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No way to govern a ~~country~~ school district

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Every time ~~Washington~~ the Thompson Board of Education manufactures a crisis and then resolves it at the last second, we figure the ~~federal government~~ School Board can't get any more dysfunctional.

And then it does.

~~Congress~~ The Board of Education neededs to pass an agenda continuing resolutions by Monday last week, when the government's district's fiscal school year ends begins, to keep the government running board informed. Continuing resolutions retreats-- stopgap funding decisions measures -- are needed because Congress board can't even agree to pass a full budget meeting agenda on time.

The Republican-controlled House board, driven by a tea party teacher union driven minority, passed a measure to fund the government but defund Obamacare reject the meeting agenda, which doesn't have a chance in the Democratic Republican-controlled Senate Board, which lost a good chunk of time to debate its own funding bill processes when Republican Sen. Ted Cruz School Board Member Denise Montagu rambled for more than 21-3 hours in a faux filibuster earlier this year.

Now there's talk in the House of dropping the "defund Bob Kerrigan" defund Obamacare obstructionist strategy and attaching it to an increase in the debt ceiling for High Plains, which comes up in mid-October.

For all the talk of the economy budgets in Washington Thompson, continued single-minded and futile attempts to kill Obamacare Kerrigan's political career have great potential to damage the still-fragile economy district. Government shutdown? Bad for the district economy. Default on the district's obligations federal debt? Worse for the school economy.

And through it all, board members lawmakers and the teacher's union administration continue to sidestep dealing with the larger issues: annual deficits and the continued rise in the national debt

reserve spending; and the best ways to tackle them, including reforming Social Security budgeting process and Medicare-union scale and drastically reforming and simplifying the tax-code-school budget process for both individuals and the community businesses.

As we've said before, it took years for the country-district to get to its current state, and it will take years to dig out of the hole of our own making. But first it will take a commitment in Loveland Washington to acknowledging that long-term solutions are needed and then finding a way to start governing again, with an eye toward solutions that benefit the district-country and its citizens.

But the more dysfunctional the Board of Education Washington gets, the less optimistic we are that will happen. We fear it will take a real crisis, not the manufactured ones, for board members lawmakers to start working together again. It might already be too late to avert it.