

Sacramento City Unified School District
Board of Education Meeting

December 10, 2020 Public Comments

Name:	Alina Cervantes with Simon
Comment:	<p>I'm combining my time with my partner. Good evening board members and superintendent Aguilar. I want to publicly thank you, Board member Minnick for your service to our children. You have always kept children front and center in all of your decision making, even when it was not popular to do so. In 2018, you requested the formation of the SCUSD African American Achievement Task Force, a committee of community members, parents, and staff focused on identifying the disparities for African-American students. They developed recommendations for implementation in the district in real time. SCUSD has already put into place several recommendations, including publishing and announcing student suspension data at board meetings, and restructuring our contract with law enforcement to no longer provide School Resource Officers stationed on campus. I thank you for your service on behalf of our children, and I am confident that your successor Jamee Villa will continue to put our children first.</p> <p>Board president Ryan, you have been a transformative leader, unfortunately hamstrung by people who want to put adult wants above children's needs. Your equity focused accomplishments are too many to count, so I want to take this time to publicly say you did not deserve the hateful treatment you received. I know you already know you did not deserve to be bullied and harassed, but it needs to be said. People who publicly rally behind social workers and anti-bullying efforts for our district, yet behind closed doors are out here bullying teachers, parents, and Board members, when they don't even have kids in this district are the worst kind of hypocrites. Your family and children were publicly disparaged. Your constituents were being sent dozens of mailers full of flat out lies about you. It is sad we live in an a political climate where facts don't matter, and powerful conspiracy theorists have people convinced that there is no budget crisis. Sadly, they will be hit with realty very soon. Now you turn the page. I have faith that you will continue to serve our most vulnerable students in whatever you do. We were lucky to have you, you were overqualified for this job, and I know you will continue to put children first in all of your endeavors. Thank you for your courage to walk out on the skinny branch, and your service to our children.</p>

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Agenda Item:
10.4 President's Report and Recognition of Outgoing Board Members

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Name:	Alison French-Tubo
Comment:	Thank you to outgoing board members Michael Minnick, Mai Vang, and Jessie Ryan. Jessie Ryan, thank you for your leadership--you have always focused on equity for the kids and listening to all stakeholders. Your example has engaged and empowered parents and community members who will keep attending board meetings, expecting the focus on equity and listening to continue under the new board president.

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Name:	Alma Lopez
Comment:	<p>Good evening Superintendent and Board members,</p> <p>I want to thank the outgoing board members for their service and share my appreciation for Board member Mai Vang for her courageous leadership.</p> <p>Board member Vang, thank you for being student and community-centered, for being so vocal, and naming the structural issues that disproportionately impact students of color.</p> <p>You have been a champion on "Reimagining School Safety" to protect students of color from the disproportionate impact of the school-to-prison pipeline.</p> <p>Board member Garcia, we know you are not an outgoing member and also appreciate that your words align with your actions.</p> <p>We look forward to welcoming the incoming board members and invite them to step into their leadership as authentic, bold, and courageous leaders ... that's what our students families need.</p>

Speaking as: Community Member

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