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Dwyer to Moderate Education Funding Town Hall, October 18

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Diane Dwyer was one of the moderators at the last California Independent Film Festival. Photo LW archive

Orindans and other Lamorinda residents will have a critical opportunity October 18 to get up close and personal with Propositions 30 and 38 - the competing education funding ballot proposals which have been causing confusion among even the most well informed of California's voters.

Sponsored by the Educational Foundation of Orinda (EFO), the Education Funding Town Hall will be moderated by Diane Dwyer, the weekend anchor for NBC Bay Area News. Dwyer, a Bay Area native and graduate of the University of California, Berkeley, is the mother of two Orinda school children.

Town Hall attendees will learn about the history behind school funding in California and explore the key elements of Propositions 30 and 38 before hearing from a panel of experts, including Dr. Joe Jaconette, Superintendent of the Orinda Union School District, and Acalanes Union High School District Superintendent John Nickerson. According to EFO's web site, the panel will speak directly to the implications of the two propositions to our local school districts should they pass or not pass.

Those with specific questions about the individual ballot proposals and how those proposals might impact Orinda's schools are encouraged to submit their questions in advance to EFO's leadership.

The program will be held in the Auditorium of the Orinda Library, and will open with a reception and live music performance by Orinda school children at 7 p.m. The town hall portion of the event will begin at 7:30 p.m. For details, visit:

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