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At the Sep. 25 meeting of the Peralta Community College District Board of Trustees, PFT Grievance Officer Jeff Sanceri posed unanswerable questions, Chancellor Jowel C. Laguerre declared ONEPeralta temporarily on hold, and Trustee Linda Handy—fresh back from a trip to Washington, D.C., with students—[expressed agita](#) over some district travel expenditures.

[Sanceri remarked](#) on the law that stops trustees from responding during public comment, before wondering, “What does a Citizens Oversight Committee really mean if their actual oversight is either ignored or set aside in favor of a better or more convenient answer?” He also asked about ongoing maintenance issues around the district.

Trustees Julina Bonilla and Karen Weinstein pointed out that a number of incidents noted by students didn’t show up in the district’s annual [Clery Act Report](#). VC of General Services Sadiq Ikharo offered assurances that students are safe on campus.

College presidents discussed ways that their campuses are combating food insecurity, Student Trustee Aisha K.L. Jordan voiced reservations about Peralta’s collection of unpaid student fees, and an agenda item for \$550K for outside legal services passed unremarked on.

Elsewhere:

*Jennifer Shanoski will hold a presidential office hour Wed., Oct. 3, 12-1 p.m., in Room 341A at Berkeley City College. Faculty should feel free to stop by and chat with the PFT’s top elected official.

*PFT will offer a [new-member orientation](#) Fri., Oct. 5, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the union offices ([500 E. Eighth St. Ste. B, Oakland](#)). Meet your sisters and brothers, learn about the major issues facing faculty, and enjoy some light refreshments.

In solidarity,

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