

Comments by David Fisher, President of the Sacramento City Teachers Association (SCTA), to the Sacramento City Unified School District (SCUSD)

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November 5, 2020

Good evening. I'm David Fisher, president of the Sacramento City Teachers Association.

On Friday, October 9, 2020, SCTA along with the Natomas Teachers Association and the Twin Rivers United Educators wrote to the superintendents of Sac City Unified, Natomas Unified and Twin Rivers Unified as well as Dave Gordon of the Sacramento County Office of Education about our concern regarding the safety of students and staff if in-person classes resume before the end of this calendar year.

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The District still has not implemented a comprehensive contact tracing protocol, has given no indication of its ability to provide COVID testing to students and staff, and has provided no detailed information regarding the installation and replacement of school site filtration systems. The District remains unable or unwilling to answer our basic questions on these matters.

schools. This crisis is not a time to lessen standards which could compromise the health and safety of all in the school community, the quality of education being provided to students or the protections for employees in the workplace.”

Unfortunately, the District’s position with the other six large urban school districts contradict the position it is taking in its recent negotiations with us

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Additionally, the District's team has not been prepared to bargain. Despite another commitment from the Superintendent that the District's team would be responding to

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the contract proposals that SCTA made on June 9, 2020, the District still has provided no response. No response on our proposal regarding Restorative Practices; no

response on our proposal regarding the implementation of CMU Mutual Support of

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first person to crack on this current board will be featured prominently in my column.”

On October 15, we asked the board

First, did Ms. Murawski report to the full board that she had been threatened by Mr Breton?

Second, what are you as an elected body going to do in response to this threat? While we recognize that Mr. Breton is your ally, surely you don't support an opinion writer threatening to use his column as a way to browbeat you and other elected officials to carry out his own political agenda, even if it matches your own.

We are awaiting your response.