



550 Blumont Street Laguna Beach, CA 92651

August 17, 2023

The Honorable Maria D. Hernandez Presiding Judge Orange County Superior Court 700 Civic Center Drive West Santa Ana, CA 92701

Dear Judge Hernandez,

Please see below for the responses to each required Finding (2,7,8, 9, and 10) as requested in the Orange County Grand Jury Report Russian Roulette: Fentanyl in Orange County and attached cover letter dated June 14, 2023.

F#	Finding	Agree/ Disagree	Response And Explanation (if Required)
F2	Illicit fentanyl is a pervasive problem in Orange County.	Agree. The respondent agrees with the finding.	
F7	Orange County will benefit by establishing a chartered multi-agency Task Force to address the fentanyl crisis in Orange County.	Agree. The respondent agrees with the finding.	
F8	As long as there is a demand, producers will find ways to supply drugs. Orange County cannot law enforce its way out of the fentanyl crisis. Education, prevention, and treatment are critical to reducing demand.	Agree. The respondent agrees with the finding.	
F9	There is a need to increase public awareness and acknowledgment of the risks of illicit fentanyl.	Agree. The respondent agrees with the finding.	
F10	Some educational institutions are not participating in available educational and preventive fentanyl/drug programs.	Agree. The respondent agrees with the finding.	The respondent agrees with the finding. While the Grand Jury has apparently determined that "some" educational institutions are not participating in available educational and preventive fentanyl/drug programs, the Orange County Department of Education and other districts are, in fact, participating in available educational and preventive fentanyl/drug programs.

Please see below for the responses to each required Recommendation (1, 5, and 6) as requested in the Orange County Grand Jury report and attached cover letter dated June 14, 2023.

R#	Recommendation	Implementation	Response And Explanation (if Required)
R1	By January 1, 2024, the Orange County Board of Supervisors should charter a multi-agency Task Force to address the fentanyl crisis.	The recommendation has not yet been implemented but will be within a time frame for implementation.	The recommendation has not yet been implemented as it is directed to the Orange County Board of Supervisors and has a January 1, 2024 date for implementation. The Orange County Department of Education would participate in the "multi-agency Task Force" if invited.
R5	By January 1, 2024, the Orange County Department of Education should develop a model fentanyl/opioid educational program to be offered to all K-12 school districts in Orange County.	The recommendation has not yet been implemented but will be within a time frame for implementation.	The recommendation has not yet been implemented but will be implemented in the future. Specifically, the Orange County Department of Education is developing a health education program to address opioid and fentanyl use among students. The program will include lesson plans, family engagement resources, substance use treatment information, and guidelines for implementation. This program will be shared with all K-12 school districts in Orange County by January 1, 2024.
R6	By October 1, 2023, the Orange County Department of Education should promote the use of currently established and in-place fentanyl and drug-related educational programs offered by OC agencies such as Health Care Agency, OC Sheriff's Department, and non-governmental organizations to all K-12 school districts in Orange County.	The recommendation has been implemented.	The Orange County Department of Education currently supports and promotes existing health education services provided by the Orange County Sheriff's Department, Orange County Health Care Agency, and other County-funded programs. Information about these services is made available through a variety of professional networks administered by the OCDE, as well as through focused collaborative events. OCDE staff also provide individual referrals to available services when responding to school and district staff inquiries.

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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### **Agenda Item Details**

Meeting Aug 17, 2023 - REGULAR MEETING - BUSINESS MEETING

Category 10. CONSENT CALENDAR - ACTION (CONSENT)

Subject W. Approval of Staff Responses to the OC Grand Jury Report Titled Russian Roulette: Fentanyl in

Orange County

Type Consent Calendar

#### Background

The Orange County Grand Jury (OCGJ) recently published a report on June 21, 2023, detailing the efforts undertaken by school districts and the Orange County Department of Education (OCDE) to support students and families struggling with Fentanyl use in Orange County. The report is attached as is the LBUSD response to the Grand Jury.

Per California Penal Code Section 933 933 paragraph (c) states in part "No later than 90 days after the grand jury submits a final report on the operations of any public agency subject to its reviewing authority, the governing body of the public agency shall comment to the presiding judge of the superior court on the findings and recommendations pertaining to matters under the control of the governing body..." Each Local Educational Agency (LEA) in Orange County is required to address the findings and recommendations outlined in the OCGJ report by September 19, 2023. It is requested that each District's Governing Board review and approve the written response to the OCGJ report.

OC Grand Jury Russian Roulette. Fentanyl in Orange County.pdf (1,174 KB)

LBUSD OC Grand Jury Response- Fentanyl in OC.pdf (96 KB)

Parliamentary Procedure provides for a consent agenda listing several items for approval of the Board by a single motion. All matters listed under the Consent Calendar will be enacted by the Board in one motion. The Superintendent and the Staff recommend approval, and/or ratification of all Consent Calendar items. Any item may be removed from the Consent Calendar at the request of a Board member and acted on separately.



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Meeting

Aug 17, 2023 - REGULAR MEETING - BUSINESS MEETING

Category

10. CONSENT CALENDAR - ACTION (CONSENT)

Subject

B. Approval of Consent Calendar Items C-X

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Action

Recommended

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Motion to approve Consent Calendar Items C-X.

#### **Background**

Approval includes all Consent Calendar items C-X unless an item is pulled to be voted on separately.

## **Motion & Voting**

Motion to approve Consent Calendar Items C-R and T-X.

Motion by Kelly Osborne, second by Joan Malczewski.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Joan Malczewski, Kelly Osborne, Dee Perry, Jan Vickers

Not Present at Vote: Jim Kelly

Motion to approve Consent Calendar Item S.

Motion by Kelly Osborne, second by Joan Malczewski.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Joan Malczewski, Kelly Osborne, Dee Perry, Jan Vickers

Not Present at Vote: Jim Kelly