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**Mr. D'Aquila and Ms. Penna's inaccurate letter to the TAPINTO**

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Good Afternoon,

I have some questions regarding Mr. D'Aquila and Ms. Penna's inaccurate letter to TAPINTO in trying to respond to Ms. Akiri's letter (that did not mention them once and was simply trying to explain her vote).

(1) As this inaccurate letter represented the entire opinion of the Board (of which Ms. Akiri is a part of), I have to imagine there was a discussion on this by BOE members. Was the public notified of this meeting? Is there a record of a vote in connection to this letter? How much time did BOE members have to review this letter before voting?

(2) Were any District resources used to create/approve the inaccurate letter (staff, consultants, attorneys)? There are campaign/election references in the letter and I just want to be clear.

(3) It appears that Mr. D'Aquila is planning to pay attorneys to respond to the question as to whether he and Ms. Penna were justified in representing the Board in writing their inaccurate letter. Why would he need to seek legal counsel to answer this question? Wouldn't he know the answer to this question before he and Ms. Penna published the inaccurate letter?

(4) Wouldn't it just be easier to allow BOE members and the public more information and more time to review the budget then to play out this theatre? Have you ever stepped back and considered maybe some of the things people who voted for change want might actually help the district and (apparently more importantly) you?

If you need to pay lawyers to answer these questions then dont bother. Its an incredibly stupid use of District resources.

Link to the specific inaccurate letter I am referencing in this email (as there have been many in the past 12 months coming from the Board):

<https://www.tapinto.net/towns/berkeley-heights/categories/letters-to-the-editor/articles/the-board-of-education-believes-that-transparency-starts-with-accurate-facts>

Thanks and have a great weekend!

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