

## Resignation of Kenneth V. Ward as Volunteer General Manager

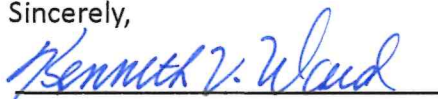
Please accept my resignation as Volunteer General Manager of the SCSD effective March 12, 2026. It has been a privilege to serve the Board for the past few months. It has certainly been an enlightening experience, to say the least. The position is much more complicated than I first anticipated.

I have been very fortunate to have Mike Garcia as an assistant during the past few months. I cannot describe how insightful and competent he is in addressing the multitude of unfortunate issues that the Board has been forced to resolve. His willingness to accept the challenges and then accomplishing appropriate resolutions is simply astonishing. His technical expertise has been instrumental in advancing the District to a better and more modern functional platform.

Mike Garcia also possesses exceptional communication skills. His ability to listen and respond in a polite and appropriate manner is a character trait that is so often lacking in this society where impersonal social media and electronic communication has overtaken the ability of many to engage in meaningful and non-confrontational discussion. His literary skills excel as well as his verbal skills.

Based on the above, as well as the Board's ability to observe Mike's abilities and work ethic first hand, I would strongly and without any reservations whatsoever recommend that he be appointed as the next General Manager of the SCSD. The District is fortunate to have a person of his caliber accept the challenge.

Sincerely,



Kenneth V. Ward