

Sacramento City Unified School District
Board of Education Meeting

April 22, 2021 Public Comments

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Comment: 8.6 Special Education Assessments

District Superintendent, Sacramento City Unified School District

At the start of the school closures in March 2020, we wondered how to do our jobs, which included assessments and therapy.

On November 5, 2020, I sent an email to my-then-supervisor asking for digital assessments.

On February 24, 2021, the issue of digital assessments was discussed at the administrators meeting

On March 25, 2021, we were told that the purchase process for digital assessments had been

started.

On April 8, 2021, we were told that the order was placed with Pearson for the Digital Assessment

Comments of SCTA First Vice-President Nikki Milevsky to the Sacramento City Unified School Board, April 22, 2021.

Agenda Item, 8.6. Special Education Assessments

Just yesterday, late in the afternoon, we received a letter from Superintendent Aguilar concerned about the District's inability to address the backlog of special education assessments based on a complaint filed with the California Department of Education.

The letter exemplifies Superintendent Aguilar's approach, which is to write letters for an outside audience as a means to divert attention away from the District's continued failure to provide services to students with disabilities.

Superintendent Aguilar has ignored the recommendations from the report from the Council of Great City Schools that dates back several years.

Superintendent Aguilar made little effort to reach an agreement with us on special education assessments back in November 2020 and waited until the end of February to agree to essentially the same proposal we had on the table in November. Mr. Aguilar made no mention of the CDE

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SCTA is opposed to restorative practices? Wrong. We developed a proposal with the Black Parallel School Board Leadership Committee. I am a member of the Black Parallel School Board Leadership Committee.

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