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Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer,

You have a requirement in the Bylaws for an Audit Committee, yet you have no such committee. When this is pointed out, you somehow take many months to appear to be forming one, without actually getting any closer. Meanwhile, the critical moment arrives (and perhaps passes?) when TVLC is about to irrevocably commit to perhaps the biggest financial obligation of its existence – when the insights of an Audit Committee could be most critical – and yet that committee still (in)conveniently doesn't exist...?

We see you.

For months parents request a detailed, visible financing, construction, and occupancy plan, to which you contend there are too many unknowns to make one. Yet in that same period, you completely commit to the readiness of the new building by letting the Portola reservation deadline expire – effectively burning our ships on the beach, and leaving no alternative but a “panic”, risks-be-damned jump to the new facility...?

We see you.

Under pressure from parents beginning in January, one of your Site Councils requests a Workshop to answer the many questions necessary for informed decisions about moving to the new facility. You somehow manage to delay until mid-May, then hold a “first-of-a-series” Town Hall, that deals in secondary matters but postpones the central ones down the road, until after the “decision” is moot...?

We see you.

You bring in a flotilla of expensive time-is-money construction equipment... not sometime *before* the Town Hall, which would have turned that meeting into a donnybrook... or *after* the Board decision whether to authorize, which, although the self-evidently logical sequence, would miss the chance to send a message of *fait accompli*... but on the ONE MORNING in between...?

Hmmm. *Why would you do that?*

Then you insult the world with the preposterous cover story they're there for "weed control"(?!?)...?

Consider for a moment these two functionally identical photos:



Heavy paving equipment (Montevina II; May 12, 2016)

[Extra credit: How many days of teachers' salary are represented in this photo?]



Russian BMP-97's (Eastern Ukraine; 2015)

What do these photos have in common? (Other than that the explanation of "Weed control" is equally plausible for both...)

What they have in common is that they are both classic, shameless, over-the-top, (Soviet-style, Putin-esque) displays of bullying POWER POLITICS:

You think that if you treat us as weak, we will be weak. If as gullible, we will be gullible. If as irrelevant, we will be irrelevant. If as stupid, we will be stupid. If as powerless, we will be powerless.

You think that if you act arrogant, and contemptuous of the community you work for, and get away with it... you will be strong, and steamroll past us to get your way.

Guess what.

We see you.

You are unrepentant habitual purveyors of factual inexactitudes. (Feel free to substitute that for the term "Liar", since apparently it offends you.) Extensive objective documentation for

that characterization is available, should it really be needed.

We are not, any longer, oblivious. And we are done with politely mincing words, with our children's lives and teachers' livelihoods at stake.

If you want the community to give you some room to breathe, start operating to the Core Values.

WE SEE YOU.

Sincerely,

Matt Weingart

LVCS/LVCP Parent

[If you feel this is unfair or misdirected, then feel free to pass it along to whoever is pulling your strings. But make that a public correspondence.]