

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
NORTH ORANGE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**



RESOLUTION NO. 11/12-03, Delaying the Implementation of the California Community Colleges Student Success Task Force Recommendations

WHEREAS, the mission of the California Community Colleges was outlined in the Master Plan of 1960 and included access to instruction and lifelong learning for all California Adults,

WHEREAS, this mission is being revised in the context of a State financial crisis and not to an identified change in the needs of the population,

WHEREAS, the North Orange County Community College District supports increased efforts to enhance student success,

WHEREAS, student success is measured by reaching educational and vocational goals, which may or may not include transfer, a degree, a certificate, or a career development/college preparation sequence of courses,

WHEREAS, the recommendations of the Student Success Task Force would eliminate state funding for courses for older adults, those seeking parenting skills, persons preparing for citizenship, and students with disabilities,

WHEREAS, student success is interconnected with student access and student equity and promoting success without consideration of adverse impact on access and/or equity would disadvantage many students whom California community colleges serve,

WHEREAS, in the North Orange County Community College District School of Continuing Education alone, 14,926 students would have been denied access to state-funded classes in 2010-11 had the Task Force's recommendation 4.1 been in effect,

WHEREAS, there is no analysis provided of the fiscal impact of implementations of the recommendations,

WHEREAS, the Student Success Task Force recommendations would deny many students the benefits of a community college education at a time when other educational resources are limited and without sufficient time to adjust to the new standards,

WHEREAS, community college districts have traditionally been allowed local control to best meet the needs of the communities they serve and several mandates in the Student Success Task Force recommendations narrow the ability for local control,

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the North Orange County Community College District Board of Trustees requests that the Student Success Task Force provide adequate time for evaluation of the fiscal and educational impacts of such major revisions of the Master Plan, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the North Orange County Community College District withholds its support of the Student Success Task Force recommendations pending revision, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the North Orange County Community College District Board of Trustees requests that the Student Success Task Force provide a detailed analysis of the cost of implementation of the recommendations, as well as the anticipated sources of needed funding.

AYES: Jeff Brown, Barbara Dunsheath, Leonard Lahtinen, Michael Matsuda, Molly McClanahan, Donna Miller, M. Tony Ontiveros, and Student Trustee Chris Sanchez

NOES: None

ABSENT: Student Trustee Jennifer Caspellan

ABSTAINING: None

Date Adopted: November 8, 2011



Barbara Dunsheath
Board President