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San Francisco Chronicle

Dear Editor,

I'm writing to you today regarding the article published in this morning's edition of the San Francisco Chronicle entitled "[CCSF instructors confront pay mystery: Records show errors of up to \\$360,000.](#)"

We repeatedly cautioned your reporter that any financial numbers we provided in response to the Chronicle's FOIA requests surrounding load banking were preliminary, and were still being reconciled through a detailed and complex internal review process. Your article includes no mention of this fact.

We also offered your reporter a meeting between the Chronicle and our financial experts, including with the independent auditor that [compiled the report](#) that was the basis of the \$360,000 headline figure. This meeting was necessary in order to fully convey and explain the complicated nature of the load banking issue. Because your reporter would not wait for this meeting, your article lacks basic and important contextual information, and concludes that the solution will come in the form of monetary payments or repayments in large sums. This is factually inaccurate, as we are still in the process of determining how this reconciliation will take place.

And what is perhaps most disturbing is that the *Chronicle* reporter approached members of our faculty about these workload balances that are not yet final— leaving our faculty with the belief that they could be required to pay back hundreds of thousands of dollars. This behavior can be viewed as irresponsible as best. Unfortunately, the paper's story lacks important context in order to reflect the true nature of the situation.

Thank you,

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