

MONTEREY PENINSULA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-2017/48

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT AND COMMITMENT TO UNDOCUMENTED STUDENTS

WHEREAS, it is the mission of the Monterey Peninsula Community College District to be an open-access institution that fosters student learning achievement within its diverse community; and

WHEREAS, the Monterey Peninsula Community College District is committed to equal opportunity in educational programs, employment, and access to all institutional programs and activities; and

WHEREAS, the Monterey Peninsula Community College District strives to provide a welcoming and safe environment for all of our students; and

WHEREAS, uncertainty has arisen regarding potential changes to immigration policies that may negatively impact undocumented members of our campus; and

WHEREAS, the California Community Colleges are open to all students who meet the minimum requirements for admission, regardless of immigration status; and

WHEREAS, financial aid for certain undocumented students is protected by California state law; and

WHEREAS, the California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office has issued a statement of values and commitment to undocumented students to provide guidance to Districts regarding providing support to these students;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Monterey Peninsula Community College District security officers shall not question any individual solely on the basis of (suspected) undocumented status; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Monterey Peninsula Community College District shall not cooperate with any federal effort to create a registry of individuals based on any protected characteristics such as religion, national origin, race, or sexual orientation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Monterey Peninsula Community College District shall not release confidential student records, including information related to immigration status, without a judicial warrant, subpoena or court order, unless authorized by the student ~~or required by law.~~

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the Monterey Peninsula Community College District this 14th day of December 2016, by the following vote:

Ayes: Brown, Coppernoll, Dunn Gustafson, Johnson, Steck

Noes: _____

Absent: _____

Abstentions: _____

Rick Johnson, Chair, Governing Board

Dr. Walter Tribley, Secretary

Dr. Loren Steck, Vice Chair

Charles Brown, Trustee

Dr. Margaret –Anne Coppernoll, Trustee

Marilynn Dunn Gustafson, Trustee