

**A San Joaquin County
civil grand jury has
released its findings
from an investigation
of the Stockton
Unified Board of
Trustees. Here are six
key points.**

The board is **directly responsible** for the district's high rate of superintendent turnover, the report says.

There have been **11** people in the role since **2005**, none for more than **two years at a time**.

The trustees have
ignored established
hiring practices with
regards to the
superintendent and
outside legal counsel.

Guidelines involving public input
and interviews were not followed
during two recent hires, jurors
found.

**The trustees exhibited
chaotic and
dysfunctional behavior
during meetings that has
hindered SUSD's
progress.**

**“The trustee behavior at the
meetings has been described as
watching your parents fighting in
public,” the report reads.**

Trustees frequently
overstep their
authority by managing
individual employees
and bypassing the
superintendent.

According to the report, some
trustees even asked for **specific**
administrators to be fired.

Trustees often file
frivolous complaints
against one another,
wasting district
resources.

Jurors found 17 complaints
between trustees that were
incorrectly filed. None of them
were upheld.

Public trust in the board has been **undermined** by inaccessible meetings and public comments, inaccurate meeting minutes, and the dissolution of board subcommittees, the report says.

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