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Subject:	Fwd: Advantage of Direct Interviews in Determining Compliance with CUP
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This is the email I sent back on February 12 to Planning staff on February 12 regarding Ms. Pascucci and the "Advantaged of Direct Interviews in Determining Compliance with CUP". I never got any feedback on this email (other than the claim from Alex to Heather that Ms. Pascucci was only working on the Oakland campus when co-instructor Young was reportedly absent) and the information that was provided by one witness that appeared to have some direct knowledge regarding Ms. Pascucci working directly on the Oakland campus during some days in this school year, while she was not being reported as a school employee on the lists provided by Bentley to Planning staff. In the meeting that Sue and I had with Bentley at the Neighborhood Liaison Committee in May, the Bentley CFO Alex Kopelvich appeared to be upset about this reported questioning regarding Ms. Pascucci and why she wasn't counted as working on the Oakland campus. Kopelvich thought I had interviewed a Bentley staff member apparently when it was actually a parent of one of the students in the String Program on the Oakland campus I had spoken with in front of my home in February 2016. This potential violation of the CUP staffing limit could have been evaluated back in February or subsequently and interviews conducted to determine if accurate or inaccurate information had been provided regarding Ms. Pascucci and whether she was working part-time on the Oakland campus, and if she was actually based in Oakland as she had been previous to my questioning I believe starting in 2015 why she was not being counted as an employee and reported to the Planning Department along with Ms. Young. Gordon Piper
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From: **Gordon Piper** <rgpiper33@gmail.com>
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Heather: In follow up to our email earlier this week regarding Bentley School and the employee count, there may be an advantage for City staff in conducting some direct interviews to determine accurately whether some of the individuals we've questioned are working on the Oakland campus and for how long. For example, this week there was a mother carrying a bass fiddle case walking to her car with her children. I felt the mother possibly might have a child that was taking lessons in the Strings Academy. I asked the mother if Ms. Pasccuci was teaching on the Oakland campus, and she indicated that Pasccuci was and apparently spent time at both campuses.The School might not admit that Pasccuci works at least part-time on the Oakland campus now, since that would result in the School being over the limit of 71 employees set by the Planning Commission. Further interviews with staff, parents or students might produce more accurate information than relying on just self reporting and self-interest reporting by Bentley in responding to our questions regarding the faculty and staff numbers and count.