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Board of Education Meeting

October 5, 2023 Written Public Comments

Name:	Andrea Montgomery
School:	CK McClatchy High School
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Comment: I would like to commit my support to our SEIU members and their bargaining efforts. Our school site is one of the largest in the district. We spend a great deal of time ensuring our students have the support and clarity they need to enjoy their school day and become successful students. But that doesn't happen through Certificated Staff alone. We are absolutely intertwined with our Classified staff. Often, our Office Techs are the first faces our students see. They provide our students with a warm welcome, answers to password issues, assistance in finding the correct office for what they need, scheduling assistance, enrollment help. These are only a few responsibilities that Classified staff take on. To pay these staff members less than most paraprofessional fields, as if they are on par with hourly workers in the fast food industry or mall employment is completely off priority and disregards their value at our sites. Without our Registrar and Office Techs, our Counseling

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Name:	Melina Buttleman
School:	A.M. Winn
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Comment:	<p>I am a Mother with a child at AM Winn K-8. I am writing on behalf of the classified staff who support our teachers and most importantly, our kids.</p> <p>These people are our nutritional staff, who feed our children. They are our yard duties, the ones who build relationships and support our kids through the most important years of their lives when we can't be there. Our bus drivers, the only reason some of our kids can even get to school, our instructional aides who give our kids the necessary support they need, and so many more staff members who make our school whole.</p> <p>These irreplaceable members of school are the lowest paid and that is completely unacceptable. They deserve livable wages. They deserve healthcare. We have classified folks working on campus and beyond whose hours are kept just below the threshold to qualify for benefits. This is shameful.</p> <p>I am writing to ask you to give our classified staff the increase in pay they are asking for. Do NOT negotiate to the minimum accepted and for once do the right thing now. Provide them with the hours we know they are needed for, instead of forcing them to work overtime, allowing you to avoid paying benefits OR hiring the additional staff that's needed.</p> <p>AM Winn is more than a school. We are a community. Our community members stand up for each other when we're needed. We fully support our classified staff and encourage you to negotiate in good faith. Give them what they are asking for.</p>

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Name:	Kristina Kendricks-Clark
School:	Rosemont High School
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