

Whereas, the Peralta Federation of Teachers represents 1,076 faculty at Peralta Community College District, and

Whereas, the Peralta Federation of Teachers is charged with protecting the interests of faculty at the Peralta Community College District, and by extension Peralta students, which number at over 50,000 by last official count,¹ and

Whereas, over the last two years the leadership of the Peralta Federation of teachers has been steadfast in questioning the actions of the Peralta Community College District office and the actions of Chancellor Laguerre, and

Whereas, over these two years, there have been consistent e-communicues, “Board Watch” reports, and public comments from PFT President Shanoski and other PFT leaders at every board meeting that call into question issues of spending, revenue distribution to the colleges, conditions of college facilities, the spending of the parcel tax, our bond measure, and

Whereas, the Peralta Federation of Teachers has remained steadfast in its opposition to Chancellor Laguerre’s numerous interim appointments of administrators, in violation of AP 7123,² and

Whereas, as noted throughout the various forms of membership communication, the Peralta Federation of Teachers has identified countless times in which the chancellor has failed to avail himself of the participatory governance process, in tacit violation of the California Education Code, Section 70901,³ and

Whereas, the recent actions by the District Academic Senate, Faculty Senates of College of Alameda and Merritt College exploring the possibility of a “No Confidence” vote, as well as Laney College and Berkeley City College Faculty Senates recent voting and passage of a No Confidence statement for Chancellor Jowel Laguerre is in keeping with the charge of academic senates, and ensures the professional health of faculty and, by extension, our students. Therefore,

Be it RESOLVED, that the Peralta Federation of Teachers welcomes and supports the passage of no confidence votes in Chancellor Jowel Laguerre at both Laney College and Berkeley City College and encourages the efforts of the Peralta Community College District Academic Senate, Merritt College and College of Alameda to continue their serious exploration of a vote of no confidence, as it is in the best interests of the faculty, staff and students of the Peralta Colleges.

Be it FURTHER RESOLVED the PFT appeals to the Peralta Board of Trustees that their considerations of future leadership be determined by their commitment to the values and principles that Peralta faculty, staff, and students honor and revere.

¹ California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office MIS Data Mart, https://datamart.cccco.edu/Students/Student_Term_Annual_Count.aspx; accessed 2/8/19

² Shanoski, Jennifer, PFT e-communicue, Vol. IX.v, 1/23/2018

³ California Legislative Information, http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?lawCode=EDC§ionNum=70901; accessed 2/8/19