

Sacramento City Unified School District  
**Board of Education Meeting**

**December 10, 2020 Public Comments**

Name:	Cyrus Abhar
Comment:	<p>Good evening, Board of Education Members. My name is Cyrus Abhar and I am the City Manager for the City of Rancho Cordova.</p> <p>I have had the pleasure of working with Superintendent Aguilar in my capacity as the City Manager for the City of Rancho Cordova since he joined the District in 2017. I have always found the Superintendent attentive to the needs of the students and their families in our community. We have been able to foster some wonderful partnerships in the past few years to improve the quality of education for the students in Rancho Cordova.</p> <p>Superintendent Jorge Aguilar is a consummate professional who deeply cares about the academic success of our students. I have always found him committed to maintaining the long term financial health of the district and creating a thriving educational environment for our students and teachers.</p> <p>It has been an absolute pleasure to have worked with Superintendent Aguilar over the past 3+ years and I look forward to the opportunity to continue building on the collaborative relationship that we have created with him and with the district to achieve greater success for the students in our community.</p>

Speaking as: City Manager, City of Rancho Cordova

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## Anne Maretti

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Ok, got it, wasn't sure of the process! Here's my comment:

Good afternoon. I'm Liz Guillen, a long-time resident in SCUSD. You know me in my professional capacity, but I'm speaking today in my personal capacity, in support of our Superintendent Jorge Aguilar on his evaluation. I have been very concerned about the negative statements made by his opponents against him. As Board Members, I believe you know better than most, that his performance improving student outcomes is good. If you are not clear on the stats, shame on you. He has been your Superintendent, too:

Despite resource limitations, countless administrative and litigation matters requiring hours of preparation work and testimony, limited staffing and capacity, he has focused on creating greater efficiencies and improved response times to meet the significant academic and social and emotional needs of our 40,000 students. Yet, he is ridiculed by people who call themselves educators for worrying about data as if a systems change misses the point. The data would show such improvements as increased graduation rates, increased A-G completion rates, increased FAFSA completion rates, increased access to college entrance exams, also increases in our state's assessments which are reflected in our Dashboard growth, positive growth in Dashboard indicators for academics and suspension, as well as improvements in student group performance. These improvements affect the neediest students in this district--you all have them in your areas, some more than others.

I encourage you to evaluate him positively but more than that, also to stand up for him, and do so publicly. His opponents do a disservice to the students and families his good work benefits, and those communities know their voices are being overshadowed by more privileged voices. The entire district community needs all Board Members to support him, in word and deed. He is your Superintendent, too, and your support of him should go beyond a positive evaluation. Thank you.

Liz Guillen