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Ventura County
Grand Jury

November 7, 2018

Dr. Ira Schoenwald
Grand Jury
800 South Victoria Avenue
Ventura, CA 93009

Re: Response to Grand Jury Report "Independent Special Districts"

Dear D. Schoenwald:

Enclosed you will find the preliminary response of the Blanchard/Santa Paula Library District to the report referenced above. The recommendation has been implemented with the exception of posting the funds reserve policy which is currently being developed and will be considered by the Board of Trustees at its December meeting.

I will inform you when it has been adopted and posted.

Sincerely,

Ned Branch
District Director

enc.



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Response to Grand Jury Report Form

Report Title: Independent Special Districts

Report Date: April 26, 2018

Response by: Ned Branch

Title: District Director

FINDINGS / CONCLUSIONS

- I (we) agree with the findings / conclusions numbered:
FA-03, FA-04, FA-05, FA-06, FA-08, C-02, C-03, C-04
- I (we) disagree wholly or partially with the Findings / Conclusions numbered:
FA-03

(Attach a statement specifying any portions of the Findings / Conclusions that are disputed; include an explanation of the reasons.)

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Recommendation numbered R-04 has been partially implemented.
(Attach a summary describing the implemented actions and date completed.)
- Recommendations number R-04 has not yet been fully implemented, but will be implemented in the future.
(Attach a time frame for the implementation.)

Date: November 7, 2018

Signed: 

District Director

Number of pages attached: 1

ATTACHMENTS

Disputed Findings

- FA-03 While it is true that there has not been a competitive election for trustee since 2012, the District posts notices of the election on its website and notifies the local newspaper of the coming election. The newspaper publishes information about the position and how to become a candidate.

Recommendations

- R-04 As of November 1, 2018, the District added all the recommended elements to its website except the policy for reserve funds, which is currently under development. The policy is expected to be submitted to the Board of Trustees for its approval at its December 2018 meeting, after which it will be added to the website.