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Honorable Judge, Donald Segerstrom
Tuolumne County Superior Court
60 North Washington Street
Sonora, CA 95370

July 22, 2013

Honorable Judge Segerstrom:

Bellevue School District has reviewed the 2013 Grand Jury report and would like to thank the education committee for their time compiling this report. Bellevue is also very hopeful that misinformation from the media and misperceptions are clarified so closure can occur quickly for all involved.

After reviewing the report, the Bellevue School District Governing Board and the Superintendent respectfully respond to Finding # 6 and Recommendation # 6 as follows:

Finding # 6: Superintendent agrees

SUPERINTENDENT RESPONSE: While the safety of students was never in jeopardy, the Superintendent takes full responsibility for this decision.

BOARD RESPONSE: We would like to thank the grand jury for their opinion and assure the committee that this board did seriously consider the safety of our students based on the information available at the time. This was a temporary work assignment for the employee that lasted approximately two weeks, under the direct supervision of another employee while no students were on campus. However, in consideration of the finding, the board will review its policies for hiring and assignment of employees within six months of this report.

RECOMMENDATION # 6:

Recommendation # 6 The Grand Jury recommends that BESD and CUSD policy should be developed to ensure that ongoing criminal investigations or pending criminal charges be resolved before a job offer is made or an individual is allowed to return to work.

This will be implemented within six months of the date of the Grand Jury report by the District reviewing its Board Policies and Administrative Regulations related to hiring and assignment of employees.

Once again, we thank the education committee for their extensive work on this matter.

BELLEVUE GOVERNING BOARD: July 22, 2013



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