

# SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES



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## Board Meeting Highlights

### Meeting of the Board of Trustees, April 22, 2019

#### Denim Day 2019

In addition to eleven Board Resolutions, the Board of Trustees passed a resolution recognizing Denim Day on April 24, 2019. Within the resolution, was a call-to-action to bring awareness to sexual assault, sexual violence, and rape on college campuses as well as in the community. The Board of Trustees and Chancellor are thankful to all who wore denim to bring attention to this important issue.



1. **Invocation by Trustee David Lang**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance by Trustee Barbara Jay**
3. **Reports:**
  - **Board Reports:**



**Trustee Jay** reported that she attended the special session with her board colleagues, district staff, and the MIG consultants to receive a status update about the data collection component of developing the Education Master Plan. Next, she reported on her attendance to several events, including the Swearing-in Ceremony for OC Supervisor, Don Wagner, the “South Pacific” performance at IVC, and the Board Policy Sub-committee meeting. Finally, she reported on her attendance to the State of South County event as the guest of Dr. Elliot Stern. She felt grateful to attend and was reminded that it is an honor to serve a strong and vibrant community. She gave thanks to students, faculty, and staff for all they do to make SOCCCD great.



**Trustee Jemal** reported that he attended several proclamation presentations in honor of Community College Awareness Month with the Aliso Viejo City Council, OC Board of Supervisors, and Rancho Santa Margarita City Council. He explained that the proclamation presentations were great ways to celebrate the excellent features of our colleges. He thanked the cities for recognizing what we do and is looking forward to the presentation in Mission Viejo on April 23. Trustee Jemal also reported that he attended the State of South County event hosted by Board of Supervisors Chairwoman Bartlett and that it was great to learn about all of the projects and activities planned in South County.

Finally, Trustee Jemal made a request to all stakeholders in the district to continue to think about the development of ATEP and to work on making more tangible progress in the near future.



**Trustee Lang** reported that he attended the special board session with staff and the MIG consultants to discuss the data and input collected in developing the District’s Master Plan. He also attended the annual Orange County Real Estate Luncheon in partnership with the Orange County Community Foundation. During the luncheon, he mentioned that there was a focus on veterans, and that grants were awarded to both the IVC and Saddleback Veterans Programs. Finally, Trustee Lang congratulated Dr. Bramucci on his winning innovative idea submitted to the Online College’s Innovation Challenge.



**Trustee Milchiker** reported that she attended several meetings and events, including UCI’s Center for the Neurobiology of Learning and Memory meeting where Dr. Suni Gandhi, the associate director, spoke about their transfer students. During the meeting, Dr. Suni shared that he considers it a compliment, when students say his class feels like a community college class—small, intimate, warm, accepting, friendly, challenging, but doable. Trustee Milchiker also met with the Marion Bergeson award winners to select this year’s winner. She mentioned that it was nice to catch up with the other school board members that she worked so closely with for many years. Trustee Milchiker attended two college plays— Stephen Sondheim’s “Into the Woods” directed by Scott Farthing at Saddleback

College and “South Pacific” at IVC. Both were incredible and beautifully done! Additionally, Trustee Milchiker mentioned her support of the Saddleback Day of Silence, the “One Book, One College” initiative, and her presence at the Disabled Students Programs and Services (DSPS) Annual Recognition Dinner and State of South County event. Finally, Trustee Milchiker reported on her continued advocacy work for the colleges and district through the Orange County Legislative Task Force and wished everyone a happy Earth Day!



**President Prendergast** reported that he attended the Tustin City Council Meeting to accept the Community College Awareness Month proclamation. He was thankful for the Mayor and City Council’s recognition of SOCCCD and the great work of the colleges. Additionally, he attended the special board session with his colleagues to learn about the data collected from the MIG consultants.



**Trustee Whitt** thanked all of the faculty and staff who have supported the “One Book, One College” initiative to read “beautiful boy” by David Sheff. With mental health issues on the rise, this book provides helpful insight and a relatable story about mental illness and addiction. Trustee Whitt reported that she attended several events this month including Orange County Supervisor, Don Wagner’s Swearing-In Ceremony, the State of South County event hosted by Chairwoman Lisa Bartlett, and the Community College Awareness Month Proclamation Presentation at the Rancho Santa Margarita City Council meeting. Finally, she announced that she met with the faculty and staff of Saddleback’s Health Science and Human Services Department and learned that they continue to engage in advocacy work to fight for clinical placements for nursing students.

- **Student Trustee Evelyn Hoang** announced that her term as student trustee is complete and that the April meeting would serve as her last meeting. She announced that the student trustee opportunity allowed her to advocate on behalf of students in Sacramento and in Washington D.C. She thanked Trustees Prendergast, Jemal, and Milchiker for serving as mentors and trusted advisors during her term. Finally, she encouraged the next student trustee to enjoy the experience and wished her well in the future role.
- **Chancellor’s Report: Chancellor Kathleen Burke** reported on the information received during the Orange County 2020 Vote Center Planning Update on April 16. She provided information about the new components of voting in Orange County, including the new requirement that poll workers must serve as paid staff instead of volunteers. Chancellor Burke mentioned that working at the voting centers could be great opportunities for our students and that she will share additional information as it becomes available. Chancellor Burke also provided a [written report](#) to the board.
- **Irvine Valley College President’s Report: President Glenn Roquemore** extended congratulatory remarks to Nancy Montgomery, Assistant Dean of Health, Wellness, and Veterans Services at IVC, for the coverage received in the OC Register about the success of our student veterans. President Roquemore also wished Evelyn Hoang much success in her future endeavors and thanked her for her service to the Board of Trustees. President Roquemore also shared that the IVC community is hurting from the loss of faculty member, Colin McCaughey—may he rest in peace. President Roquemore provided additional information to the board in his [written report](#).
- **Saddleback College President’s Report: President Elliot Stern** announced that Saddleback College’s Child Development Center (CDC) is the recipient of a Department of Education (DOE) grant for \$114,000 every year, for four years. The grant will increase the number of families with access to childcare within the Saddleback College community. Secondly, President Stern announced that they reached a new record of fall enrollment for the Emeritus Institute with 6,500 emeritus students enrolled. Dr. Stern also provided additional information in his [written report](#) to the board.
- **Irvine Valley College ASG President Matthew Rosbrough** announced that the annual allocations for the budget have been complete with 109 requests. Although the ASG was unable to fulfill every request, there are more funds allocated toward clubs than in years prior. Secondly, it was announced that ASG Awareness Day “Spring Into Action” is quickly approaching and will provide students with face-to-face interaction with club representatives. It was reported that the IVC ASG is working with the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) to implement the College Pass program. This program will allow students to ride OCTA buses for free with a student ID. Finally, it was announced that the IVC ASG has finalized ASG elections, is working on a community garden, and recently completed mental health ally training for ASG leaders.
- **Saddleback College ASG President Perry Meade** reported that ASG leaders attended the Student Senate meeting in Sacramento and voted on several resolutions on topics that address elections, student fees, and housing and food insecurity. Next, the ASG took a leadership role in implementing a campus-wide survey to assess housing insecurity. The results of the survey will be presented in June or July. Additionally, ASG is in support of the one dollar fee increase for the health center, because they believe that the additional funds can help support some of the prevalent mental health needs of students. Finally, the ASG plans to travel to Sacramento in May for a Student Advocacy Day to advocate for bills that address college affordability.

#### 4. Discussion Items Presented

- Saddleback College and Irvine Valley College: Student Equity Plans – [PowerPoint Presentation](#)
- SOCCCD: Basic Aid Allocation Recommendation FY 19-20 – [PowerPoint Presentation](#)

#### 5. Consent Calendar Items Approved

##### (Highlight)

##### 5.2 SOCCCD: Resolutions Approved

- Evelyn Hoang, Student Trustee
- Classified Employee Week, May 19-25, 2019
- Dr. Mike Hoggatt, Professor of the Year, Saddleback College
- Rafaella Baker, Associate Professor of the Year, Saddleback College
- Fleur Fong, Emeritus Professor of the Year, Saddleback College
- Benjamin Mis, Professor of the Year, Irvine Valley College
- Mohamed Youssef, Associate Professor of the Year, Irvine Valley College
- Ida Stuart, Emeritus Professor of the Year, Irvine Valley College
- Community College Awareness Month
- Day of Remembrance: Armenian Genocide
- Denim Day: Sexual Assault Awareness
- Earth Day

#### 6. General Action Items Approved

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