTISE FOR 7, AND IF YOU GET MORE THAN 5, YOU CAN ALWAYS
- 18 MAKE THEM ALTERNATES.
- MR. CAYABYAB: IF WE GET 5 OR 7, LESS THAN 7, WE'LL
- 20 EXTEND THE ADVERTISING FOR ANOTHER MONTH WITHOUT COMING
- 21 BACK TO THE COMMITTEE FOR APPROVAL. IS THAT OKAY?
- MR. HOCUTT: FOR SURE EXTEND IT, YES.
- MR. CATES: NELSON, LET'S SAY YOU GET 3. I THINK IT
- 24 WOULD BE BETTER TO PROCEED WITH THE 3 AND THEN OPEN UP THE
- 25 PROCESS AGAIN RATHER THAN WAIT TO GET THE IDEAL NUMBER.

- 1 MR. HOCUTT: I WOULD AGREE.
- 2 MR. CATES: ALL IT'S GOING TO TAKE IS ONE MORE
- 3 RESIGNATION BEGINNING IN MARCH, AND WE'RE AT OUR MINIMUM.
- 4 MR. CAYABYAB: IS THAT THE CONSENSUS?
- 5 MS. VANCE: FINE WITH ME.
- 6 MR. CAYABYAB: KEEP IN MIND TOO THAT SOME PEOPLE APPLY
- 7 TO FILL IN A POSITION AND THEN NECESSARILY DOESN'T FULFILL
- 8 THE NUMBERS; RIGHT? TAXPAYERS MEMBER. IF WE DON'T GET ANY
- 9 TAXPAYER MEMBER AND WE HAVE TO FILL THAT POSITION, YOU
- 10 KNOW, WHAT DO WE DO AT THAT POINT? EVEN THOUGH WE GET
- 11 THREE BUT YOU DON'T HAVE THE QUALIFIED TO FILL THOSE
- 12 POSITIONS THAT ARE VACANT --
- 13 MS. VANCE: I THINK WITH THE 9 CURRENTLY YOU'RE
- 14 COVERED. SO I THINK THAT -- SINCE THE 9 ARE ALREADY -- DID
- 15 YOU LIST IT IN THE BACK OF THE REPORT? I KNOW LAST YEAR
- 16 WHEN I DID THE REPORT, I LISTED ALL THE MEMBERS AND WHAT
- 17 THEIR POSITIONS ARE, BUT I THINK NELSON WITH THE 9, YOU'RE
- 18 ALREADY COVERED SO WHATEVER THE REMAINING 5 OR 7 ARE.
- 19 MR. CATES: IT'S IN THE REPORT THE LIST OF THE MEMBERS
- 20 BUT NOT THEIR CATEGORIES.
- MR. CAYABYAB: WE'LL FIGURE IT OUT.
- MS. VANCE: I THINK YOU'RE GOOD.
- MR. CAYABYAB: I JUST WANT TO SHORTEN THE PROCESS.
- MR. CATES: BEGGARS CAN'T BE CHOOSERS.
- 25 ITEM F. REVIEW OF NEW BOARD REPORTS.

- 1 MR. HOCUTT: WE CAN GO THROUGH THESE QUICKLY. DO YOU
- 2 HAVE THE BOARD REPORTS IN THE PACKAGE. WE CAN LOOK AT THEM
- 3 QUICKLY. THERE'S ONLY A FEW THIS TIME.
- 4 DOES EVERYONE HAVE THEM? 1722 AND 1273 WERE
- 5 ACTUALLY ALREADY APPROVED BY THE BOARD BEFORE WE SAW THEM.
- 6 SO IT'S KIND OF A MOOT POINT ON THEM. 1272, JUST FOR THE
- 7 RECORD, WAS FOR THE BOARD TO ACCEPT THE AUDIT REPORT FROM
- 8 NIGRO & NIGRO AND SO THE BOARD DID ACCEPT THAT. 1273 WAS
- 9 FOR THE CHANGE ORDER NO. 3 AT JOHN MUIR. SO THAT WAS AN
- 10 ADDITIONAL 159,000 AT MUIR FOR SOME CHANGES. I'M JUST -- I
- 11 JUST HAVE TO ASK ONE OF THE CHANGES WAS FOR THE SEATING OF
- 12 THE AUDITORIUM. DIDN'T THE CONTRACTOR KNOW BEFOREHAND THAT
- 13 WE WERE GOING TO NEED SEATING?
- 14 MR. CAYABYAB: ON THE ORIGINAL SCOPE OF WORK WAS TO
- 15 REFURBISH THE SEATING, AND THEN WHEN WE WENT THROUGH THAT,
- 16 THE SITE WANTED DESPERATELY TO REPLACE THE SEATS SO WE WENT
- 17 AHEAD AND DID THAT. IT LOOKS LIKE WE COULD AFFORD IT SO
- 18 THEY'RE GETTING BRAND NEW SEATS BUT THE OLD SEATS WE'VE GOT
- 19 IN STORAGE TO BE USED FOR OTHER PROJECTS. THAT'S WHY WE
- 20 DID THAT.
- MR. HOCUTT: ANYWAY, 1272 AND 73 HAVE ALREADY BEEN
- 22 APPROVED. 1274 DOESN'T IMPACT TT. APPARENTLY THE MONEY
- 23 FOR THAT CHANGE FOR THE ATHLETIC TRACK FROM BLAIR IS COMING
- 24 FROM DEVELOPER FEES.
- 25 MR. CAYABYAB: THE MAJORITY OF IT IS CORRECT. AT THE

- 1 TIME WHEN WE BUDGETED WAS SUPPOSED TO COME OUT OF DEVELOPER
- 2 FEES. THE AE FEES CAME OUT OF MEASURE TT, AND ALSO PART OF
- 3 THAT THE PEF AND THE SITE WAS GOING TO DO SOME MONEY MAKING
- 4 FUND PROJECT TO HELP SUPPORT THE PROJECT, MAINLY THE GRASS
- 5 ON THE IN FIELD REPLACEMENT. AGAIN THAT DIDN'T MATERIALIZE
- 6 SO NOW WE ARE TRYING TO ADD ADDITIONAL DEVELOPER FEES FROM
- 7 OTHER SOURCES SO THAT WE CAN MEET THAT COMMITMENT. IF NOT,
- 8 IT'S GOING TO HAVE TO COME OUT OF THE CONTINGENCY OUT OF
- 9 MEASURE TT.
- 10 MR. HOCUTT: DO YOU KNOW HOW MUCH THAT WOULD BE FOR IF
- 11 INDEED TT DID HAVE TO COVER?
- MR. CAYABYAB: RIGHT NOW THERE'S ABOUT 72,000 THAT WAS
- 13 DONE, AND WE FIGURED OUT LESS THAN A \$100,000 ADDED TO
- 14 THAT.
- 15 MR. HOCUTT: SO ANOTHER \$100,000?
- 16 MR. CAYABYAB: YEAH. WILL COMPLETE THE PROJECT.
- 17 MR. CATES: WHEN WILL WE KNOW IF YOU NEED TO TAKE
- 18 MONEY FROM TT?
- 19 MR. CAYABYAB: WE'RE GOING OUT TO BID ON THE
- 20 REPLACEMENT OF THE INFIELD GRASS. ONCE WE KNOW
- 21 THAT -- THAT'S GOING OUT TO BID NEXT WEEK. ONCE WE KNOW
- 22 THAT, THEN THAT HAS TO COME OUT OF THE MEASURE TT. UNLESS
- 23 I'M ALSO CLOSING OUT A LOT OF FUND 25 WHICH IS DEVELOPING
- 24 PROJECTS, AND I'M TRYING TO SUPPLEMENT THE EXISTING
- 25 DEVELOPER FEE FOR THAT PROJECT TO BE ABLE TO FUND IT. SO

- 1 UNLESS I HAD TO, I'LL GO TO MEASURE TT, BUT IF NOT, THEN IT
- 2 WILL COME OUT OF DEVELOPER FEES.
- 3 MR. HOCUTT: IF YOU GO TO TT, WOULD YOU DO ANOTHER BR?
- 4 MR. CAYABYAB: YES.
- 5 MR. HOCUTT: SO THAT WOULD COME UP AGAIN?
- 6 MR. CAYABYAB: THAT'S CORRECT. IT WILL BE ADDED TO
- 7 THE AD FEES THAT ARE ALREADY THERE ON THE PRIORITY LISTS.
- 8 THAT'S THE ONLY WAY WE CAN FINISH THE PROJECT.
- 9 MR. HOCUTT: THE OTHER COMMENT IN THE BOARD REPORT WAS
- 10 THAT THIS IS DUE TO A DRAINAGE PROBLEM THAT WE INCURRED.
- 11 MR. CAYABYAB: RIGHT.
- MR. HOCUTT: BUT, MIGUEL'S CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORT
- 13 SAID WE WERE 85 PERCENT THROUGH WITH THE ENTIRE PROJECT.
- 14 HAS DOES A DRAINAGE PROBLEM COME UP AT THE 85 PERCENT
- 15 COMPLETION MARK?
- 16 MR. CATES: ON ONE END OF THE FIELD AND WE FOUND OUT
- 17 THAT UNDER THE POTHOLES THAT ENTIRE AREA WHERE THE TRACK
- 18 USED TO BE WAS A DUMP SITE. THAT'S WHAT HAPPENED. THE
- 19 DRAINAGE PROBLEM SUNK IN THE AREA WHERE THE DAMP CITE WAS.
- 20 MR. CATES: DOESN'T SOMEONE RUN SOILS TESTS?
- MR. CAYABYAB: WE DID RUN A SOILS TEST, YES. WHEN WE
- 22 DUG FURTHER AND FURTHER, WE FOUND OUT THE IRRIGATION
- 23 DRAINAGE SUNK IN THE AREA RIGHT ON THE EDGE OF THE FIELD.
- 24 SO AT THAT TIME WE FOUND OUT THAT THAT WHOLE PLACE WAS A
- 25 DUMP SITE. THAT TRACK SHOULDN'T HAVE BEEN BUILT THERE TO

- 1 BEGIN WITH. THAT SEEMS TO BE THE PROBLEMS WE'RE
- 2 ENCOUNTERING.
- 3 MR. HOCUTT: NONE OF THE SCHOOL RECORDS SHOW THAT TYPE
- 4 OF CONDITION EXISTING?
- 5 MR. CAYABYAB: NO. SAME THING WITH ABOUT A YEAR AND A
- 6 HALF AGO WITH BLAIR NEW CONSTRUCTION. WE FOUND
- 7 CONTAMINATED SOIL DOWN THERE WHEN WE DID THAT. WE FOUND
- 8 SOME OTHER -- THE REPORT WAS OUT, AND WE HAD TO GET
- 9 INVOLVED WITH TRYING TO GET RID OF THOSE THINGS WHICH WE
- 10 ARE DOING NOW AS PART OF THE PROJECT. THERE'S A LOT OF
- 11 ASBESTOS IN THAT ENTIRE BUILDING THAT WE'VE ENCOUNTERED.
- 12 WHAT I CAN SAY.
- 13 MR. CATES: NELSON TELL ME THIS ISN'T A SUPER FUND
- 14 SITE?
- MR. CAYABYAB: NO, NO. IT'S CHALLENGING. IT'S
- 16 CHALLENGING.
- 17 MR. CATES: I UNDERSTAND THAT. THAT'S NOT YOUR
- 18 RESPONSIBILITY.
- 19 MR. CAYABYAB: BELIEVE ME. THAT'S WHY WE GO THROUGH
- 20 THE PROCESS OF IDENTIFYING A LOT OF THE HAZMATS FIRST.
- 21 DIGGING INTO THE SOIL. BUT STILLS THINGS DIDN'T SHOW UP.
- 22 THAT'S THE NATURE OF THE BEAST.
- MS. VANCE: I THINK WHEN THEY SAID 85 PERCENT THAT
- 24 MEANS THE SCOPE OF THE WHOLE PROJECT, AND SO THIS IS JUST
- 25 RELATING TO THE FIELD LIKE THE PLAYGROUND -- NOT

- 1 PLAYGROUND -- TRACK AND FIELD. THAT USUALLY IS DONE NEAR
- 2 THE END; RIGHT?
- 3 MR. HOCUTT: I THINK THE PROJECT WAS THE CONSTRUCTION
- 4 OF THE TRACK, AND THE 85 PERCENT REFERS TO JUST THE
- 5 CONSTRUCTION OF THE TRACK.
- 6 MS. VANCE: I DON'T THINK SO. I'M SORRY.
- 7 MR. BOLAND: WHAT WERE THEY DUMPING THERE? ILLEGAL
- 8 DUMPING?
- 9 MR. CAYABYAB: WE FOUND OLD PIPING, ALL THAT STUFF
- 10 WHEN WE DO THE CORE. AND SAND THAT WAS PILED ON TOP OF THE
- 11 JUNK. SO WHAT HAPPENED OVER THE YEARS, THINGS COLLAPSED
- 12 AND YOU DON'T FIND OUT ABOUT IT, AND IT GETS FILLED ON TOP,
- 13 AND YOU DON'T FIND OUT ABOUT IT UNTIL YOU ACTUALLY GO
- 14 THROUGH THE IRRIGATION SYSTEM AND THE DRAINAGE SYSTEM AND
- 15 THAT'S WHAT HAPPENED. THE 85 PERCENT IS JUST THE
- 16 REPLACEMENT OF THE TRACK. THE CONCRETE IS WAITING TO BE
- 17 CURED RIGHT NOW. SO ONCE THE CONCRETE IS READY TO BE
- 18 CURED, THE FIELD IS READY TO BE PREPARED, AND THEY'LL PUT
- 19 THE ARTIFICIAL TRACK ON TOP. THEY'VE DELAYED THE GRASS
- 20 BECAUSE OF THE FUNDING. SO WE'RE GOING TO SEED THAT AND
- 21 MOVE THAT ON TO OTHER MEANS, BUT WHILE WE WERE DOING THAT,
- 22 WHILE THEY WERE LEVELING THE TRACK AND SO FORTH AND
- 23 FOLLOWING UP ON THE IRRIGATION SYSTEM, WE FOUND OUT THAT
- 24 THE DRAINAGE WAS NOT APPROPRIATE IN THAT AREA.
- 25 MR. HOCUTT: I JUST TO ASK.

- 1 MR. BOLAND: WHEN IT RAINED, YOU WOULD HAVE FOUND THAT
- 2 OUT.
- 3 MR. CAYABYAB: THAT'S CORRECT.
- 4 MR. HOCUTT: AND THE BR SAID THAT THE PROJECT WAS 85
- 5 PERCENT COMPLETE AND WOULD BE COMPLETED ON JANUARY 28,
- 6 2018. WAS THAT A TYPE TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR?
- 7 MR. CAYABYAB: IT WAS INTENDED TO BE COMPLETED AT THAT
- 8 TIME. NOW WE'RE LOOKING AT PROBABLY MARCH BECAUSE OF THE
- 9 CURE TIME FOR THE CONCRETE.
- 10 MR. HOCUTT: WILL THAT RUN THE COST UP?
- 11 MR. CAYABYAB: NO.
- MR. HOCUTT: BR 1275 AND 1276 WERE NOT SUBMITTED TO
- 13 THE COC. DO WE KNOW WHAT THOSE WERE ABOUT? 75 AND 76?
- 14 MR. CAYABYAB: THOSE HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THE COC.
- 15 JUST MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE USE OF THE MUIR
- 16 RANCH AND THE OTHER ONE. THERE'S NO FUNDING ASSOCIATED FOR
- 17 MEASURE TT ON THAT.
- 18 MR. HOCUTT: MUIR RANCH WAS ONE. WHAT WAS THE OTHER?
- 19 MR. CAYABYAB: PASADENA BLAIR TENNIS ASSOCIATION.
- 20 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING.
- MR. HOCUTT: JUST A USAGE FEE?
- 22 MR. CAYABYAB: NO. THE MUIR RANCH WE ARE TRYING TO
- 23 GET PEF TO TAKE THE ENTIRE CONTRACT COMPLETELY WITH THAT
- 24 FOR WHATEVER REASONS THAT I DON'T CARE TO GET INTO. IT'S
- 25 NOT MY DUTY TO SAY SO. BUT WHAT WE WANT TO ACCOMPLISH WITH

- 1 THAT IS THAT THE MUIR RANCH PROJECT WILL BE UNDER THE
- 2 COGNIZANCE OF THE PEF. SO THE PEF WILL BE THE ONE TO
- 3 PROVIDE THE CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE AND ALL THAT AND
- 4 MANAGE THE MUIR RANCH SO WE HAVE THAT UNDERSTANDING. THE
- 5 BLAIR HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS YOU'VE GOT A DONOR THAT WANTS TO
- 6 COME IN AND REFURBISH FIVE OR SO TENNIS COURTS AND PUT THE
- 7 MONEY UP FRONT TO REFURBISH THEM WITH A FIVE TO TEN YEAR
- 8 LEASE THAT THIS INDIVIDUAL HAS A FAMILY MEMBER THAT IS A
- 9 PROMISING PROFESSIONAL, WANTS TO BE ABLE TO USE THE TENNIS
- 10 COURTS FOR THAT IN PLACE OF THE DONATION, BUT MY OBJECTION
- 11 TO THAT IS THAT, YOU KNOW, YOU NEED TO HAVE AN INSURANCE
- 12 JUST IN CASE A PROFESSIONAL PERSON TRIPS OR FALLS OR
- 13 WHATEVER WE'RE LIABLE FOR THAT. YOU HAVE TO HAVE INSURANCE
- 14 TO MAKE SURE THAT -- I KNOW THE SCOPE OF WORK THAT THEY'RE
- 15 DOING IN REFURBISHING THE TENNIS COURTS IN TWO YEARS IS
- 16 GOING TO BE THE SAME AS YOU SEE IT NOW BECAUSE IT'S NOT A
- 17 POST TENSION. THEY'RE SCRAPPING THE TOP, MAKING IT LOOK
- 18 GOOD, PAINT IT AND MAKE IT LOOK PRETTY. BUT HAVING A LEASE
- 19 AMOUNT FOR FIVE YEARS, THERE'S GOT TO BE ON OUT FOR US TO
- 20 REVISIT THAT AFTER TWO YEARS AND THEN PUT SOME MORE MONEY
- 21 INTO IT. THOSE ARE THE ISSUES THAT WE'RE TRYING TO RAISE
- 22 WITH THIS INDIVIDUAL.
- MR. VITALE: CAN HE REQUIRED TO BE SELF-INSURED?
- MR. CAYABYAB: HE CAN'T BE SELF-INSURED BECAUSE HE'S
- 25 UNDER A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE PTA. HE WANTS

- 1 TO COME IN UNDER THE PTA UMBRELLA. I'M ASKING FOR THEM TO
- 2 HAVE A \$2 MILLION LIABILITY AND \$1 MILLION PER OCCURRENCE,
- 3 AND ONLY THEN WE CAN CONSIDER LOOKING AT IT. I MEAN HAVE
- 4 THE LEASE REVIEWABLE ANNUALLY, BUT THIS INDIVIDUAL IS
- 5 PLAYING HARD BALL WITH US. IF I HAVE TO DO IT ANNUALLY,
- 6 I'M NOT GOING TO PUT UP THE MONEY. THE DISTRICT WOULD BE
- 7 LIABLE.
- 8 MR. VITALE: WE CAN'T TAKE THAT LIABILITY CONSIDERING
- 9 THE FINANCIAL STATUS OF THE DISTRICT.
- 10 MR. CAYABYAB: EXACTLY RIGHT. ANYWAY, THAT'S WHAT
- 11 THAT IS ALL ABOUT.
- MR. HOCUTT: SO 1277 IS I THINK AN IDEA TO TRY TO SAVE
- 13 MONEY BY USING STANDARDIZED PARTS FOR SOME OF THE CHILLER
- 14 FACILITIES?
- MR. CAYABYAB: THAT'S CORRECT. THE THING WITH THAT IS
- 16 PREVIOUS REGIME WENT AHEAD AND APPROVED A LOT OF NOISY
- 17 CHILLERS THAT HAVE BEEN INSTALLED. SO WE'VE GOT COMPLAINTS
- 18 NOW FROM THE WASHINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD, THE SIERRA MADRE
- 19 MIDDLE NEIGHBORHOOD. IT'S NOISY. SO WE DID A STUDY ON THE
- 20 THINGS THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE DESIGNING MOVING FORWARD SO
- 21 THAT WE'RE TRYING TO GET IT ON THE STANDARDIZED LIST TO BE
- 22 THIS AND WE'RE KEEPING THE SOUND TO A MINIMUM SO THAT IT
- 23 MEETS THE NOISE THING FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD SO WE DON'T HAVE
- 24 TO DEAL WITH THE NOISE STUFF GOING ON. WE WOULD LIKE TO
- 25 MAKE IT A STANDARD. WE CAN'T GET AWAY FROM THAT FACT THAT

- 1 WE HAVE TO PROVIDE IT AS UNEQUAL BECAUSE THAT'S PUBLIC
- 2 WORKS LAW. WE HAVE TO GIVE THEM THE OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE US
- 3 SOMETHING THAT IS EQUAL, BUT WE CAN STIPULATE BY MAKING
- 4 THIS A STANDARD ON A DISTRICT WIDE LIST THAT THEY NEED TO
- 5 SUBMIT A SUBMITTAL FOR THE SUBSTITUTE FOR US TO APPROVE SO
- 6 THAT WAY WE CAN MAKE THE STANDARDS.
- 7 IF WE DON'T MAINTAIN STANDARD THROUGHOUT LIKE
- 8 WE'VE DONE IN THE PAST, YOU'VE GOT TRAIN THERE, YOU'VE GOT
- 9 THIS THERE, THE MAINTENANCE PEOPLE ARE GOING ALL OVER THE
- 10 PLACE.
- 11 MS. VANCE: THIS MAKES IT EASIER FOR TO YOU DO THE
- 12 RFQS SO ONCE THEY APPROVE THIS MEMORANDUM OR WHATEVER IT
- 13 IS, WHEN YOU SEND OUT THE RFOS TO REPLACE CHILLERS, YOU
- 14 ALREADY HAVE LIKE A CENTRALIZED --
- 15 MR. CAYABYAB: THIS IS OUR STANDARD. WE'VE USED THIS
- 16 FOR THE NEW PROJECTS COMING UP. MCKINLEY HAS THIS AND ALL
- 17 THE OTHER ONES THAT HAVE JUST BEEN COMPLETED. WE JUST NEED
- 18 TO ESTABLISH THIS SO WE DON'T HAVE SO MANY DIFFERENT
- 19 VARIATIONS.
- 20 MS. VANCE: IT'S VERY HARD TO COMPARE APPLES TO
- 21 APPLES.
- 22 MR. BOLAND: I CAN'T BELIEVE THEY HAD DIFFERENT THINGS
- MS. VANCE: IT'S SO EASY TO DO. YOU HAVE DIFFERENT
- 24 CONTRACTORS, AND THEY SPEC OUT WITH DIFFERENT ARCHITECTS
- 25 AND THEY SPEC OUT DIFFERENT STUFF, AND THAT'S WHAT GETS IN

- 1 THE SCHOOL. TO HAVE A STANDARDIZED THING IS A SMART IDEA.
- 2 MR. VITALE: IT'S NOT UNUSUAL FOR A DISTRICT TO
- 3 ESTABLISH THEIR OWN STANDARDS THAT ARE GIVEN TO THE
- 4 ARCHITECT FOR INCORPORATION INTO THE SPECIFICATIONS.
- 5 MR. CAYABYAB: IF I'M A CONTRACTOR, I MIGHT SAY I HAVE
- 6 A CHEAP UNIT HERE. I'LL INSTALL IT.
- 7 MR. VITALE: WE WANT TO ESTABLISH A LEVEL OF QUALITY
- 8 WHICH IS WHAT YOU'RE DOING.
- 9 MR. HOCUTT: THIS IS NO IMPACT TO MEASURE TT?
- 10 MR. CAYABYAB: NO. IT GETS THIS PARTICULAR UNIT ON
- 11 OUR DISTRICT STANDARDS. SO FROM NOW ON WHAT WE'RE DOING IS
- 12 THAT IF WE HAVE A NEW PROJECT COMING UP, A NEW DESIGN
- 13 PROJECT COMING UP, OKAY, ARCHITECT, THIS IS OUR DISTRICT
- 14 STANDARDS. YOU WILL SPECIFY THESE THINGS UNDER YOUR
- 15 DISTRICT STANDARDS. WE NEED TO HAVE BETTER CONTROLS.
- 16 MR. HOCUTT: THE LAST BR WAS ACTUALLY FOR THE BOARD TO
- 17 ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION FOR STEVEN COLE FROM MEMBERSHIP COC.
- 18 STEVE DID WRITE AN EXTENSIVE LETTER OF RESIGNATION SO IN
- 19 THIS CASE IT WOULD CERTAINLY CONSTITUTE A RESIGNATION OF
- 20 SERVICE. SO HE'S RESIGNING.
- MR. CATES: WHICH IS WHY I RECOMMENDED THAT WE TAKE NO
- 22 ACTION. THE BOARD DOESN'T NEED TO ACCEPT A RESIGNATION AS
- 23 QUINCY JUST SAID. ONE CAN RESIGN AT ANY TIME FOR ANY
- 24 REASON WHETHER THE BOARD ACCEPTS IT OR NOT. SO I DON'T
- 25 KNOW WHY THIS NEEDS TO BE THE SUBJECT.

- 1 MR. CAYABYAB: BECAUSE MS. KEENE WANTED TO PUT THE
- 2 REST OF THE FOLKS THAT RESIGNED BEFORE THE BOARD.
- 3 MR. CATES: AS I'M SURE YOU KNOW, HIS RESIGNATION
- 4 LETTER WAS DISTRIBUTED WIDELY INCLUDING TO ALL MEMBERS OF
- 5 THE BOARD. I SUPPOSE IT DOESN'T DO ANY HARM, BUT AS I SAY,
- 6 THE BOARD DOESN'T NEED TO ACCEPT ANYONE'S RESIGNATION.
- 7 THAT'S A UNILATERAL ACT. UNILATERAL RIGHT.
- 8 MR. HOCUTT: SO YOU'RE SAYING TAKE NO ACTION?
- 9 MR. CATES: TAKE NO ACTION.
- 10 MR. VITALE: WOULD AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT BE APPROPRIATE?
- 11 MR. CATES: THAT IS FINE.
- MR. HOCUTT: I GUESS IN SUMMARY WE WOULD VOTE TO
- 13 APPROVE 2074 WHICH IS THE ATHLETIC TRACK. WE CERTAINLY
- 14 APPROVE 1277 WHICH IS THE NEW STANDARDS OF THE CHILLERS AND
- 15 WHAT WAS THE WORD WE WERE GOING TO USE FOR THE RESIGNATION?
- MR. VITALE: ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.
- MR. HOCUTT: SO DO I HEAR A MOTION TO PROCEED IN THAT
- 18 MANNER?
- 19 MS. VANCE: I'LL MAKE A MOTION
- 20 MR. VITALE: I'LL SECOND THE MOTION.
- MR. CATES: ALL THOSE IN FAVOR? OPPOSED? SO AGAIN
- 22 THAT'S NINE TO ZERO. WE'RE GOING TO SET A RECORD FOR A
- 23 SHORT MEETING. JUST A COUPLE OF MONTHS AGO WE SET A RECORD
- 24 FOR THREE AND A HALF HOURS.
- 25 REAPPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS WHO TERMS EXPIRE ON

- 1 MARCH 1, 2018, AND WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR REAPPOINTMENT.
- 2 THERE ARE TWO, GLENN AND JEN. I KNOW THAT JEN IS COMMITTED
- 3 TO SERVE ANOTHER TERM.
- 4 MS. WANG: YES, I HAVE RESPONDED BY EMAIL.
- 5 MR. CATES: THANK YOU.
- 6 TO DATE GLENN HAS EXPRESSED A DESIRE NOT TO BE
- 7 REAPPOINTED, AND I'M TRYING TO PERSUADE HIM TO CHANGE HIS
- 8 MIND. I THINK HE MAKES A VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION. HE BRINGS
- 9 HIS EXPERTISE AS AN ARCHITECT TO THIS COMMITTEE.
- 10 MR. BOLAND: AND HE'S TOO BUSY?
- MR. CATES: THAT'S WHAT HE TOLD ME. HE SAID, YOU
- 12 KNOW, I HAVE A LIFE. HE WORKS FULL TIME. HE'S GOT A
- 13 FAMILY. AND AS YOU ALL KNOW, TO DO THIS JOB PROPERLY TAKES
- 14 A FAIR AMOUNT OF TIME. ANYWAY, FOR THE NEXT WEEK I WILL
- 15 TRY TO PREVAIL UPON HIM, AND, THEREAFTER, QUINCY MAYBE YOU
- 16 WILL TRY TO DO THE SAME. I'M NOT HOPEFUL. IF HE, IN FACT,
- 17 IS NOT REAPPOINTED, WE'RE DOWN TO NINE.
- 18 MR. HOCUTT: I HAVE A QUESTION. WHAT HAPPENS IF THIS
- 19 COMMITTEE FALLS TO EIGHT, LESS THAN THE NUMBER REQUIRED?
- 20 MR. BOLAND: YOU EXTEND THE APPLICATION.
- 21 MS. VANCE: I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANYTHING THAT
- 22 HAPPENS. YOU KEEP MEETING WITH HOWEVER MANY YOU HAVE.
- MR. HOCUTT: I'M JUST CURIOUS. YOU DON'T HAVE THE
- 24 MINIMUM REQUIRED BY STATE LAW.
- 25 MS. VANCE: YOU TRY TO GET IT.

- 1 MR. CAYABYAB: IT JUST GETS NOTED ON THE REPORT.
- 2 MR. CATES: THE LAW SAYS, I BELIEVE, AND I'LL CHECK IN
- 3 A MOMENT THAT THERE MUST BE SEVEN MEMBERS. THE BYLAWS SAY
- 4 NINE. SO WHATEVER IS THE HIGHER STANDARD APPLIES, BUT WHAT
- 5 ARE THE LEGAL CONSEQUENCES OF DROPPING BELOW THAT? I HAVE
- 6 NO IDEA. IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED SHOULD THAT HAPPEN, I
- 7 WILL VOLUNTEER TO DO THE RESEARCH. I JUST DON'T KNOW.
- 8 ELECTION OF NEW CHAIR, ITEM III-H. ALLOW ME TO
- 9 GIVE YOU MY THOUGHTS BEFORE WE ACT ON THIS. I STRONGLY
- 10 ENCOURAGE ALL OF YOU TO ELECT QUINCY AS THE NEXT CHAIR. NO
- 11 ONE KNOWS BETTER THAN I HOW LONG AND HARD HE'S WORKED ON
- 12 THIS COMMITTEE. IT'S MANY HOURS A WEEK. MOST OF THE
- 13 FINANCIAL ANALYSIS YOU SEE, PARTICULARLY THE ANALYSIS OF
- 14 BOARD REPORTS, IS DONE BY QUINCY. NO OTHER COMMITTEE
- 15 MEMBER HAS THE DEPTH OF KNOWLEDGE OR EXPERIENCE, AND AS YOU
- 16 KNOW, HE'S BEEN THE VICE CHAIR, AND I THINK NO MEMBER OF
- 17 THE COMMITTEE IS MORE COMMITTED THAN HE IN SEEING THAT WE
- 18 EXERCISE OUR OVERSIGHT FUNCTION. SO I RECOMMEND QUINCY TO
- 19 YOU AS THE NEXT CHAIR. THAT'S MY PERSONAL OPINION.
- 20 MS. VANCE: DOES THE CHAIR -- WE DON'T ELECT THE VICE
- 21 CHAIR? THE CHAIR APPOINTS?
- 22 MR. CATES: WE ELECT A VICE CHAIR, BUT I DIDN'T PUT
- 23 THAT ON THE AGENDA BECAUSE I WANTED TO GIVE OUR NEXT CHAIR
- 24 THE OPPORTUNITY TO TALK TO CANDIDATES WHO ARE INTERESTED.
- 25 IT'S IMPORTANT THAT THE CHAIR AND THE VICE CHAIR WORK

- 1 TOGETHER AS OPPOSED TO --
- 2 MS. VANCE: I DON'T THINK YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE MUCH
- 3 ARGUMENT. I'M MAKE A MOTION TO ELECT QUINCY AS THE NEXT
- 4 CHAIR.
- 5 MR. CATES: I SECOND.
- 6 MR. BOLAND: CAN I SAY SOMETHING? I'M GOING TO VOTE
- 7 FOR QUINCY, BUT I WANT A BETTER RELATIONSHIP WITH THE
- 8 SCHOOL DISTRICT GOING FORWARD, AND I DON'T WANT TO BE IN
- 9 HERE ARGUING ABOUT IT ALL THE TIME. SO, YOU KNOW, IF I
- 10 OBJECT TO SOMETHING, IT'S ALWAYS MY HONEST OPINION, AND SO
- 11 I'M NOT HERE TO ARGUE WITH PEOPLE, BUT SOMETIMES I ARGUE
- 12 WITH PEOPLE. AND I THINK THAT IF YOU WANT AN EFFECTIVE
- 13 COMMITTEE, IT NEEDS TO HAVE A BETTER WORKING RELATIONSHIP
- 14 WITH THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.
- I DO HAVE A REQUEST FOR YOU, BUT I DO THINK
- 16 YOU'RE AN OBVIOUS APPOINTMENT.
- 17 MR. CATES: ALL THOSE IN FAVOR? OPPOSED? OBJECT?
- 18 ABSTAIN? QUINCY NINE TO ZERO. HE TAKES OVER MARCH 1.
- 19 MR. VITALE: CONDOLENCES.
- 20 MR. HOCUTT: LET ME SAY IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED IN THE
- 21 POSITION OF VICE CHAIR, PLEASE CALL ME, EMAIL, AND LET'S
- 22 CHAT.
- MR. CATES: PLEASE BECAUSE THE JOB IS TOO MUCH FOR ONE
- 24 MAN. I SHOULD SAY ONE PERSON.
- 25 MS. VANCE: I WAS JUST GOING TO CORRECT YOU.

- 1 MR. CATES: YOU KNOW, GRETCHEN, I STILL SAY MANKIND
- 2 WITHOUT BEING SEXIST.
- 3 WILLIE?
- 4 MR. ORDONEZ: FRANCIS STATED THAT WE SHOULD CEMENT A
- 5 BETTER RELATIONSHIP WITH THE SCHOOL BOARD. HOW ABOUT THE
- 6 RELATIONSHIP ALSO WITH THIS COMMITTEE?
- 7 MR. CATES: YOU RAISE A VERY GOOD POINT, AND I PLAN TO
- 8 ADDRESS THAT VERY SUBJECT AT THE END OF THIS MEETING. I
- 9 THINK WE ALL WOULD PREFER AN AMICABLE WORKING RELATIONSHIP
- 10 WHICH CLEARLY DOES NOT EXIST NOW.
- MR. BOLAND: A RELATIONSHIP IS A TWO-WAY STREET. WHEN
- 12 I SAY A BETTER RELATIONSHIP --
- 13 MR. ORDONEZ: I'M SAYING IT SHOULD BE MUTUAL BECAUSE
- 14 WHAT I HAVE NOTICED HERE IS ALL DOCUMENTATIONS THAT ARE
- 15 BEING REQUESTED BY THIS COMMITTEE, I DON'T KNOW WHY, BUT
- 16 IT'S NOT REALLY BEING TAKEN SERIOUSLY SO WE'RE WASTING A
- 17 LOT OF TIME MEETING ONCE A MONTH AND PAPERWORK IS NOT
- 18 SHOWING UP, AND WE CANNOT PROCEED WITHOUT THIS PAPERWORK.
- 19 GOING BACK AND FORTH, GOING BACK AND FORTH, EXPECTING THAT
- 20 WE CAN ACT ON AND MOVE FORWARD. NOTHING. THAT'S WHAT I'VE
- 21 NOTICED.
- 22 MR. CATES: I COULDN'T AGREE WITH YOU MORE. CAN YOU
- 23 HOLD THAT THOUGHT OR THE REMAINDER OF THAT THOUGHT FOR A
- 24 LITTLE BIT, AND WE'RE GOING TO GET TO THIS VERY SUBJECT:
- 25 HOW DO WE ACHIEVE A MORE EFFECTIVE WORKING RELATIONSHIP.

- 1 CONGRATULATIONS, QUINCY.
- 2 ITEM III-I. THE APPOINTMENT OF A NEW COC LIAISON
- 3 TO THE FACILITIES COMMITTEE GIVEN THE RESIGNATION OF STEVE
- 4 COLE.
- 5 MS. DUDLEY: ORIGINALLY YOU HAD ASKED ME TO DO IT. I
- 6 DID GO TO ONE MEETING. HOWEVER, I HAVE A 7:00 A.M. MEETING
- 7 ON THAT SAME DAY, AND I HAVE A 7:00 P.M. MEETING, AND I
- 8 WORK IN BETWEEN, AND I TRIED THAT ONE TIME, AND IT WAS JUST
- 9 TOO MUCH.
- 10 MR. CATES: WELL, I MADE AN ERROR IN PUTTING THIS ON
- 11 THE AGENDA BECAUSE THIS IS A MATTER FOR THE DISCRETION OF
- 12 THE CHAIR. NOW, OF COURSE YOU'RE GOING TO WANT TO APPOINT
- 13 SOMEONE WHO CAN DO IT.
- MR. HOCUTT: AND/OR WANTS TO DO IT.
- MR. CATES: AND WANTS TO DO IT.
- 16 MR. BOLAND: I'LL BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO DO IT.
- 17 DEPENDING ON SCHEDULE.
- 18 MS. VANCE: THEY MEET AT 3:00.
- MR. CAYABYAB: USUALLY BEFORE THE BOARD MEETING.
- 20 MR. BOLAND: ONCE A MONTH.
- 21 MS. VANCE: SOMETIMES THEY HAVE A SPECIAL MEETING, AND
- 22 I BELIEVE IT'S AT 3:00 OR 3:30 BEFORE THE MEETING ON THE
- 23 FOURTH THURSDAY.
- MR. BOLAND: WHERE IS IT? AT YOUR PLACE?
- MS. VANCE: HERE.

- 1 MR. CAYABYAB: 229.
- MS. VANCE: ISN'T THE BOARD MEETING TOMORROW?
- 3 MS. DUDLEY: TOMORROW IS THE FOURTH THURSDAY.
- 4 MR. CAYABYAB: IT'S USUALLY SCHEDULED RIGHT BEFORE THE
- 5 BOARD MEETING, BUT THIS WEEK WAS AN ODD ONE.
- 6 MR. HOCUTT: SO IT WAS LAST WEEK?
- 7 MS. VANCE: SO IS TOMORROW A SPECIAL MEETING?
- 8 MR. CAYABYAB: TOMORROW IS A REGULAR BOARD MEETING,
- 9 BUT THE FACILITIES COMMITTEE WAS LAST WEEK.
- 10 MS. VANCE: THEY MET FOR A SPECIAL MEETING?
- MR. CAYABYAB: FOR SOME ODD REASON.
- 12 MR. BOLAND: WE'LL WORK IT OUT. ALL RIGHT.
- 13 MR. CATES: OUR LIAISON TO THE FACILITIES COMMITTEE IS
- 14 IMPORTANT BECAUSE HE DELIVERIES OUR RECOMMENDATIONS TO THIS
- 15 BOARD COMMITTEE. A PROBLEM HAS ALWAYS BEEN THAT THE
- 16 FACILITIES COMMITTEE WHICH MEETS ON THE SAME DAY AS THE
- 17 ENTIRE BOARD REALLY DOESN'T HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO CONSIDER
- 18 OUR RECOMMENDATIONS OR ANY OTHERS. SO THAT IS A PROBLEM
- 19 THAT I HAPPILY LEAVE TO ALL OF YOU.
- 20 MR. CAYABYAB: CAN I JUST VOICE MY OPINION ON
- 21 SOMETHING. THE LIAISON COMMITTEE MEMBER FROM THE COC IS
- 22 VERY IMPORTANT NOT ONLY THE FACT THAT THERE ARE DECISIONS
- 23 BEING MADE BY THE BOARD THAT YOU FOLKS NEED TO HAVE PREVIEW
- 24 OF IF YOU'RE GOING TO GO OUTSIDE BEYOND YOUR CHARGE
- 25 RESPONSIBILITY. OKAY? SO YOU REALLY NEED TO HAVE A LOT --

- 1 LIKE, FOR EXAMPLE, RIGHT NOW I GAVE YOU GUYS A COPY OF THE
- 2 MEASURE TT PRIORITY PLAN, AND IN IT THERE ARE SOME
- 3 QUESTIONABLE THINGS THAT ARE INAPPROPRIATE. I ADMIT IT.
- 4 THEY'RE INAPPROPRIATE FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF MEASURE TT,
- 5 AND I WOULD STRONGLY ENCOURAGE THAT THIS COMMITTEE GO
- 6 THROUGH THAT IN DETAIL BECAUSE ONCE THE BOARD APPROVES
- 7 THAT, THAT IS THE MASTER PLAN FOR THE REMAINING OF TT. IF
- 8 YOU NEED TO BASE YOUR OPINION AGAINST OR FOR OF WHATEVER,
- 9 YOU NEED TO DO IT NOW BEFORE THE MARCH BOARD MEETING.
- 10 MR. BOLAND: YOU'RE SAYING THERE ARE THINGS IN THERE
- 11 THAT ARE QUESTIONABLE?
- 12 MR. CAYABYAB: YES. THERE ARE SITE NEEDS,
- 13 PLAYGROUNDS, UPKEEP, BEATIFICATION. THOSE THINGS EVEN
- 14 THOUGH THERE'S NO OTHER FUNDING TO BE ABLE TO TAKE IT OUT
- 15 OF, TO ME THERE'S A GRAY LINE ON USING MEASURE TT FUNDS. I
- 16 ADMIT THAT. IF YOU FOLKS REALLY WANT TO DO YOUR DUTY AND
- 17 SCRUTINIZE IT, NOW IS THE TIME TO LOOK AT IT. ONCE THE
- 18 BOARD APPROVES THAT THING THAT IS GOING TO BE MY DIRECTION
- 19 THAT THESE ARE THE PROJECTS THAT WE'RE DOING, AND IF
- 20 SOMETHING COMES UP AND DOESN'T GET DONE, WE REFURBISH IT,
- 21 WE TAKE IT FROM THE LOWEST PRIORITY LIST AND BRING IT UP TO
- 22 ACCOMPLISH THE PROJECTS THAT HAVE BEEN DONE UNDER THE
- 23 MEASURE TT.
- 24 MS. VANCE: THAT'S NOT ON TOMORROW'S BOARD MEETING?
- MR. CAYABYAB: NO. MARCH 25TH. BUT YOU HAVE A COPY

- 1 OF IT FOR YOU TO STUDY, TO LOOK AT. THAT SHOULD BE
- 2 INDICATED -- YOUR OBJECTION SHOULD BE INDICATED TO THE COC
- 3 OR THE FACILITIES COMMITTEE LIAISON SO THAT WHEN THE
- 4 DECISIONS ARE BEING MADE AT THE FACILITIES COMMITTEE THAT
- 5 INDIVIDUAL CAN BRING FORWARD YOUR OBJECTIONS OR IF YOU'RE
- 6 AGAINST IT OR NOT.
- 7 MR. BOLAND: I'M GOING TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT THAT IN
- 8 OUR MEETING IN MARCH; RIGHT?
- 9 MR. CAYABYAB: RIGHT.
- 10 MR. BOLAND: SO WE SHOULD FIGURE THAT OUT, AND I
- 11 SHOULD GET ALL THAT SQUARED AWAY TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT IT.
- MR. CAYABYAB: LASTLY, I'M ALL CONGRATULATIONS,
- 13 OUINCY. I'M ALL IN FAVOR OF YOU BECAUSE YOU AND I DON'T
- 14 SEE EYE TO EYE AT TIMES, BUT, HEY, YOU KNOW, YOU KEEP ME ON
- 15 MY TOES SO CONGRATULATIONS. I APPRECIATE THAT. I
- 16 GUARANTEE YOU ONCE THE MEASURE TT PRIORITY PLAN IS
- 17 APPROVED, THAT'S ALL WE'RE GOING TO DO. SO THE REMAINING
- 18 TWO YEARS OF THIS COMMITTEE I'M JUST GOING TO BRING IT
- 19 FORWARD IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MEASURE TT PLAN, AND THE
- 20 COMMITTEE WILL HAVE NOTHING ELSE TO DO EXCEPT MONITOR THOSE
- 21 EXPENDITURES.
- MR. BOLAND: WE CAN HAVE CUPCAKES.
- MS. VANCE: THAT'S HELPFUL BECAUSE I'VE BEEN ASKING
- 24 FOR THIS FOR LIKE THE LAST SIX YEARS I'VE BEEN ON THIS
- 25 COMMITTEE.

- 1 MR. VITALE: IS THERE ANYTHING TO PRECLUDE FRANCIS
- 2 FROM HAVING A MEETING WITH NELSON PRIOR TO THAT MARCH 25TH
- 3 TO COME UP TO SPEED WITH THIS?
- 4 MR. CAYABYAB: NO. COME OVER.
- 5 MR. CATES: THAT IS UP TO THE NEW CHAIR. THERE'S
- 6 NOTHING TO PRECLUDE IT. IT'S THE DECISION OF THE CHAIR.
- 7 MR. CAYABYAB: LASTLY, WE NEED TO MOVE ON. WE HAVE TO
- 8 STOP CONTINUING THIS, THIS, AND THIS AND KEEP GOING WITH
- 9 IT. ONCE THAT TT PRIORITY LIST IS DONE AND ONCE THE ANNUAL
- 10 REPORT IS ACCEPTED OR REJECTED OR WHATEVER, WE NEED TO MOVE
- 11 ON.
- 12 MR. VITALE: YOUR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THESE GRAY AREAS
- 13 IS THE BEST THING THAT YOU COULD HAVE DONE, AND BY
- 14 ACKNOWLEDGING THEM IT PUTS US IN A POSITION THEN TO ACCEPT
- 15 OR REJECT YOUR CONCERNS ABOUT THAT RELATIVE TO OUR
- 16 RESPONSIBILITIES, AND, FRANCIS, YOU'RE DEFINITELY THE GUY
- 17 TO DO THAT.
- 18 MR. CAYABYAB: I JUST DON'T WANT TO COME BACK LATER ON
- 19 AND SAY, HEY, MTT APPROVED THIS. COC YOU PROVIDED THIS
- 20 INFORMATION, YOU'RE AGAINST IT OR FOR IT OR WHATEVER, AND
- 21 THEN LATER WE DIDN'T APPROVE THAT. THAT'S AN INAPPROPRIATE
- 22 USE OF TT FUNDS. WE DIDN'T APPROVE THAT. I DON'T WANT.
- MR. VITALE: FRANCIS, IS THE NAME OF THE GAME.
- MR. CAYABYAB: ALSO, LASTLY LET'S GO BACK TO THE OLD
- 25 WAYS WHEN WE WOULD MEET. LET'S MEET AT THE SITES WHERE

- 1 THEY'RE HAVING CONSTRUCTION. YOU'VE GOT AN HOUR FOR THE
- 2 PRINCIPAL TO SHOW YOU WHAT THE HECK IS IT GOING TO COST.
- 3 MS. VANCE: I'M SAYING THAT WAS MY IDEA.
- 4 MR. CAYABYAB: GIVE THAT PRINCIPAL THE OPPORTUNITY TO
- 5 DO THAT. THAT WAY YOU CAN SEE WHAT'S GOING ON. THERE'S A
- 6 LOT OF THINGS GOING ON AROUND YOU, BELIEVE IT OR NOT.
- 7 MR. CATES: FIRST, THANK YOU FOR YOUR CANDOR AND
- 8 PUTTING US ON NOTICE. THAT'S IMPORTANT.
- 9 QUINCY, YOU WILL DEAL WITH THAT.
- 10 MR. HOCUTT: BY THE WAY, I'VE ALWAYS THOUGHT THAT THE
- 11 PURPOSE OF THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE WAS SIMPLY TO DO EXACTLY
- 12 WHAT YOU SAID. KEEP YOU ON YOUR TOES. THAT'S WHY WE
- 13 EXIST.
- 14 MR. CAYABYAB: I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH IT.
- 15 MS. VANCE: YOU SAID THE 25TH MEETING, BUT THAT'S A
- 16 SUNDAY. DO YOU KNOW MEAN THE REGULAR MARCH BOARD MEETING?
- 17 MR. CAYABYAB: YES.
- 18 MS. VANCE: WHICH WOULD BE THE FOURTH THURSDAY.
- 19 MR. VITALE: THE 22ND THEN.
- 20 MS. AWL: THE 22ND IS SPRING BREAK.
- MR. CAYABYAB: WE NEED TO SEND OUT WHEN THE NEXT
- 22 MEETING IS.
- MR. BOLAND: YOU'RE RIGHT. I'LL BE IN MAUI.
- I'LL GET WITH YOU, AND WE'LL CHAT.
- 25 MR. CATES: NELSON, I GET -- AGAIN, I THANK YOU FOR

- 1 YOUR CANDOR, AND YOUR HEADS UP. THAT'S WHAT WE NEED.
- 2 FRANCIS, I THANK YOU FOR YOUR OPEN-MINDEDNESS.
- 3 IN SEPTEMBER YOU VOTED TO FIRE THIS GUY YOU JUST VOTED TO
- 4 ELECT AS CHAIR.
- 5 MR. BOLAND: I DON'T REGRET DOING THAT.
- 6 MR. CATES: REPORT BY CHIEF OF FACILITIES.
- 7 I GUESS YOU'D ALREADY BEGUN YOUR REPORT. PLEASE
- 8 CONTINUE.
- 9 MR. CAYABYAB: THE ONE THING I WANT TO EMPHASIZE IS WE
- 10 LOOK AT THAT MTT PRIORITY LIST. IN EACH OF THE TABS IN
- 11 ORDERS OF PRIORITY IT TELLS US WHAT THE SITES' NEEDS ARE IN
- 12 THESE CATEGORIES. WE HAVE REPRIORTIZED THOSE. WHEN THE
- 13 TIME COMES THAT THERE IS SOME MONEY LEFT OVER ON THE
- 14 PROJECTS THAT ARE EXISTING, I'LL REACH DOWN UNDERNEATH
- 15 THOSE IMMEDIATE SITE NEEDS AND START PUTTING THEM IN AS A
- 16 CHANGE ORDER TO MAXIMIZE THE 10 PERCENT CHANGE ORDER
- 17 CONTINGENCY. THAT'S THE ONLY WAY WE'RE GOING TO GET A LOT
- 18 OF THESE THINGS ACCOMPLISHED. THE BUDGET FOR THE SCHOOL
- 19 DISTRICT AS ALL YOU KNOW IS ZILCH, AND IT'S GOING TO BE
- 20 THAT WAY FOR THE NEXT TWO OR THREE YEARS I ENVISION. SO
- 21 THE ONLY WAY WE CAN SUPPORT OUR KIDS ON SOME OF THESE
- 22 THINGS THAT THEY NEED ARE TO BE ABLE TO USE THE STRATEGY TO
- 23 MAXIMIZE THE 10 PERCENT. AND, NO, IT'S NOT LIKE -- I
- 24 DIDN'T DO MY JOB TO PREVENT CHANGE ORDERS, BUT IT'S JUST A
- 25 MEANS AND METHODS FOR ME TO GET A LOT OF OTHER THINGS DONE

- 1 ON THESE PROJECTS.
- 2 MR. BOLAND: WHEN THIS MASTER PLAN COMES OUT, IS THAT
- 3 GUARANTEED WHATEVER IS LAST ON THE LIST IS NOT GOING TO GET
- 4 DONE?
- 5 MR. CAYABYAB: WE'VE BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN BUDGETING WITH
- 6 THE 10 PERCENT CONTINGENCY SO FAR.
- 7 MR. BOLAND: SO THE 10 PERCENT KEEPS YOU FROM NOT
- 8 COMPLETING SOMETHING?
- 9 MR. CAYABYAB: RIGHT, YEAH. BUT YOU AND I WILL
- 10 DISCUSS THAT, AND I'LL DISCUSS WITH YOU WHICH I THINK ARE
- 11 SOME OF THE GRAY AREAS, BUT THAT'S THE REPORT THAT I'M
- 12 GIVING YOU THE HEADS UP ON, AND THEN MOVING FORWARD ONCE
- 13 THE MTT PRIORITY LIST IS DONE, THAT'S ALL WE'RE GOING TO
- 14 DO. ALL THE BOARD REPORTS ARE GOING TO BE RELATED TO THAT
- 15 MTT PRIORITY LIST UNTIL WE'RE DONE WITH THE MONEY.
- 16 LASTLY, SPENDING A LOT OF MONEY ON AUDITORS FOR
- 17 THE REMAINING LEFT \$92 MILLION, EVEN THOUGH IT KIND OF
- 18 SATISFIES OUR NEEDS AS COC, TO ME IT'S A LITTLE BIT OF A
- 19 WASTE OF MONEY TO BE SPENDING THAT MUCH ON IT TO BE HONEST
- 20 WITH YOU BECAUSE \$92 MILLION IS NOT MUCH LEFT TO DO IS MY
- 21 BOTTOM LINE. THAT'S SOMETHING FOR YOU ALL TO CONSIDER. IF
- 22 THESE AUDITORS FROM THE BEGINNING WHEN THEY FIRST SPENT THE
- 23 \$255 MILLION, TO ME THAT WAS WASTEFULLY, BUT THAT WOULD
- 24 HAVE BEEN A PERFECT TIME TO DO IT.
- 25 MR. BOLAND: IT'S A LITTLE LATE TO BEGIN.

- 1 MR. CAYABYAB: RIGHT NOW, YEAH. YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT
- 2 92 MILLION, AND WE'RE GOING TO HAVE THE MASTER PLAN READY,
- 3 HOW TO SPEND IT, AND THAT'S ALL YOU'RE GOING TO SEEK FOR
- 4 APPROVAL, YOU KNOW, JUST SOMETHING FOR YOU ALL TO CONSIDER.
- 5 MS. WANG: DO YOU HAVE A BUDGET IN MIND AS TO HOW MUCH
- 6 WE NEED TO SPEND ON AUDIT?
- 7 MR. CAYABYAB: THE PERFORMANCE AUDIT THAT I DID AT
- 8 BEVERLY HILLS UNIFIED THE LOWEST BUDGET WAS \$120,000 FOR A
- 9 YEAR ANNUALLY. SO THAT'S BOTH THE FINANCIAL AND THE
- 10 PERFORMANCE.
- 11 MS. VANCE: THAT'S A LOT MORE THAN WHAT WE PAID NIGRO
- 12 & NIGRO.
- 13 MR. HOCUTT: TEN TIMES.
- 14 MS. VANCE: I WOULD SAY MAYBE WE COULD MEET IN THE
- 15 MIDDLE AND STILL FIND TWO AUDITORS.
- 16 MR. CAYABYAB: THAT'S THE THING.
- 17 MR. CATES: YOU PUT IT OUT TO BID. SEE WHAT HAPPENS.
- MR. VITALE: YOU CAN REJECT THE BIDS.
- 19 MR. HOCUTT: BUT THERE IS A LEGAL REQUIREMENT TO DO AN
- 20 AUDIT.
- MR. CAYABYAB: YEAH, THERE IS A LEGAL REQUIREMENT.
- 22 MR. HOCUTT: AND 26 PERCENT OF THE BOND FUND IS STILL
- 23 TOGETHER.
- MR. CAYABYAB: I'M JUST THROWING IT OUT THERE.
- 25 MR. CATES: ALL RIGHT. MORE?

- 1 MR. CAYABYAB: THAT'S IT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
- 2 MS. VANCE: ARE WE NOT GOING TO GET THE UPDATE ON THE
- 3 PROJECTS FROM MIGUEL PEREZ?
- 4 MR. PEREZ: FIRST OF ALL YOU HAVE THE 8 BY 17
- 5 SPREADSHEET. YOU HAVE THE STATUS FOR EVERY PROJECT.
- 6 MS. VANCE: MIGUEL DID GET THE COMPUTER SET UP. WE
- 7 WANT TO GIVE HIM THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHOW US THE PICTURES,
- 8 AND HE PUTS THIS TOGETHER EVERY TIME.
- 9 MR. PEREZ: IN THIS LIST WE HAVE INCLUDED MARSHALL AND
- 10 ELIOT WHICH HAD NOT BEEN IN OUR PREVIOUS REPORTS.
- 11 THE BLAIR ALL THE INSULATION AND THE ROOF IS
- 12 DONE, AND WE'RE WAITING TO PLACE THE HVAC EQUIPMENT.
- 13 ANOTHER VIEW. AND THIS IS THE SCAFFOLDING ON THE SOUTH
- 14 SIDE, AND HERE THE SCAFFOLDING WAS SET UP TO DO THE SOFFIT
- 15 INSTALLATION. WHAT HAPPENS IS THAT UNDERNEATH THERE'S A
- 16 DUCT, AC DUCT THAT YOU WILL SEE NEXT, AND THIS WILL KIND OF
- 17 HIDE IT AND PROTECT IT. YOU SEE THESE DUCTS. SO THAT'S
- 18 THE PURPOSE OF ALL OF THAT SOFFIT AMONG OTHER THINGS.
- 19 THERE ARE MORE THAN THESE DUCTS. THERE'S A LOT OF THINGS
- 20 IN THERE. THIS IS NOT ONLY AROUND THE PERIMETER WALKWAYS
- 21 BUT IN THIS INTERIOR WALKWAY.
- 22 THIS IS A TRACK UPGRADE. THE TRACK AREA WAS
- 23 USING THIS NATIVE SOIL. IT WAS COMPACTED, AND THE WAS
- 24 COLORS WERE ADDED. ALL THAT YOU SEE NOW BROWN IS ALREADY A
- 25 LAYER OF ASPHALT, AND ONCE IT'S BEEN CURED, THEY APPLY THE

- 1 NEXT LAYER. THIS IS -- THIS IS WHILE THEY WERE FORMING THE
- 2 COURT. AND THERE WAS A TRENCH FOR IRRIGATION. THAT BROWN
- 3 BAND YOU SEE. AND WE HAVE INCLUDED THE TOOL BOX FOR FUTURE
- 4 FIELD LIGHTING SO AT SOME TIME WE HOPE WE GET THAT.
- 5 INSTEAD OF RIPPING THE WHOLE THING, WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD
- 6 AND MAKING THAT A HEAD OF TIME.
- 7 THIS IS THE AREA FOR THE LONG JUMP TRACK EVENT,
- 8 AND NEXT HERE WE ALREADY POUR THE CONCRETE FOR THE SAME
- 9 AREA, AND WE ARE WAITING TO BE CURED TO APPLY THE FINAL
- 10 SURFACING.
- 11 THIS IS A CATCH BASIN FOR GETTING THE STORM
- 12 WATER, AND WE UPGRADE GRADING THE SURFACE, MAKING IT BETTER
- 13 FOR PLAY.
- 14 JOHN MUIR WE HAVE DEMOLITION GOING BACK STAGE
- 15 AREA. YOU SEE THIS IS STILL A LOT OF WORK TO BE DONE
- 16 THERE, AND ONE OF THE LARGEST PART OF THE WORK IS THE
- 17 OFFICE THEATER. HERE YOU WILL SEE SEVERAL PICTURES OF THE
- 18 SAME, BUT I THINK IT WAS INTERESTING SO YOU COULD HAVE AN
- 19 IDEA OF WHAT IS BEING DONE THERE. THESE HOLES ARE THE
- 20 FOUNDATION FOR THE NEW -- THE OFFICE THEATER IS BUILT IN
- 21 DIFFERENT LAYERS, DIFFERENT HEIGHTS. SO THESE ARE THE
- 22 SUPPORTING ELEMENTS FOR ALL THOSE SLABS THAT WILL BE
- 23 COVERED ON THOSE STEPS. AND HERE THEY ARE PREPARING --
- MR. CAYABYAB: JUST A LITTLE BACKGROUND. WE FOUND OUT
- 25 THAT THE DRAINAGE FOR THE AMPHITHEATER ON THE DESIGN GOES

- 1 UNDERNEATH THE BUILDING WHICH IS PRETTY STUPID. SO WE WENT
- 2 AHEAD AND REROUTED THAT TO A LARGER CATCH BASIN SO IT
- 3 DOESN'T THEN GO UNDERNEATH THE BUILDING. THOSE ARE THE
- 4 THINGS YOU FIND OUT AS YOU GO THROUGH CONSTRUCTION.
- 5 MR. PEREZ: THIS IS WHEN THEY WERE POURING. AND MANY
- 6 TIMES YOU SEE A RETAINING WALL, BUT YOU DON'T SEE ALL THE
- 7 WORK THAT IS BEHIND IT. THIS IS ALL THEY'VE DONE. LOOK AT
- 8 THAT SCAFFOLDING IN BROWN OVER THERE. LOOK AT THIS. ALL
- 9 OF THAT. AND AT THE END YOU WILL JUST SEE ONE VERTICAL
- 10 WALL. THEY TOOK SO MUCH AND IT COST SO MUCH. YES, IT TOOK
- 11 SO MUCH. AND THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE -- THEY NEED A LIFT FOR
- 12 THE FOOD SERVICES, AND THEY WEREN'T LAYING OUT THE LOCATION
- 13 OF THE NEW LIFT. THE SLAB FOR THE MECHANICAL ROOM.
- 14 WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL THAT'S THE WEST
- 15 FACADE. THAT'S A VIEW OF THE NORTHEAST. THIS PROJECT IS
- 16 GOING FINALLY AT A GOOD SPEED. HERE TO THE RIGHT IS THE
- 17 CLASSROOM BUILDING, AND THE FAR END IN THE CENTER IS THE
- 18 MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM WHICH IS COMPLETED. THEY WERE HAVING
- 19 ISSUES WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT PERMIT, BUT THAT'S BEING
- 20 WORKED ON.
- 21 MR. CAYABYAB: YOU WOULD THINK THAT THE CITY WOULD
- 22 HAVE ENOUGH AMPLE PRESSURE TO SUPPORT FIRE SPRINKLERS IN A
- 23 NEW BUILDING. THAT'S NOT THE CASE. SO WHAT THE CITY DID
- 24 IS THEY MADE US PAY FOR AN INCREASE DIAMETER IN PIPE SO
- 25 THEY CAN PROVIDE ENOUGH VOLUME AND PRESSURE TO SUPPORT THIS

- 1 NEW BUILDING, AND FROM THERE IT ALSO WILL SUPPORT THE
- 2 NEIGHBORHOOD WITH AN AMPLE ENOUGH FIRE PRESSURE TO PUT THE
- 3 FIRE OUT.
- 4 MR. HOCUTT: WHY DO WE HAVE TO PAY FOR A CITY PROBLEM?
- 5 MR. CAYABYAB: THAT'S THE STUPIDITY. WE DID THIS FOR
- 6 ROOSEVELT, NORMA COOMBS, AND WASHINGTON. IT'S SOMETHING
- 7 THAT I'M TRYING TO FIGHT WITH WITH THE PWD AND THE CITY
- 8 MANAGER TO SOLVE.
- 9 MR. VITALE: HYPERTESTING WASN'T DONE PRIOR TO THE
- 10 APPROVAL OF THE PERMITS PHASE?
- MR. CAYABYAB: IT WAS DURING THE PLANNING PART, AND IT
- 12 WASN'T ENOUGH SO WE WENT BACK TO THE CITY AND SAID WE NEED
- 13 SOME MORE. YOU NEED TO REDESIGN THIS THING. BY THE WAY,
- 14 YOU'LL NEED TO PAY US TO DO THE RESEARCH. SO IT WAS ABOUT
- 15 A TWO-YEAR PROCESS.
- 16 MR. PEREZ: OKAY. HERE WE HAVE THE COMMUNICATING
- 17 RAMPS AND STAIRWAYS. THAT'S A LOT OF CONCRETE THERE, AND
- 18 TO THE RIGHT YOU WILL SEE THE LANDSCAPING THAT'S ONGOING.
- 19 WHAT I AM SHOWING IS MOSTLY THINGS THAT ARE NEW
- 20 FROM THE PREVIOUS REPORTS THIS WASN'T COMPLETED. SAME WITH
- 21 THIS STAIRS. THIS IS THE SAME STAIRS GOING UP. BOTH OF
- 22 THEM. AND THIS IS TOP FLOOR WALKWAY.
- 23 PASADENA HIGH SCHOOL. THEY'RE WORKING IN THE
- 24 GIRLS LOCKER ROOM. THEY'RE DOING THE FRAMING. THIS IS
- 25 ANOTHER WALL. YOU GO THERE AND SEE WE HAVE WALLS, BUT ALL

- 1 OF THIS WORK HAS TO BE DONE. IT HAS TO BE DONE
- 2 SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH THE ELECTRICAL, MECHANICAL, AND
- 3 PLUMBING. EVERYTHING HAS TO GO -- THOSE ARE THINGS THAT
- 4 YOU DON'T SEE. THEY'RE THERE.
- 5 MR. CAYABYAB: ONE THING SIGNIFICANT LOOKING AT THE
- 6 ALUMINUM FRAMING, IT REPLACES THE OLD WOODEN FRAMING.
- 7 THAT'S THE CODE REQUIREMENT FROM THE NEW CODE THESE DAYS.
- 8 THAT IS WHAT INCREASED THE COST A LITTLE BIT ON THESE
- 9 PROJECTS.
- 10 MR. PEREZ: WE HAD TO INSTALL A NEW SEWER LINE THAT
- 11 WAS COMPLETED. THERE'S A NEW BATHROOM AT THE ENTRANCE OF
- 12 THE GYM.
- 13 MR. CATES: WE FOUND OUT THAT SEWER LINES WERE
- 14 CONNECTED DIRECTLY TO THE STORM DRAIN LINES WHICH IS A BIG
- 15 NO, NO. WE HAVE TO REROUTE AND ISOLATE ALL THOSE
- 16 CONNECTIONS FROM THE SEWER LINES TO THE STORM DRAIN LINES.
- 17 THE CITY IS OLD.
- 18 MR. PEREZ: AND WE HAVE FOUND VERTICAL CRACKS OR
- 19 QUASI-VERTICAL CRACKS, AND THESE HAVE TO BE REPAIRED, AND
- 20 AT THE MOMENT LOOK AT HOW MANY CRACKS HAVE BEEN DISCOVERED.
- 21 AND THESE HAVE TO BE REPAIRED, AND THEY ARE IN THE PROCESS
- 22 OF SOLVING THIS ISSUE. I THOUGHT IT WAS SOMETHING
- 23 IMPORTANT THAT YOU SHOULD BE AWARE OF.
- 24 THIS IS THE STEEL STRUCTURE THAT WE ARE BUILDING.
- 25 THIS IS STEEL. SO REMEMBER WHAT I INCLUDE IS WHAT IS NEW.

- 1 YOU HAVE TO LOOK AT THE PREVIOUS ONES.
- 2 MR. CATES: MIGUEL, WHAT IS THAT?
- 3 MR. PEREZ: THAT IS GOING TO BE A ROOF FOR A NEW
- 4 STRUCTURE FOR THE ENTRY WAY.
- 5 MR. CAYABYAB: IT'S LIKE AN AWNING ROOF. A HARD
- 6 AWNING FOR THE NEW ENTRY WAY.
- 7 MR. PEREZ: THAT'S IN THE BOYS -- THOSE UNITS ARE ONE
- 8 FOR THE BOYS AND ONE FOR THE GIRLS LOCKER ROOMS BOTH. THIS
- 9 IS THE BOYS LOCKER ROOM. IT'S ALMOST THE SAME WORK THAT
- 10 WAS DONE IN THE GIRLS, BUT THIS IS A LITTLE BIT BEHIND.
- 11 THE GIRLS IS A LITTLE BIT FARTHER AHEAD.
- 12 MR. CAYABYAB: WE'RE EMBARKING AT PASADENA THE
- 13 DISTRICT CENTER AND SIERRA MADRE TO PUT SOLAR PANELS IN
- 14 THERE. JUST THE MODERNIZATION ON THE CONSTRUCTION WOULD BE
- 15 MORE AS WE'RE PUTTING IN ENERGY EFFICIENT UNITS FROM
- 16 BOILERS TO CHILLERS TO ALL OF THAT. ONCE WE GET THAT
- 17 ESTABLISHED THEN WE LOOK AT THE SOLAR PANEL TO BE ABLE TO
- 18 PROVIDE ADDITIONAL POWER INTO THE GRID BECAUSE AT THAT TIME
- 19 TWO YEARS AGO THEY WANTED TO PUT SOLAR PANELS RIGHT AWAY,
- 20 AND I KIND OF PUT A STOP TO THAT BECAUSE IT DOESN'T MAKE
- 21 SENSE PROVIDING POWER TO A SYSTEM THAT IS WASTING A LOT OF
- 22 UTILITIES. WE ENDED UP DESIGNING ENERGY EFFICIENT THINGS
- 23 FIRST. ONCE THAT IS DONE THEN WE PUT THE SOLAR PANELS.
- 24 YOU'LL REALIZE MORE OF THE SAVINGS THAN THEY WOULD BE FROM
- 25 THE VERY BEGINNING.

- 1 MR. VITALE: WOULD THE SOLAR INSTALLATION BE SOMETHING
- 2 THE DISTRICT HAS TO PAY FOR OR IS IT A FREEBIE BEING DONE
- 3 BY AN OUTSIDE VENDOR?
- 4 MR. CAYABYAB: NO. INITIALLY IT WAS DONE UNDER THE EPA
- 5 CONTRACT, AND I PUT A HOLD ON IT BECAUSE IF WE WERE GOING
- 6 TO GET A NEW BOND, IT WOULD HAVE BEEN A LOT EASIER TO DO A
- 7 DIRECT PURCHASE AGREEMENT, BUILD THE THING, AND THEN WE
- 8 DON'T HAVE TO SHARE THE COST. RIGHT NOW WHAT WE'RE LOOKING
- 9 AT IS WE DON'T HAVE A CHOICE BECAUSE WE'RE NOT GOING TO GO
- 10 FOR THE NEW BOND. WE DON'T HAVE THE FUNDING UNDER MEASURE
- 11 TT TO BE ABLE TO PAY FOR IT, BUT THEY'RE SHOWING ME THE
- 12 PAPERS NOW. WE'RE STILL GOING TO BE A LITTLE BIT OF
- 13 SAVINGS WE GO TO THE EPA. I KIND OF WISH THAT WE WOULD
- 14 HAVE GOTTEN ON 2018 FOR THE NEW BOND BECAUSE RIGHT THEN,
- 15 BOOM, BUILD IT, AND WE WOULDN'T HAVE TO DO THIS.
- 16 MR. VITALE: ARE YOU AWARE THAT THE \$9 BILLION IN BOND
- 17 FUNDS THAT THE STATE PUT OUT THERE ARE ALMOST ALL GONE?
- 18 MR. CAYABYAB: YEAH.
- 19 MR. VITALE: BETWEEN REIMBURSEMENTS, BETWEEN PRIOR
- 20 REQUESTS THAT WERE WAITING IN LINE, THERE'S SOMEWHERE IN
- 21 THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF ONLY ABOUT \$2 BILLION OF THAT \$9
- 22 BILLION THAT WAS RECENTLY FUNDED IN THAT STATE BILL, AND
- 23 PEOPLE ARE STACKING UP LIKE CRAZY TO GET THE REMAINDER OF
- 24 IT, AND THEY'RE GOING TO FIND OUT THAT THAT BASICALLY
- 25 BARELY SCRATCH THE SURFACE BECAUSE OF PROJECTS BEING SET

- 1 BACK, NEW PROJECTS NOW COMING FORWARD. THEY'RE GOING TO
- 2 HAVE TO GO BACK AND GO FOR ANOTHER ONE.
- 3 MR. CAYABYAB: WE'RE OKAY. THIS WAS A CONTRACT THAT
- 4 WAS APPROVED ABOUT TWO YEARS AGO.
- 5 MR. VITALE: BUT IF IT'S A TWO-YEAR-OLD CONTRACT, IS
- 6 THERE GOING TO BE AN ESCALATION ON COSTS?
- 7 MR. CAYABYAB: OF COURSE.
- 8 MS. VANCE: A QUESTION ON THE TIMING AT PHS. IT SAYS
- 9 HERE THAT THE ESTIMATED COMPLETION GYM DATE IS APRIL 2018.
- 10 WE HAVE A WASC MID-YEAR VISIT THAT IS HAPPENING THE LAST
- 11 WEEKEND OF APRIL. DO YOU THINK WE COULD GET THE GYM READY
- 12 FOR THAT?
- MR. CAYABYAB: WE SHOULD BE ABLE.
- 14 MS. VANCE: IT WOULD BE GREAT IF WE COULD. WE WOULD
- 15 LOVE TO AT LEAST HAVE SOME TABLES IN THE NEW GYM.
- MR. CAYABYAB: YOU'LL MAKE SURE THEY DON'T SCRATCH THE
- 17 FLOOR.
- 18 MS. VANCE: I'LL MAKE SURE THEY DON'T SCRATCH
- 19 ANYTHING. IT WOULD BE NICE TO SHOW THEM ALL YOUR NICE
- 20 HANDY WORK.
- MR. PEREZ: NORMA COOMBS. THIS PART IS GOING REALLY
- 22 FAST, AND THEY HAVE ALREADY SET UP ALL THE LATHE AND THE
- 23 WATERPROOFING ON BOTH BUILDINGS, THE ADMIN WHICH IS THE ONE
- 24 TO THE LEFT, AND THE CLASSROOM IS THE ONE IN FRONT. LOOK
- 25 AT THE WATERPROOFING, THE DETAIL. THIS IS THE WORK BEING

- 1 DONE. THE NEW SEWER LINE.
- 2 MR. CAYABYAB: THIS IS THE PROJECT THAT GLENN WANTED
- 3 TO GET INVOLVED IN, BUT THE PROJECT IS ALMOST COMPLETED.
- 4 MR. CATES: BUT, OF COURSE, WE ASKED FOR THE
- 5 INFORMATION IN MAY OF 2017.
- 6 MR. CAYABYAB: AND THE CONTRACT FOR THE AIA WAS DONE
- 7 FIVE YEARS AGO. ANYWAY, THAT'S JUST A LITTLE TIDBIT.
- 8 MR. PEREZ: HERE YOU WILL SEE HOW IT'S GOING. THEY'RE
- 9 ALREADY INSTALLING THE INSULATION ON THE INSIDE AND LOOK AT
- 10 THIS. THEY HAVE ALREADY HAVE DUCTS AND MOST OF THE PIPING,
- 11 ELECTRICAL, AND HERE I DON'T KNOW IF YOU NOTICE IN THE
- 12 CENTER THERE'S AN AC UNIT, THAT RED AND BLUE RECTANGLE IN
- 13 THE CENTER. THEY ALREADY SET UP THERE. AND THIS IS
- 14 ANOTHER PROJECT THAT IS NEW. HERE YOU WILL SEE NEW LAMPS.
- 15 WITH THE OLD ONES IT WAS REALLY DARK. AND IN MARSHALL WE
- 16 HAD UPGRADES, INTERIOR UPGRADES WITH THE NEW LIGHTS. HOW
- 17 THE HALLWAYS LOOK. THESE ARE THE EXTERIOR ONES. THAT'S --
- 18 MR. CATES: THANK YOU.
- 19 MR. CAYABYAB: GRETCHEN, DID YOU NOTICE THE AIR
- 20 CONDITIONING NOW?
- MS. VANCE: I DID.
- 22 MS. WANG: WITH BLAIR'S NEW BEAUTY DO THEY HAVE NEW
- 23 WINDOWS? I REMEMBER FEELING WHEN I FIRST VISITED THAT
- 24 BUILDING IT WAS ALL DARK AND NO WINDOWS.
- MR. CAYABYAB: IT'S KIND OF TOUGH BECAUSE WE GUTTED

- 1 BLAIR HIGH SCHOOL, AND KEPT THE CALLS WHERE THEY ARE, SO
- 2 WE'RE KIND OF SUPPLEMENTING THAT NOT ONLY WITH THE LIGHTING
- 3 CONFIGURATION BUT THE HVAC.
- 4 MS. WANG: STILL HAS NO WINDOWS?
- 5 MR. CAYABYAB: THAT'S CORRECT.
- 6 MS. WANG: IF THERE'S A FIRE, DOES THAT POSE AN
- 7 ADDITIONAL RISK FOR THE STUDENTS IF THERE'S NO WAY OUT?
- 8 MR. CAYABYAB: YOU DON'T JUMP OUT THE WINDOWS. THERE
- 9 ARE ESCAPE ROUTES IN THE CLASS.
- 10 MS. WANG: OKAY.
- 11 MR. HOCUTT: THESE NEW CLASSROOMS WE'RE PUTTING IN ARE
- 12 THOSE DOORS ALL LOCKABLE FROM THE INSIDE?
- 13 MR. CAYABYAB: THE NEW ONES ARE NOW, YES.
- 14 MR. HOCUTT: THE OLD ONES ARE NOT?
- 15 MR. CAYABYAB: BUT WHAT I'M TRYING TO PUSH FOR THE NEW
- 16 DESIGN ARE USE OF THE PROXIMITY LOCK-TYPE SWITCHES SO THAT
- 17 YOU CAN JUST GO WITH YOUR SCHOOL TAG WITH A SCANNER ON IT.
- 18 THAT'S HOW YOU ACCESS THESE CLASSROOMS. NOW IF YOU
- 19 WANT -- IT GIVES YOU A LOGISTIC TRAIL OF WHO ENTERED, BUT
- 20 ALSO IF YOU MISUSE THAT PROGRAM, YOU'RE OUT. YOU CAN'T
- 21 ACCESS THOSE CLASSROOMS. THAT IS GOING TO BE INCORPORATED
- 22 IN THE NEW DESIGN.
- MR. CATES: FOLLOWING UP ON THAT, WILL THERE BE MANUAL
- 24 INSIDE LOCKS?
- MR. CAYABYAB: YES. THERE ALWAYS HAS TO BE WITH A

- 1 DEFAULT.
- 2 MS. VANCE: WHEN WILL WE GET AN ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT?
- 3 MR. CAYABYAB: ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT? THE BUDGET? WE
- 4 WERE SUPPOSED TO HAVE ONE PROVIDED.
- 5 MS. WANG: TODAY.
- 6 MR. CAYABYAB: WILL YOU EMAIL IT TO US TOMORROW?
- 7 YEAH. WE WILL DO IT TOMORROW. WE'LL EMAIL THAT TOMORROW.
- 8 MR. PEREZ: OKAY.
- 9 MR. CAYABYAB: WHAT WE'RE WORKING ON RIGHT NOW IS WHEN
- 10 THE PRIORITY LIST IS COMPLETED, THAT'S WHEN IT'S GOING TO
- 11 BE RECONCILED, AND YOU GET AN UNDATED MONTHLY KIND OF
- 12 THING.
- 13 MR. HOCUTT: ARE YOU SAYING WHEN THE BOARD APPROVES
- 14 THIS NEW SPEND OUT PLAN THAT WILL BECOME BASICALLY THE NEW
- 15 TWO BUDGETS?
- 16 MR. CAYABYAB: UH-HUH. ON THE MTT THAT I SENT YOU, IT
- 17 TELLS YOU WHAT'S AVAILABLE, WHAT'S BUDGETED FOR, AND EVERY
- 18 TIME IF WE DO EACH OF THE PRIORITIES, IT COUNTS DOWN WHAT
- 19 IS AVAILABLE. SO IT'S GOING TO GIVE YOU AN IDEA.
- MR. CATES: IT'S 8:00 P.M. LET'S TAKE A TEN-MINUTE
- 21 BREAK. HOPE TO WRAP THIS UP BY 8:30. WE'LL RESUME AT
- 22 8:10.
- MR. PEREZ: I SEE THAT WE DO NOT HAVE TOO MUCH ON THE
- 24 AGENDA. I PROPOSE WE CAN MOVE ON.
- MR. CATES: WELL, THANK YOU. BUT WE'RE GOING TO TAKE

- 1 A TEN-MINUTE BREAK.
- 2 (A RECESS WAS TAKEN.)
- 3 MR. CATES: NEXT ITEM, V, REPORT BY BOARD LIAISON TO
- 4 THE COMMITTEE. KIM IS NOT WITH US, BUT SHE SENT HER REPORT
- 5 IN WRITING WHICH QUINCY WILL DELIVER.
- 6 MR. HOCUTT: THEY'RE PRIORITIZING THE REMAINING MTT
- 7 FUNDS. THEY DID NOT COME TO THE FULL BOARD IN JANUARY FOR
- 8 DISCUSSION. THEY HAVE HAD SOME SHORT DISCUSSIONS AT THE
- 9 LAST TWO FACILITIES MEETING IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY WHICH
- 10 IS ONE REASON IT'S IMPORTANT TO HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE THERE
- 11 BECAUSE OUR REP WAS NOT THERE. THE MTT PRIORITY LIST WILL
- 12 COME BACK TO THE FULL BOARD FOR APPROVAL AT THE END OF
- 13 MARCH. ON MARCH 29TH WHICH IS WHAT NELSON POINTED OUT.
- 14 SOME PROJECT BUDGETS HAVE INCREASED SINCE DECEMBER SO THE
- 15 FUNDS MAY NOT GO AS FAR AS WE THOUGHT FOR THE IMMEDIATE
- 16 NEEDS AND SITE BEAUTIFICATION PROJECTS.
- 17 MS. VANCE: DID THEY CHANGE OURS? I'LL HAVE TO LOOK.
- 18 MR. HOCUTT: I'M KIM, AND I CAN SAY I DON'T KNOW.
- 19 MS. VANCE: IF YOU'RE KIM, ANSWER MY QUESTION. I
- 20 THINK THEY CUT OURS BECAUSE I JUST SAW IT WAS 1.9, AND I
- 21 THINK BEFORE IT WAS 3.
- MR. HOCUTT: MOST PROBABLY THEY HAVE CUT IT.
- THE SCHOOL BOUNDARY AND CONSOLIDATION COMMITTEE
- 24 HAD ONE MORE MEETING IN LATE JANUARY. THEIR DRAFT
- 25 RECOMMENDATION REPORT WAS ON THE AGENDA OF THE FEBRUARY

- 1 15TH FACILITIES MEETING WHICH AGAIN WE HAD NO ONE AT. THE
- 2 DISCUSSION WAS MAINLY WHETHER TO BRING TO THE BOARD ON
- 3 FEBRUARY 22ND, TOMORROW, OR TO POSTPONE TO A LESS BUSY
- 4 STUDY SCHEDULE ON A DATE IN MARCH. THE RECOMMENDATIONS
- 5 THEMSELVES WERE NOT DISCUSSED; JUST WHETHER WE SHOULD PLACE
- 6 COMMENT. IT WAS FELT THAT THE BOARD SHOULD HAVE SUFFICIENT
- 7 TIME TO DISCUSS THE OPTIONS AND NOT BE RUSHED. ALSO, IT
- 8 WAS BROUGHT UP THAT THE OPTIONS DID NOT ELABORATE ON HOW
- 9 THE OPTIONS WERE CHOSEN OR WHY THEY WERE CHOSEN.
- 10 THE LAST POINT. THE BOARD APPROVED A FISCAL
- 11 STABILIZATION PLAN ON FEBRUARY 8TH TO MEET THE REQUEST OF
- 12 THE COUNTY. THE SECOND INTERIM REPORT WITH AGREED UPON
- 13 CUTS MUST BE PRESENTED TO AND APPROVED BY THE BOARD ON
- 14 MARCH 19TH. THAT'S ALL SHE HAD.
- 15 THAT PLAN THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT IS THE ONE THAT
- 16 ELIMINATES 63 TEACHERS FROM THE PASADENA UNIFIED SCHOOL
- 17 DISTRICT.
- 18 MS. AWL: IF I CAN SHARE. RUTHANN AWL FROM WILLARD.
- 19 I HAVE GONE TO ALL THESE MEETINGS. THEY'VE BEEN EXHAUSTING
- 20 AND VERY DIFFICULT. THE 63 TEACHERS IS RIGHT SIZING
- 21 ACCORDING TO THE CURRENT OR PROJECTED ENROLLMENT. IN
- 22 ADDITION TO THOSE OR INSTEAD OF MAYBE THOSE 63 TEACHERS,
- 23 THE DISTRICT IS NOW IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH PARS. I DON'T
- 24 KNOW WHAT THE ACRONYM MEANS, BUT IT'S ESSENTIALLY AN EARLY
- 25 RETIREMENT WITH PERHAPS 75 TO 80 PERCENT OF THE ANNUAL

- 1 SALARY PLUS SOME BENEFITS, NOT ALL. THAT WOULD BE AN
- 2 INCENTIVE FOR SOME OF OUR OLDER TEACHERS. I THINK YOU HAVE
- 3 TO BE 55 AND 5 YEARS MINIMUM, SO IT WOULD BE SOME OF THE
- 4 OLDER TEACHERS WHO MAY BE GETTING HIGHER PAY AND HAVE BEEN
- 5 IN THE DISTRICT LONGER.
- 6 SO WHENEVER THAT IS BEING NEGOTIATED, IT WAS
- 7 THROWN AT THE 25TH BOARD MEETING. IT'S NOW IN NEGOTIATIONS
- 8 WITH UTP BECAUSE IT WAS PROJECTED AT 75 PERCENT, AND THE
- 9 TEACHERS UNION SAID NO, THEY ARE NOT GOING TO GO FOR THAT.
- 10 SO THEY ARE NOW TRYING TO COME TO AN EQUALIBRIUM. IF THAT
- 11 GOES, THEN I THINK THAT DISTRICT HOPES TO GET 40 TEACHERS
- 12 THAT WOULD SIGN UP FOR THAT, AND IF THEY DID -- OR MORE
- 13 SIGN UP FOR THAT -- THEN THAT NUMBER WOULD COME OFF THE 63.
- 14 SO IT WOULD BE PEOPLE WHO WOULD GO OUT. OF COURSE THAT
- 15 WILL COST THEM SOME MONEY. IT'S NOT A FREE EXPERIENCE. SO
- 16 I THINK THAT IS SUPPOSED TO -- IT WON'T BE AT TOMORROW'S
- 17 MEETING SO IT MUST WITH AT THE 29TH MEETING IN MARCH, AND
- 18 THEN WE'LL HAVE TO DECIDE.
- THE DISTRICT DOES HAVE THE OPTION TO RESCIND THE
- 20 PARS PROPOSAL IF THEY DON'T GET ENOUGH. SO THAT'S WHAT'S
- 21 THE DEAL. AND JUST THIS LAST WEEK ON THE 13TH, 53
- 22 CLASSIFIEDS, WHICH IS MY CATEGORY OF UNION PEOPLE,
- 23 INSTRUCTIONAL AIDES WERE PINK SLIPPED, AND 12 OF THEM HAVE
- 24 BEEN BROUGHT BACK ANTICIPATING TO BE IN A POOL OF SPECIAL
- 25 ED INSTRUCTIONAL AIDES THAT WILL BE THERE FOR ABSENCES, BUT

- 1 THE 53 WERE RELEASED.
- 2 MR. HOCUTT: HAVE YOU SEEN ANY FURLOUGHING OF
- 3 ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL?
- 4 MS. AWL: A LOT OF THAT WAS ALREADY DONE AT THE
- 5 BEGINNING OF THE YEAR: OCTOBER, NOVEMBER. FOR EXAMPLE,
- 6 WHEN SEAN BIRD, WHO WAS OUR ACADEMIC DIRECTOR, LEFT RIGHT
- 7 BEFORE SCHOOL STARTED, HIS POSITION HAS NOT BEEN REFILLED,
- 8 AND DR. MCDONALD AND ANOTHER ASSOCIATE WHO HAS SOME KIND OF
- 9 MIDLINE, YOU KNOW, POSITION HAS TAKEN OVER THAT SPACE TO MY
- 10 KNOWLEDGE. I DON'T THINK THE MONEY HAS BEEN REAPPLIED.
- 11 YES, IN ANSWER TO YOUR QUESTION I CAN'T TELL YOU
- 12 SPECIFICALLY. I'M SURE IT'S ON A REPORT SOMEPLACE, BUT
- 13 THEY ARE LOOKING AT ALL KINDS OF THINGS. AND THE
- 14 ANTICIPATION WAS NOT TO TOUCH THE CLASSROOM, BUT OF COURSE
- 15 WHEN YOU'RE RUNNING IN THE DEFICITS, THAT WE'RE DOING.
- 16 IT'S HARD NOT TO TOUCH THE CLASSROOM, AND CERTAINLY
- 17 INSTRUCTIONAL AIDES IS RIGHT IN THE CLASSROOM.
- 18 SO THE NEXT -- IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING TEAMSTERS
- 19 HAVE AUTHORIZED WITHIN THEIR JOB -- LIKE CLASSIFIED DID 53.
- 20 TOOK IT ACROSS THE TOP. SAID WE WANT TO BE PARTNERS. THIS
- 21 IS WHAT WE'LL DO. SPECIAL ED DID THE NUMBERS COUNTS AND
- 22 RIGHT SIZED INSTRUCTIONAL AIDES. TEAMSTERS HAS TAKEN WORK
- 23 11 FURLOUGH DAYS BECAUSE AS TEAMSTERS AND M AND O, THEY
- 24 REALIZE THAT YOU CAN'T RUN A SCHOOL WITHOUT BODIES CLEANING
- 25 THE SCHOOLS OR DOING THE REPAIRS AT THE SCHOOLS. SO THEY

- 1 HAVE TAKEN 11 FURLOUGH DAYS, AND IT'S AT THEIR DISCRETION.
- 2 I HAVE NOT HEARD THE LATEST SINCE PROBABLY
- 3 DECEMBER'S MEETING, DECEMBER'S BOARD MEETING, WHAT THE
- 4 ADMINISTRATION UNION IS DOING. BUT I DO KNOW WE JUST LOST
- 5 THE CFO. I JUST FOUND THIS OUT LAST NIGHT.
- 6 MR. HOCUTT: WE JUST LOST WHO?
- 7 MS. VANCE: THE CFO.
- 8 MR. HOCUTT: YOU MEAN BERNADETTE GRIGGS?
- 9 MS. VANCE: YES.
- 10 MR. HOCUTT: SO WHO IS RUNNING THE FINANCIAL
- 11 OPERATIONS?
- 12 MS. AWL: ACCORDING TO THE BOARD REPORT AGENDA FOR
- 13 TOMORROW, THEY WILL BE -- THE BOARD WILL BE AUTHORIZING A
- 14 CONSULTANT TO COME IN.
- 15 MS. VANCE: IN THE MIDDLE OF A GIANT MESS.
- 16 MR. HOCUTT: DID SHE RESIGN OR WAS SHE --
- 17 MS. AWL: I WAS ATTENDING A MEETING AND WAS TOLD JUST
- 18 THAT CHAIR OF THE MEETING THAT I WAS AT LAST NIGHT
- 19 ANNOUNCED THAT SHE HAD JUST RECEIVED NOTIFICATION THAT THE
- 20 CFO WAS NO LONGER HERE.
- 21 MR. CATES: ARE YOU ALL FAMILIAR WITH THE DIRE
- 22 FINANCIAL STRAITS IN WHICH THE DISTRICT FINDS ITSELF?
- MS. VANCE: YOU MEAN PERSONALLY?
- MR. CATES: NO. DO YOU ALL KNOW, NOT PERSONALLY.
- MS. VANCE: YES.

- 1 MR. CATES: BASICALLY SOME MONTHS AGO THE DISTRICT AS
- 2 REOUIRED BY LAW FILED A SO-CALLED NEGATIVE DECLARATION WITH
- 3 THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION THAT SAYS IN EFFECT
- 4 WE'RE GOING TO RUN A BIG DEFICIT, AND WE CAN'T MAINTAIN THE
- 5 RESERVES WE'RE REQUIRED TO BY LAW.
- 6 MS. AWL: EXCUSE ME. THAT WAS THE JANUARY 25TH BOARD
- 7 MEETING, AND IT'S ALL ON THE BOARD.
- 8 MR. CATES: I ENCOURAGE YOU LOOK AT IT. NOT THAT IT
- 9 HAS ANYTHING TO DO WITH TT, BUT IT'S PROBABLY THE PRINCIPAL
- 10 CONCERN OF THE DISTRICT.
- 11 MS. WANG: BUT IF THERE IS NO SCHOOL, IF THERE'S NO
- 12 TEACHER, NO ENROLLMENT, WHY DO WE NEED TO REDO THE
- 13 CLASSROOMS?
- 14 MR. HOCUTT: THERE ARE LESS TEACHERS.
- 15 MS. WANG: LESS TEACHERS BECAUSE PROJECTED LESS
- 16 ENROLLMENT OF STUDENTS. SO ALTOGETHER IT'S LESS, WHY DO
- 17 WE, THE TAXPAYER MONEY SPENDING ON EMPTY BUILDING?
- 18 MR. VITALE: BECAUSE YOU HAVE OLD FACILITIES, OUTDATED
- 19 FACILITIES, AND NOTHING TO OFFER COMPETITION AGAINST THE
- 20 CHARTER SCHOOLS WHO ARE CUTTING THE ANKLES OUT FROM
- 21 UNDERNEATH THE DISTRICT WITH MORE SCHOOL SITES BEING GIVEN
- 22 TO THEM BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.
- MS. WANG: BUT THERE'S NO GUARANTEE. IF THE TEACHER
- 24 QUALITY ISN'T THERE, WHY IS THE PARENTS HAS ANY INTENTION
- 25 TO SAY I LIKE THIS CLASSROOM, LET'S GO THERE.

- 1 MR. VITALE: THE WHOLE CULTURE OF THE DISTRICT HAS TO
- 2 CHANGE. THEY HAVE TO ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY FOR MISTAKES OF
- 3 THE PAST, AND THEY HAVE TO DO IT RAPIDLY AND QUICKLY AND
- 4 WITH YOUNGER PEOPLE COMING INTO THE CLASSROOM AS FAR AS
- 5 TEACHERS. THERE ARE HUNDREDS OF YOUNG DYNAMIC TEACHERS OUT
- 6 THERE THAT CAN COMMUNICATE WITH THE KIDS, WORK WITH THE
- 7 KIDS, REACH THE KIDS, BRING NEW PROGRAMS INTO THE SCHOOLS
- 8 AND EVERYTHING, AND CHANGE THE DYNAMIC. IT'S
- 9 GENTRIFICATION. BUT THE TRAGEDY IS IT WAS FORESEEABLE
- 10 GENTRIFICATION. IT'S SOMETHING THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN
- 11 PLANNED FOR 10 OR 15 YEARS AGO. LOOK AT HOW MANY TIMES THE
- 12 SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS HAS CHANGED IN THAT PERIOD.
- 13 EVERY TIME IT CHANGES, IT'S A DIFFERENT DIRECTION, AND
- 14 THERE'S A LOT OF POLITICS INVOLVED THERE TOO.
- 15 MS. AWL: IT'S NOT JUST THE SCHOOL DISTRICT. OUR CITY
- 16 IS HAVING DIRE ISSUES AS WELL. BUT I DO WANT TO SAY I'VE
- 17 BEEN IN THIS DISTRICT, IT'S A PART OF MY HEART FOR 20
- 18 YEARS. I HAVE SEEN IT AS BAD AS, BUT I HAVE TO TELL YOU
- 19 I'VE NOT EVER HAD THE CONFIDENCE IN THE PERSONALITIES WHO
- 20 ARE IN CHARGE. IT'S BEYOND MY PAY SCALE OF WHAT IS GOING
- 21 ON. I'M NOT IN CHARGE, BUT I HAVE A LOT OF RESPECT. I
- 22 HAVE A LOT OF CONFIDENCE IN DR. MCDONALD, AND THE ILT WHO
- 23 HE HAS SITTING WITH HIM DAILY.
- I CAN'T TELL YOU HOW HAPPY I AM TO HAVE THE
- 25 SPECIAL EDUCATION DIRECTOR BACK, THE HR DIRECTOR BACK.

- 1 THEY ARE PERSONALITIES WHO HAVE BEEN IN THE DISTRICT BEFORE
- 2 AND CAME BACK. SO THERE'S A LOT OF GOOD HEARTS. WE HAVE
- 3 PEF. WE HAVE PEN WHO ARE PARENTS, AS JEN ALLUDED TO, WHO
- 4 ARE GOING SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND SAYING PUBLIC SCHOOL IS THE
- 5 ANSWER. THIS IS WHAT WE HAVE. WE HAVE GOOD SIGNATURE
- 6 PROGRAMS. WHAT IS HAPPENED IS WE'VE HAD GRANTS. WE WANT
- 7 TO SUPPORT THE SIGNATURE PROGRAMS. THE GRANTS RAN OUT.
- 8 WE'VE TRIED TO FUND IT WITH MONEY THAT'S NOT EXISTENT.
- 9 WHAT HAPPENED THIS LAST YEAR WAS THE FACT THAT
- 10 BERNADETTE GRIGGS -- SHE CLAIM FROM LACO, AND THE LAST TWO
- 11 YEARS SHE HAS SAID THAT CHANGES NEED TO BE MADE, AND NOBODY
- 12 WANTED TO MAKE THE CHANGES. SO NOW IN JANUARY WHEN SHE
- 13 GAVE THIS DIRE REPORT, IT WAS LIKE WHOA. THE HEADLIGHTS
- 14 ARE RIGHT HERE. YOU GOT TO MAKE DECISIONS. WE'RE CUTTING
- 15 OFF BODY PARTS. IT'S NOT EASY DECISIONS THAT ANYONE HAS TO
- 16 MAKE, BUT WE ALL HAVE TO BE A PART OF THE WORKING
- 17 ORGANIZATION, AND IN ORDER TO BE A PART OF IT, WE HAVE TWO
- 18 CHOICES: TO BE A PART OF THE SOLUTION OR TO BE A PART OF
- 19 THE PROBLEM. EACH PERSON HAS THAT.
- 20 MR. CATES: WHILE WE ARE ON THAT SUBJECT, A QUESTION
- 21 FOR YOU, AND AGAIN THIS DOESN'T HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH
- 22 TT. BUT IF YOU'RE A BUSINESS AND YOUR EXPENSES EXCEED YOUR
- 23 REVENUES AND THEY DO SO YEAR AFTER YEAR, YOU'VE EITHER GOT
- 24 TO INCREASE REVENUES OR DECREASE EXPENSES. THAT HASN'T
- 25 BEEN DONE. THIS PROBLEM HAS BEEN FORESEEABLE FOR YEARS AND

- 1 YEARS AND YEARS. NO ONE HAS HAD THE NERVE TO DO IT. OKAY.
- 2 WHAT CAN BE DONE AT THIS POINT? AND, BY THE WAY, IF THE
- 3 PROBLEM ISN'T SOLVED TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE LOS ANGELES
- 4 COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, IT WILL TAKE OVER THE
- 5 SCHOOL SYSTEM, FIRE THE BOARD, FIRE WHOEVER IT WANTS JUST
- 6 AS HAPPENED IN DETROIT. I'M NOT SURE THAT WOULD BE A GOOD
- 7 THING, BUT THAT'S WHAT WILL HAPPEN.
- 8 MS. AWL: IS IT THE CITY OF COMPTON? COMPTON HAD THAT
- 9 HAPPEN LAST YEAR. BUT THE SUPERINTENDENT WOULD BE FIRED,
- 10 AND THE BOARD WOULD BE ADVISORY ONLY. LACO WOULD COME IN
- 11 AND TAKE OVER.
- MS. VANCE: SO WHAT'S ON THE LIST OF THINGS THEY HAVE
- 13 TO DO?
- 14 MR. CATES: THAT'S WHAT I WAS GOING TO ASK. OKAY.
- 15 THE SCHOOL DISTRICT DOESN'T HAVE THE ABILITY TO INCREASE
- 16 ITS REVENUES BY ANY SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT. YOU CAN RENT OUT
- 17 THE SCHOOL BUILDINGS FOR MORE ACTIVITIES. THAT'S A DROP IN
- 18 THE BUCKET. THE EXPENSES CONTINUE TO GO UP. THEY CUT
- 19 STAFF. THE SINGLE MOST IMPORTANT EXPENSE. THAT'S NOT
- 20 ENOUGH. LOOK AT WHERE WE'RE AT NOW? THIS IS SOME OF THE
- 21 MOST VALUABLE REAL ESTATE IN PASADENA. THIS IS JUST A
- 22 QUESTION FROM SOMEONE WHO DOESN'T KNOW. IF YOU CAN'T RAISE
- 23 CURRENT INCOME, YOU CAN SELL ASSETS, RAISE MONEY, AND USE
- 24 IT TO COVER THE SHORT FALL.
- 25 MR. VITALE: AND NEVER RECOVER THOSE ASSETS

- 1 UNFORTUNATELY.
- 2 MR. CATES: WHAT IF THE DISTRICT WORKED TO SELL THIS
- 3 FACILITY HERE? IT WOULD COMMAND A PREMIUM PRICE. MOVE
- 4 INTO VACANT SPACE IN ANY ONE OF MANY OF THE SCHOOLS, AND
- 5 USE THAT AT LEAST TO COVER THE SHORT FALL FOR A COUPLE
- 6 YEARS.
- 7 MS. AWL: IT'S BEEN A DIALOGUE FOR MANY YEARS.
- 8 MS. VANCE: THEY COULD LEASE THE PROPERTY. THEY COULD
- 9 DO A LONG-TERM LEASE ON THE PROPERTY ITSELF.
- 10 MR. CATES: SAME THING. CONVERT THIS REAL ESTATE INTO
- 11 INCOME.
- 12 MR. VITALE: THE FACILITIES YARD THEY TALKED ABOUT
- 13 DOING THAT 10, 15 YEARS AGO. LOOK AT THE SIZE OF THAT
- 14 YARD, THE AMOUNT OF THE PROPERTY THEY'VE GOT THERE.
- 15 MS. VANCE: KIM KNOWS THE NUMBERS. SHE'S BEEN WARNING
- 16 ALL OF THEM FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS.
- 17 MR. HOCUTT: I HAVE TO ASK A QUESTION. RUTHANN, YOU
- 18 SAID SOMETHING THAT PUZZLED ME. YOU SAID THAT YOU HAVE A
- 19 LOT OF CONFIDENCE IN THE CURRENT ADMINISTRATION, IF YOU
- 20 WILL, AND HAVE HAD FOR THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS. BUT YET
- 21 THEY HIRED A SUPPOSEDLY COMPETENT FINANCIAL OFFICER OUT OF
- 22 THE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION WHO THEY DID NOT LISTEN TO
- 23 FOR TWO YEARS. CAN YOU RECONCILE THAT DICHOTOMY FOR ME?
- 24 MS. AWL: LIKE I SAID, QUINCY, IT'S ABOVE MY PAY
- 25 SCALE. I SIT IN A LOT OF MEETINGS. I HAVE CONFIDENCE IN

- 1 THE NUMBERS AND FIGURES THAT THEY GIVE ME. I HAVE
- 2 CONFIDENCE IN DR. MCDONALD. HE'S A PARENT IN THIS
- 3 DISTRICT. HE'S HIGHLY QUALIFIED IN MY ESTIMATION. THE
- 4 BOARD AUTHORIZED, YOU KNOW, HIM TO BUY A HOUSE AND TO STAY
- 5 IN THIS COMMUNITY SO THAT HE COULD CONTINUE, AND HE'S A
- 6 PART OF THE HEART OF THIS DISTRICT RIGHT NOW. BUT, YOU
- 7 KNOW, I'M NOT A PART OF THE ILT SO I CAN'T MAKE THOSE -- I
- 8 CAN'T ANSWER THE QUESTIONS. MY FEELING IS WE'RE DEALING
- 9 WITH VERY DIFFICULT DECISIONS AND HIGHLY QUALIFIED PEOPLE
- 10 MAKING WHAT I FEEL MUST BE THE BEST DECISION THEY CAN MAKE.
- 11 IT WOULDN'T BE THE DECISION I WOULD MAKE, BUT I DON'T HAVE
- 12 ALL THE INFORMATION THEY HAVE.
- 13 MR. HOCUTT: IF I MAY PARAPHRASE GRETCHEN ONE LAST
- 14 TIME. I THINK SHE'S ALWAYS SAID THE DISTRICT HAS NO MASTER
- 15 PLAN.
- 16 MS. AWL: EXACTLY.
- 17 MR. HOCUTT: SO IF I DON'T HAVE A MASTER PLAN AND
- 18 YOU'RE NOT LISTENING TO YOUR FINANCIAL EXPERTS, DIDN'T YOU
- 19 SEE THIS TRAIN COMING? AND I'LL MAKE THE COROLLARY. THE
- 20 SAME THING IS HAPPENING IN TT IN MY OPINION. WE HAVE A
- 21 BOARD HERE THAT COSTS THE DISTRICT NOTHING. IT IS
- 22 COMPRISED OF EXPERTS IN ALL KINDS OF DISCIPLINES --
- 23 ACCOUNTING, FINANCE, LAW, PURCHASING, ARCHITECTURE -- AND
- 24 YET ALMOST EVERYTHING WE QUESTION JUST DOESN'T GET LISTENED
- 25 TO. DO YOU SEE THE COROLLARY I'M TRYING TO MAKE?

- 1 MS. AWL: I TOTALLY UNDERSTAND. THEY'RE MY EMPLOYER.
- 2 SO THERE ARE PEOPLE ALWAYS THAT YOU'RE GOING TO MEET AND
- 3 YOU'LL LIKE OR YOU DON'T LIKE, BUT I CAN'T --
- 4 MR. CATES: WELL, WE DIGRESS, BUT LET ME ADD THIS LAST
- 5 COMMENT. THE SITUATION WE SEE HERE IN PASADENA IS BEING
- 6 REPLICATED ON A MUCH LARGER SCALE AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL.
- 7 I'M SURE THAT YOU'RE ALL PAYING ATTENTION TO THE NEWS. THE
- 8 OUTSTANDING FEDERAL DEBT NOW EXCEEDS \$20 TRILLION. WE'RE
- 9 ABOUT TO INCREASE THAT THIS COMING FISCAL YEAR BY ROUGHLY
- 10 800 BILLION AND A MORE THAN A TRILLION NEXT YEAR. NOW, THE
- 11 UNITED STATES IS EXTREMELY WEALTHY, AND EVERYBODY IS
- 12 WILLING TO LEND TO IT FOR NOW, AND THEY WILL CONTINUE TO
- 13 LEND TO IT UNTIL THEY WON'T. WHAT'S BEING DONE ABOUT IT?
- 14 YOU TELL ME. BUT EVERYBODY IN WASHINGTON KNOWS THIS, AND
- 15 THEY'RE NOT DOING IT BECAUSE THE VOTERS DON'T WANT THEM TO.
- 16 THEY WANT THEM TO IN THE ABSTRACT, BUT THEY DON'T WANT TO
- 17 GIVE UP ANY OF THEIR BENEFITS NOR DO THEY WANT TO SEE TAXES
- 18 RAISED. YOU HAVE YOUR CHOICE. THE UNITED STATES WILL LAST
- 19 LONGER FINANCIALLY THAN I WILL LIVE, BUT I WOULDN'T BET ON
- 20 IT 80 YEARS HENCE. ENOUGH SURMISING.
- 21 REPORT BY THE PUBLIC OUTREACH COMMITTEE. THERE'S
- 22 NO REPORT BECAUSE THERE NO DIANA.
- MR. ORDONEZ: I'M STILL ATTENDING LONGFELLOW, AND THEY
- 24 DON'T SEE ANY CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY GOING ON. IF YOU CAN
- JUST SEE THE PROPERTY THERE, THE PLAYGROUND, IT'S A MESS.

- 1 I CAN SEE NATURAL STONES ALL OVER THE PLACE, AND ANY KID
- 2 CAN TRIP ON IT. GO DOWN THE STAIRS TO THE OFFICE AND THE
- 3 PARKING LOT, IT'S NOT SWEPT. YOU MIGHT SLIP. LEAVES ALL
- 4 OVER THE PLACE BECAUSE -- I DON'T KNOW. WHY DON'T THEY
- 5 MAINTAIN A SCHOOL, LIKE SIMPLE GROUND MAINTENANCE? IF
- 6 THERE'S NO IMPROVEMENT, THEY DON'T SEE ANYTHING. THERE'S
- 7 NO ACTIVITY OR MOVEMENT OF MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT. I
- 8 STILL ATTEND IT, BUT I'M TRYING TO FEEL OUT WHAT THEIR
- 9 COMMENTS WILL BE, BUT THEY'RE MOST ATTENTIVE ON THEIR
- 10 CURRICULUM WHICH I REALLY HAVE HIGH REGARDS ON THEM BECAUSE
- 11 THEY'RE CONCENTRATING ON THEIR CURRICULUM. THEY NEVER
- 12 MENTION WHAT THEIR EXPECTATIONS ARE. THEY ARE REALLY VERY,
- 13 VERY CONCERNED AND VERY, VERY DEDICATED ON WHAT PROGRAMS
- 14 THEY CAN DO FOR THE KIDS. BUT WHEN I SEE THE GROUNDS, ALL
- 15 THIS NATURAL STONES ALL OVER, SCATTERED ALL OVER THE PLACE.
- 16 BESIDE THE PLAYGROUND, ANY KID CAN TRIP IN THERE, AND MESS
- 17 UP THEIR FACES. NOT EVEN THE STAIRS. IT'S ALL CHIPPED.
- 18 THE CONCRETE ARE ALL CHIPPED UP. MAYBE THEY ALREADY AWARE
- 19 OF IT SO NOBODY IS GETTING ANY ACCIDENT. THEY KNOW
- 20 ALREADY.
- MS. VANCE: IS IT ON THE LIST? IS LONGFELLOW ON THE
- 22 LIST?
- MR. ORDONEZ: YES, IT IS.
- MS. AWL: WHAT NUMBER IS IT?
- 25 MR. ORDONEZ: IT'S NOT --

- 1 MS. VANCE: IT'S NOT ON THE LIST AT ALL?
- 2 MR. PEREZ: I DON'T HAVE IT ON TOP OF MY HEAD. YOU
- 3 HAVE TO LOOK ON THE PRIORITY LIST THAT WAS SENT TO YOU. IF
- 4 YOU GIVE ME A MINUTE, I COULD LOOK IT UP FOR YOU.
- 5 MR. HOCUTT: WOULD YOU JUST CHECK.
- 6 MR. CATES: WHILE YOU'RE DOING THAT --
- 7 MR. PEREZ: LET ME MAKE A COMMENT. YOU HAVE TO BE
- 8 AWARE THAT OUR INFRASTRUCTURE IS 60-YEARS-OLD AVERAGE.
- 9 THAT'S WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU DON'T INVEST IN MAINTENANCE.
- 10 I HEARD THAT THE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION BUDGET IS ALMOST
- 11 ZERO.
- 12 MR. BOLAND: HAVE WE TALKED ABOUT ANYTHING THAT HAS
- 13 ANYTHING TO DO WITH TT FOR THE LAST 20 MINUTES? SERIOUSLY.
- 14 MS. VANCE: LONGFELLOW IS PRIORITY NO. 10, BUT IT
- 15 LOOKS LIKE IT'S HVAC. YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT LONGFELLOW;
- 16 RIGHT?
- 17 MR. ORDONEZ: YOU KNOW, MEMBERS OF THIS GROUP BEING
- 18 ASSIGNED TO THE SCHOOL FOR WHAT?
- 19 MR. CATES: SO IN ANSWER TO YOUR QUESTION, FRANCIS,
- 20 WE'RE NOW AGAIN TALKING ABOUT TT MATTERS.
- THANK YOU, WILLIE, AND I'M SORRY. I DON'T KNOW
- 22 WHAT TO SAY.
- MR. VITALE: YOU SAID IT ALREADY WHEN YOU SAID THAT
- 24 IT'S THE FAILURE TO HAVE A MASTER PLAN. ONE OF THE PRIMARY
- 25 THINGS IN A MASTER PLAN FOR A SCHOOL DISTRICT IS RISK

- 1 MANAGEMENT. HOW MUCH CONCERN IS THERE FOR THE POTENTIAL
- 2 FOR LAWSUITS OCCURRING OR PAYING MEDICAL EXPENSES FOR
- 3 STUDENTS THAT GET INJURED ON A CAMPUS BECAUSE IT'S BEING
- 4 POORLY MAINTAINED IN A MANNER THAT IS GOING TO EXPOSE THEM
- 5 TO INJURY WHICH IS GOING TO BE REFLECTED IN SOMEBODY DOING
- 6 AN AUDIT AND SHOWING THAT THE DISTRICT HAS HAD DECLINING
- 7 REVENUES FOR M AND O, AND AS A RESULT, THE STUFF HAS BEEN
- 8 PUT ASIDE AND NOW BANKRUPTCY IS IN THE OFFING WHEN SOMEBODY
- 9 REALLY SERIOUSLY GETS HURT ON ONE OF THE WEEKENDS.
- 10 MR. CATES: YOU'RE RIGHT. LET ME QUOTE TO YOU FROM
- 11 BALLOT MEASURE TT. IT PROMISES ON PAGE 1 TRANSPARENCY AND
- 12 ACCOUNTABILITY INCLUDING A LONG TERM FACILITIES MASTER PLAN
- 13 UPDATED QUARTERLY AND ANNUALLY. I DON'T MIND MISSING THE
- 14 OUARTERLY UPDATES. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE FIVE MOST
- 15 RECENT ANNUAL UPDATES. THAT'S NOT THE FULL OF THE
- 16 FACILITIES DEPARTMENT.
- 17 MR. VANCE: WILLIE, DID YOU HAVE MORE TO SAY?
- MR. CATES: I KNOW HE DOES ON THE SUBJECT I'M ABOUT TO
- 19 GET TO. REPORT BY COC LIAISON TO THE FACILITIES COMMITTEE.
- 20 STEVE HAS RESIGNED. I DON'T KNOW. WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME
- 21 HE ATTENDED AND REPORTED? IT'S BEEN A WHILE.
- MR. HOCUTT: I THINK IT'S ABOUT THREE-TO-FOUR MONTHS.
- MS. VANCE: WE GOT AN UPDATE FROM KIM.
- 24 MR. CATES: BUT NOT FROM OUR LIAISON WHICH IS
- 25 IMPORTANT. IT'S ONE OF THE PRINCIPAL WAYS THAT WE

- 1 CAN COMMUNICATE.
- 2 MR. BOLAND: I TALKED TO NELSON ON THE WAY OUT. IT'S
- 3 GOING TO GET SQUARED AWAY. IT'S NOT GOING TO BE AN ONGOING
- 4 ISSUE.
- 5 MR. CATES: MAKE SURE THAT YOU COORDINATE WITH THE
- 6 CHATR.
- 7 MS. AWL: I CAN ADD I WAS AT THE FACILITIES MEETING,
- 8 AND STEVE HAD -- I HAD GOTTEN A LETTER FROM HIS WIFE WHO IS
- 9 THE DAC CHAIR, AND SHE HAD SAID THAT HE WAS UNABLE TO
- 10 ATTEND THE MEETING BECAUSE SOME PROJECT HE WAS WORKING ON,
- 11 YOU KNOW, BLEW UP.
- MR. CATES: ITEM VIII. TIME TO SAY GOOD BY.
- 13 THIS IS MY LAST MEETING AS A MEMBER OF THE
- 14 CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, AND IT'S A PRIVILEGE TO HAVE
- 15 SERVED ON A COMMITTEE THAT I THINK PERFORMS AN IMPORTANT
- 16 FUNCTION WHICH IS TO ENSURE THAT THE PUBLIC GETS WHAT IT
- 17 WAS TOLD IT WOULD GET WHEN IT VOLUNTEERED TO TAX ITSELF. I
- 18 APPRECIATE ALL YOUR SUPPORT AND YOUR CRITICISM.
- 19 BEFORE GRETCHEN BECAME CHAIR, THE CITIZENS
- 20 OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE WAS NOTHING BUT A COFFEE CLASH. WE GOT
- 21 TOGETHER EVERY MONTH OR TWO TO CHAT ABOUT THE PROGRESS OF
- 22 SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION. NO REAL OVERSIGHT. WHEN GRETCHEN
- 23 BECAME CHAIR, THINGS CHANGED, AND LET ME REMIND YOU WHAT'S
- 24 HAPPENED IN THE PAST TWO YEARS. WE HAVE UPDATED THE
- 25 BYLAWS, ADOPTED STANDARDS FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF

- 1 PROPOSITION TT FUNDS, ESTABLISHED A WEBSITE, AND POPULATED
- 2 IT WITH EVERYTHING THAT WE HAVE DONE SO THAT THE PUBLIC, IF
- 3 IT'S INTERESTED, CAN SEE EXACTLY WHAT WE'VE DONE. CONTRARY
- 4 TO THE DISTRICT. WE RETAINED INDEPENDENT COUNSEL AND WHERE
- 5 NECESSARY HAVE SOUGHT HIS ADVICE. WE'VE TAKEN EVERY OVER
- 6 CONTROL OF OUR OWN AGENDAS. WE'VE INSTITUTED VERBATIM
- 7 TRANSCRIPTS OF ALL OUR MEETINGS. WE'VE TURNED OUR MINUTES,
- 8 PARTICULARLY RECENTLY, INTO MEANINGFUL AND USEFUL
- 9 DOCUMENTS.
- 10 MOST IMPORTANTLY I THINK WE'VE TAKEN OUR
- 11 OVERSIGHT RESPONSIBILITY SERIOUSLY. THIS INCLUDES
- 12 SCRUTINIZING THE BOARD REPORTS, CHALLENGING IMPROPER OR
- 13 IMPRUDENT EXPENDITURES, SCRUTINIZING THE INDEPENDENT
- 14 AUDITS, MAKING SERIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT, AND
- 15 PUBLICIZING OUR ACTIVITIES.
- 16 NOW, I REALIZE THAT THE COMMITTEE'S RELATIONSHIP
- 17 WITH THE DISTRICT HAS BECOME CONTENTIOUS TO SAY THE LEAST.
- 18 THIS HAS BEEN, I THINK, THE INEVITABLE RESULT OF OUR
- 19 INCREASED SCRUTINY OF HOW THE DISTRICT HANDLES TT FUNDS.
- 20 THE DEPARTMENT'S DEFAULT RESPONSE WHEN IT DOESN'T LIKE WHAT
- 21 WE ASK FOR OR RECOMMEND, AS YOU ALL KNOW, IS TO IGNORE US.
- 22 THE BOARD IS LARGELY INDIFFERENT TO THE PROBLEMS THAT WE
- 23 IDENTIFY AND THE SOLUTIONS WE RECOMMEND.
- NOW, I KNOW WE DIDN'T WANT TO TURN THIS
- 25 RELATIONSHIP INTO AN ADVERSARIAL ONE, BUT I ASK AGAIN A

- 1 QUESTION THAT I'VE POSED MANY TIMES IN THE PAST. IF WE'RE
- 2 REALLY GOING TO DO OUR JOB AND IF WE CONTINUE TO BE
- 3 IGNORED, WHICH IS WHAT USUALLY HAPPENS, WHAT ARE OUR
- 4 OPTIONS? WE CAN GIVE UP, OR WE CAN CONTINUE TO DO OUR JOB,
- 5 AND I HOPE THAT IN THE YEARS TO COME YOU WILL CHOOSE TO DO
- 6 THE LATTER.
- 7 WILLIE, I BELIEVE YOU HAD SOME COMMENTS ALONG
- 8 THESE LINES? YOU MENTIONED THE EARLIER THAT WE SPENT AN
- 9 INORDINATE AMOUNT OF TIME ANALYZING AND RECOMMENDING ONLY
- 10 TO GET NO WHERE WHICH IS PART OF WHAT I JUST SAID.
- 11 MR. ORDONEZ: IF WE CONTINUE IN THIS DIRECTION, NO
- 12 MATTER HOW GOOD OUR LEADERSHIP, I DON'T THINK THERE WILL BE
- 13 ACCOMPLISHMENTS OR WE CAN REACH OUR GOAL. I DON'T GET IT.
- 14 MR. CATES: WELL, I WILL FOLLOW YOUR PROGRESS WITH
- 15 GREAT INTEREST AND HOPE FOR THE BEST.
- 16 TOMORROW NIGHT I PRESENT AN ORAL SUMMARY OF OUR
- 17 ANNUAL REPORT TO THE BOARD. I WOULD LIKE A CHEERING
- 18 SECTION, BUT I DON'T EXPECT ONE. I CERTAINLY DON'T EXPECT
- 19 ONE FROM THE BOARD. BUT, YOU KNOW, WHAT I'M GOING TO SAY
- 20 IT'S ALL IN THAT ANNUAL REPORT, BUT YOU CAN ALWAYS SEE THE
- 21 PRESENTATION LATER. IT'S ON THE DISTRICT'S WEBSITE, AND
- 22 YOU CAN STREAM IT.
- MS. WANG: IS IT AT SIX O'CLOCK?
- MS. AWL: 6:30.
- 25 MS. VANCE: ARE YOU ONE OF THE PRESENTATIONS?

- 1 MS. AWL: DO YOU KNOW WHAT TIME?
- 2 MR. CATES: I DON'T KNOW. I HAVEN'T BEEN ADVISED.
- 3 MS. AWL: WHAT HAPPENS IS THE COMMITTEE STARTS AT 4:00
- 4 WITH THE HIGH SCHOOL KIDS, AND THEN IT WILL GO TO CLOSED
- 5 SESSION FROM 4:30 TO 6:30, BUT IT'S NOT TIME PROMPT SO THEY
- 6 MAY END UP COMING BACK IN AT 7:00. IT COULD BE 7:10. BUT
- 7 THEN THEY WILL HAVE 30 MINUTES OF PUBLIC COMMENT, AND THEN
- 8 THE AGENDA BEGINS. SO THESE SEATS -- THEY'LL BE SEATS
- 9 STARTING AT THAT DOOR ALL THE WAY BACK TWO AISLES, AND AN
- 10 OVERFLOW ROOM IN 229 THAT HAS TELEVISION SCREENING. BUT
- 11 IT'S A FULL AGENDA TOMORROW. SO THE CURRENT BOARD
- 12 PRESIDENT HAS TRIED TO GET THE MEETINGS FINISHED BY TEN
- 13 O'CLOCK, BUT WITH THE AGENDA TOMORROW, I'M NOT SURE.
- 14 MS. VANCE: YOU'RE THE SPECIAL PRESENTATION SO YOU'RE
- 15 AT L. SO THERE'S -- I WOULD GET HERE AT 6:30. YOU'RE
- 16 GOING TO HAVE -- DO YOU KNOW IF LIKE TEAMSTERS IS GOING TO
- 17 COME AND TALK?
- MS. AWL: THEY USUALLY DON'T.
- 19 MS. VANCE: SO THE BUS STRIKE IS DONE? ARE THE
- 20 TEACHERS HAPPY? THEY'RE NOT GOING TO COME IN AND SCREAM
- 21 FOR TWO HOURS?
- 22 IT DEPENDS ON WHO COMES IN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. I
- 23 WOULD SAY THEY COME BACK AT ITEM H, SO-CALLED ORDER IS
- 24 AFTER CLOSED SESSION AFTER THE HIGH SCHOOL KIDS. SO THEY
- 25 HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT AND THEN LABOR UNIONS WON'T TAKE LONG

- 1 AND THEN ACTION AND YOU'RE UP. SO I WOULD SAY YOU'RE
- 2 PROBABLY GOING TO BE, IF THERE'S NOT A LOT OF PUBLIC
- 3 COMMENT, COULD BE UP BY 7:15, 7:30.
- 4 I ASSURE YOU I WILL BE HERE WAITING.
- 5 YOU KNOW, FRANCIS, THERE IS SOMETHING THAT'S
- 6 RELEVANT ABOUT THE DISTRICT'S GENERAL FINANCIAL SITUATION
- 7 WITH PROPOSITION TT. IN COMPARISON TO THE OBJECTIONS THAT
- 8 WHENEVER RAISED, THE DISTRICT'S GENERAL FINANCIAL SITUATION
- 9 IS FAR MORE SERIOUS.
- 10 MR. BOLAND: YEAH, I'VE BEEN KEEPING UP WITH IT.
- 11 MR. CATES: EVEN IF THE BOARD WERE FAVORABLY INCLINED,
- 12 I THINK THEY HAVE MORE SERIOUS PROBLEMS TO DEAL WITH THAN
- 13 OUR GENERAL OBJECTION THAT THEY'RE LETTING THE DISTRICT USE
- 14 TT FUNDS FOR UNAUTHORIZED PURPOSES. THAT'S OUR BASIC
- 15 OBJECTION.
- 16 MS. VANCE: I'M SAYING IF LACO IS COMING IN, THEY'RE
- 17 GOING TO LOOK AT EVERYTHING, AND I THINK THAT WOULD BE
- 18 SOMETHING THEY LOOK AT.
- 19 MR. CATES: THEY OUGHT TO LOOK AT THIS, QUITE FRANKLY,
- 20 TO THE EXTENT THAT TT FUNDS ARE BEING USED IMPROPERLY TO
- 21 DEFRAY OPERATING EXPENSES.
- 22 MS. VANCE: WHAT PERSON ROBS PETER TO PAY PAUL? THE
- 23 PERSON WHO HAS NO MONEY.
- MR. CATES: THE DEFICIT REPORTED BY THE DISTRICT TO
- 25 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IS

- 1 UNDERSTATED.
- 2 MR. BOLAND: IT'S SOMETHING I'VE BEEN READING A LOT OF
- 3 ABOUT. IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE THAT THE CITY AND THE DISTRICT
- 4 HAS THE PROBLEMS IT HAS FINANCIALLY. I DON'T DISAGREE WITH
- 5 EVERY OBJECTION THAT YOU'VE RAISED ABOUT TT FUNDS. I
- 6 DON'T -- I DON'T DISAGREE WITH MOST OF THEM.
- 7 MR. HOCUTT: ARE ANY OF YOU PLANNING ON COMING
- 8 TOMORROW NIGHT? I PLAN TO BE HERE.
- 9 MS. WANG: I'LL BE HERE.
- 10 MS. VANCE: I PLAN TO BE HERE. I'M NOT SURE YET.
- MR. CATES: BEFORE WE ADJOURN THE MEETING, ARE THERE
- 12 ANY FURTHER COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS?
- 13 MR. HOCUTT: I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE ONE COMMENT. I
- 14 THINK I WOULD CERTAINLY PERSONALLY LIKE TO THANK BOTH CLIFF
- 15 AND GRETCHEN. I THINK ALL OF US RECOGNIZE WITHOUT THEIR
- 16 EXPERTISE AND INVOLVEMENT AND DEDICATION THAT THIS
- 17 COMMITTEE WILL BE BASICALLY HIGHLY INEFFECTIVE. SO I THINK
- 18 THEY'LL BOTH BE SORELY MISSED. BUT HERE'S THE PROBLEM.
- 19 EVEN THOUGH YOU MAY NOT BE ON THE TT COMMITTEE, YOU'RE NOT
- 20 DEAD. SO WE CAN STILL TALK TO YOU, AND WE WILL INTEND TO
- 21 DO SO. SO, AGAIN, THANK YOU BOTH.
- MR. CATES: THANK YOU, QUINCY.
- MS. VANCE: I HAVE TO SAY I DO IT ALL FOR MY KIDS.
- MR. CATES: I DON'T HAVE ANY KIDS IN THE DISTRICT. I
- 25 DO IT BECAUSE I BELIEVE IN THE MISSION.

- 1 MR. BOLAND: I'M GOING TO MISS BOTH OF YOU. I DON'T
- 2 LIKE TO DO ANYMORE WORK THAN I HAVE TO, AND NOW I'LL HAVE
- 3 TO DO MORE WORK.
- 4 MR. CATES: ALL RIGHT. THE NEXT MEETING DATE IS MARCH
- 5 21ST. QUINCY WILL BE THE CHAIR, AND I WILL BE HAVING
- 6 DINNER AT THIS TIME AND A COUPLE OF DRINKS. THINGS THAT I
- 7 HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO DO ONE WEDNESDAY PER MONTH.
- 8 MS. VANCE: QUINCY, IT'S SPRING BREAK. I THINK THIS
- 9 BUILDING IS GOING TO BE CLOSED. I WONDER IF YOU SHOULD
- 10 POSTPONE THAT BY ONE WEEK JUST FOR NEXT MONTH AND DO IT THE
- 11 FOURTH WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH?
- 12 MR. CATES: I MAKE THIS PROPOSAL. CERTAINLY WE NEED
- 13 TO RESCHEDULE IF THE FACILITY WON'T BE OPEN OR IF MOST OF
- 14 YOU CAN'T COME. I'D LIKE TO SUGGEST THAT THE NEW CHAIR
- 15 WORK THIS OUT AND BE AUTHORIZED AFTER CONSULTING WITH
- 16 EVERYONE TO CHANGE THE MEETING DATE TO ACCOMMODATE AS MANY
- 17 PEOPLE AS POSSIBLE. IF THAT'S ACCEPTABLE TO YOU ALL. ALL
- 18 RIGHT.
- 19 MR. VITALE: IF I MAY, THERE WAS SOMETHING THAT WE
- 20 USED TO DO WHEN GOOD THINGS HAPPENED MANY, MANY YEARS AGO
- 21 WHEN I WAS IN THE SCOUTS. YOU ALL STAND UP FOR A SECOND,
- 22 PLEASE. AND THIS IS FOR THE BEHALF OF OUR OUT GOING,
- 23 CLIFF. WE'RE GOING TO DO THREE HOWS AND AN UGH.
- 24 THANK YOU, SIR.
- 25 (THE PROCEEDINGS CONCLUDE AT 8:52 A.M.)