

MINUTES

SPECIAL JOINT EL CERRITO

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

<u>Lynda Frank</u>, El Cerrito, spoke in support of the Writer Coach Connection and the positive impact it has achieved in the school district. Ms. Frank noted a correlation between how the school district performs, test scores and property values.

<u>Jean Womack</u>, Richmond, spoke in support of the Writer Coach Connection program.

<u>Al Miller</u>, El Cerrito, thanked the City Council and Board of Education for convening a joint meeting. Mr. Miller spoke in support of the School Resource Officer program.

<u>Janet Duckart</u>, El Cerrito, spoke in support of the WCCUSD support of adult schools and senior programs and expressed concerns about future funding and the continuance of programs for older adult programs.

Robert Menzimer, Albany, described the background, success and benefits of the Writer Coach Connection program in El Cerrito and expressed concerns about continued funding and volunteerism.

<u>Todd Groves</u>, El Cerrito, spoke in support of the Writer Coach Connection and the need for additional funding.

<u>Maureen Dixon</u>, El Cerrito, spoke in support of the Writer Coach Connection, shared data and testimony regarding the program and described the benefits to students who are engaged in the program.

Karen Shebeck, Kensington, spoke in support of the WCCUSD Measure K

Action: Presentation heard and discussion held.

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