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Greetings,

Please include my comments below for consideration in tonight's meeting and vote regarding SRO contracts with the school district.

As a La Crosse community member and parent with a child enrolled in the school district, I am deeply concerned that the contract language only specifies values and does not specify actions that will be taken to protect volunteer members of a school committee proactively or how the PD will respond with action steps when harassment of a volunteer member is harassed by public employees during their paid and unpaid time.

Please decline to advance this contract without inclusion of specific clarity of what accountability will look like as there currently is precedent for this behavior from La Crosse PD representatives in police oversight conversations with no public accounting of the many consequences to the public volunteers that came as a result of police harassment.

How will the schools recruit and support parent volunteers from marginalized backgrounds without process transparency from the La Crosse Police Department?

Sincerely,
Jane Benzschawel