

**EXCERPT OF THE MEETING OF THE
IMPERIAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

FEBRUARY 16, 2017

**Resolution No. 17187: Board of Trustees Stand in Support of Students from all
Backgrounds, Cultures, Immigration Status, and Religions**

WHEREAS, the Imperial Community College District (ICCD) is composed of a Board of Trustees, administration, faculty, and staff who support and value the District's purpose of providing high-quality educational opportunities for all students who can benefit from a higher education, without regard to race, ethnicity, heritage, national origin, immigration status, religion, age, gender, gender identity, medical condition, or disability; and

WHEREAS, the goals of the District are to educate students, to be inclusive and supportive of student diversity, and to provide an educational environment that protects students from pressures and intrusive actions that would disrupt or impair their education; and

WHEREAS, the District complies with federal and state laws and regulations, such as the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) that governs the privacy of student records, AB 540, and the California DREAM Act, which exempt undocumented students from non-resident tuition and provide other benefits; and

WHEREAS, the District supports the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program (DACA) that provides a temporary reprieve from deportation for students who were brought to this country as children; and

WHEREAS, the District believes that neither California nor the United States of America will prosper without affording respect, opportunity, and support to its diverse population;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the ICCD Board of Trustees supports the position of the California Community Colleges Board of Governors (Resolution No. 2017-01) and affirms its continuing support for the District's diverse student population, including students arriving from other countries in any status, and students representing a variety of religious beliefs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees directs the Superintendent/President to ensure that these students receive reassurance, support, and assistance in gaining a sense of security and well-being; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees supports the continuation of the following District practices: the ICCD will not (1) allow federal immigration officials on campus absent legal authority; (2) act on behalf of federal agencies to enforce immigration laws or aid in deportation; or, (3) share student records containing

immigration or citizenship status with immigration officials, absent a court order or other legal authority; and, (4) College Security will not participate in any voluntary program of immigration enforcement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees and the District is opposed to any federal effort to create a registry of individuals based on any protected characteristics such as religion, national origin, race, or sexual identity; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the ICCD heartily supports the November 29, 2016, request of President-Elect Trump issued by the University of California, the California State University, and the California Community Colleges that he announce his support to continue DACA, thereby allowing these students to better their lives and their communities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees directs the Superintendent/President to share this resolution with legislators, community leaders, and organizations, and urge the President of the United States to continue the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program.

Motion by Juanita Salas, second by Louis Wong.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Juanita Salas, Rudy Cardenas, Jerry Hart, Romualdo Medina, Karla Sigmond, Steve Taylor, Louis Wong

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a portion of the minutes from the meeting of the Imperial Community College District Board of Trustees.



Victor M. Jaime, Ed.D.
ICCD Board Secretary