

**SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Resolution No. 04-20**

**Reaffirm Authority of the Superintendent/President to take Any and All Actions  
Necessary to Ensure the Continuation of Public Education, and the Health and Safety  
of the Students and Staff at District Sites in Response to the Impacts of the  
Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic**

**TAKING INTO ACCOUNT** that on January 30, 2020, the International Health Regulations Emergency Committee of the World Health Organization declared an outbreak of COVID-19 a “public health emergency of international concern” (PHEIC). On January 31, 2020, Health and Human Services Secretary Alex M. Azar II declared a public health emergency (PHE) for the United States to aid the nation’s healthcare community in responding to COVID-19; and

**ACKNOWLEDGING**, that on March 4, 2020, California Governor, Gavin Newsom declared a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

**ACKNOWLEDGING**, that on March 12, 2020, California Governor, Gavin Newsom issued executive order N-25-20, that provides waivers or eases requirements for unemployment benefits and paid leave, delays state tax filings, readies the state to commandeer property, allows local agencies to hold meetings via teleconferencing, and local administrators to act quickly to protect public health; and

**WHEREAS**, that on March 13, 2020, the Superintendent/President, San Luis Obispo County Community College District/Cuesta College, under Government Code Section 3100-3109, proclaimed a Campus State of Emergency, based on conditions of peril to the safety of persons and property caused by COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, strict compliance with various statutes and regulations may prevent, hinder, or delay efficient actions to prevent and mitigate the spread and effects of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary for Cuesta College to prepare and implement measures to respond to the spread and effects of COVID-19; therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the San Luis Obispo County Community College District/Cuesta College Board of Trustees, **REAFFIRMS** the authority of the Superintendent/President to take any and all actions necessary to ensure the continuation of public education, and the health and safety of the students and staff at the District Sites, including, but not limited to: cancellation or modification of any activities, programs, or courses, including temporary closure of the District if necessary; provisions for alternative educational program options; and

**SUPPORTS** the provisions for leave of absence to employees with pay pursuant to Education Code sections 87765 and 88199; declaring an emergency and directing staff to serve in their capacity as disaster service workers pursuant to Government Code 3100; altering the approved District calendar; contracting for special services; protection of District property; and to make further declarations of emergency and to take emergency action as permitted by law.

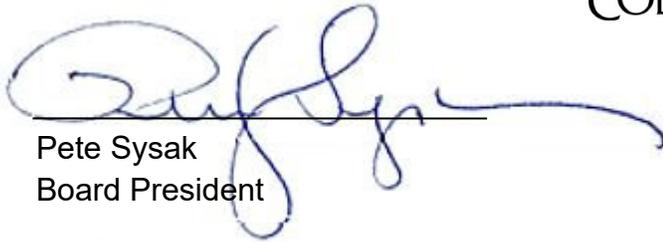
San Luis Obispo County Community College District  
Resolution 04-20, Adopted March 18, 2020, by roll-call vote;

Aye (yes) George, Mitchell, Mullen, Sysak, Strobridge, Backman (student advisory)

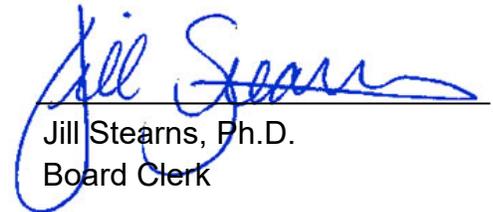
Nay (no) None

Absent None

Abstain None



Pete Sysak  
Board President



Jill Stearns, Ph.D.  
Board Clerk