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Subject: Re: My Resignation

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Dear LVCP Council and TVLC Board Members:

This action by Mrs. Wyosnick is perhaps the bravest and the highest in integrity that I have seen from this council. The only other action near high in courage and integrity was Mrs. Wyosnick's call for a vote on Dr. Scott Lessard's seats on the council and the Board of Directors during the joint council session.

There goes one of the last visible shreds of hope and the third high integrity person on the LVCP council to have resigned in a month. Do you not understand? People of integrity choose to leave the council. They do not feel that the council has courage and integrity. They do not have confidence in the leadership.

Someone told me they felt that Mrs. Wyosnick was being bullied, with the bylaws as the means. I think to look at it slightly differently. You can't bully or intimidate people with courage. They act on their own. Mrs. Wyosnick did the right thing. With even just the perception of a problem with her seat she chose to resign. That is integrity.

Mr. Weiss, you did her a favor. You didn't take her off the LVCP Council. You gave her yet one more chance to be what she has shown to be her method of operating all along. You gave her a chance to consider her reputation, her values relative to the situation and she did what she has clearly done all along. She acted with integrity. She did not ask Mr. Austin if a bylaws change could be made. She did not look for an action to cure.

Dr. Scott Lessard (LVCP Council Member and TVLC Board President) please resign, step down from your seat of the LVCP Council and the TVLC BoD. There will be no peace in this community until you do. Our Charter Authorizers, our Civic Leaders, our Parents all have their attention on you. Our community does not want you on the Council or the TVLC BOD. A vacated seat left vacant is preferable, even if that vacant seat remains open for a while.

Mr. David Goulart (LVCS Council Member and TVLC Board Member, please step down. There will be no peace until you do. If it is your intent to be a part of the cleanup of the mess we are all in, you can do so via your continued involvement as an active participant in the parent community. It is believed that your personal integrity is telling you to stay to help. Maybe you believe that because you know where some of the problems are at you can help clean them up faster. Maybe you consider that because you've been on the Board and making decisions contributory to our situation, you can help untangle those issues. Our Authorizers, our Civic Leaders and our parent community have their attention on your actions. For one, I would encourage that you can still help, maybe even more powerfully. You can help advise as a parent with a great deal more information than most. You can advise, but you should no longer govern in any capacity. It isn't about whether you did anything overtly wrong. You, like others, have been blinded by smooth talk and the high ideas of creating a palace of education and an institution of broad charter expansion. Those dreams are hollow now. We do not want that. We want to reform our charter schools. We want to regain them for the students. We want to regain them for the mission that made our schools special in spite of a governance model that has gotten it too deeply in debt, too closely aligned with partners and not so well aligned with parents. Please step down from your seats on both the LVCS Council and the TVLC BOD. Do not prolong the painful rift in our community. Regain respect others might have had for you by rejoining the parents and driving change. Please step down.

Mr. Tim Hall (at large board member and former TVLC President) I do not ask, I demand you step down. You seem not to understand that our Authorizers, our Civic Leaders and Parents of this community in large numbers feel that you personally, in your role as Board Member and Board President, have been closely aligned with not only the decisions made by the board, but also for having guided the board to those decisions. After all, it was you developing the agendas directly with the inputs of the CEO. It was you stopping meetings that Board Members asked for to discuss and decide upon issues. It was you who cancelled meetings for long durations of time. It was you as Board President who enabled two CEOs to make decision that ruined our reputation. It was you who had the audacity to insult the mayor of the Livermore community directly to his face. You MUST go. This community no longer welcomes you.

Mr. Phillip Weiss (LVCP Council Member and Chair of the Measure G Citizens Oversight Committee). I call for you to choose either the LVCP council or the Measure G committee. Your involvement on both, especially in the current times of crisis at TVLC, leaves many with the question about your ability to perform effectively and independently in the Measure G Oversight. Remove the perception that you are now more tightly aligned with maintaining the TVLC board as it is than in calling the board to accountability. Standing behind the bylaws as you have in the case of your advice to Mrs. Wyosnick is incongruent with your having stood so staunchly to support Dr. Lessard. You can't have it both ways. The fact that you now seem to understand that we are in trouble as a community should not have taken this long. You have had more evidence before you than you will ever get for Measure G Oversight. That just this past week you have awakened to the desperate situation we are all in, is jaw dropping. You and the LVCP Council have received ample insight. Yet, here we are and you just see it. I challenge your integrity and the affect it will have on trust placed in you. Choose to remain on the Measure G Oversight or stay on the LVCP Council. Do not stay on both.

Mrs. Mary Wyosnick, you did the right thing and you have all along. You have consistently asked questions and made motions that would help drive change. Your integrity in stepping down just at the perception that your seat may be in question is an admirable action. You have long earned the trust and respect of many in our community. You have mine.

We need to REFORM OUR CHARTER SCHOOLS. They are not here for the corporation. The schools are here because parents willed it. Parents will the reform.

Dick Corso

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Subject: My Resignation

Date: Fri, 22 Apr 2016 20:16:28 -0700

From: Mary Wyosnick

To: LVCP Council <Council@lvcp.org>

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Dear LVCP Site Council,

After serving on the board for one and a half years, it was brought to my attention last night that it is against the bylaws for me to sit on the council. Apparently, as an elected parent at LVCP, I am also an "interested person", an employee, as defined in section 5 of the TVLC bylaws and may not serve.

The thank you goes to Phil Weiss for bringing this to my attention last night. After finding this out, of course I immediately said that I would resign from my position. As a person of high integrity, I certainly do not wish to engage in any behavior that goes against the bylaws. I am not sure where these bylaws have been since I joined 18 months ago. However, now that I know of them, I will absolutely follow them as our Tri-Valley Learning Corporation public document, as I believe all members of our organizations should.

I will continue to support our schools and volunteer, I will just give of my time in a different way. It has been a pleasure to serve on the board and to get to know you. I wish all of you the very best.

Warm Regards,
Mary

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