

RESOLUTION NO. 1019

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
GAVILAN JOINT COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT IN
SUPPORT OF UNDOCUMENTED STUDENTS AND AFFIRMING
THE PRIVACY OF STUDENT RECORDS**

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

WHEREAS, the Mission of Gavilan College is to cultivate “learning and personal growth in students of all backgrounds”; the Philosophy of Gavilan College states the college is “dedicated to fulfill its mission with compassion, caring and understanding and holds, in high regard, the respect and worth of all individuals”; and in its Principles of Community, Gavilan College aspires to be Diverse, Open, Purposeful and Just with a commitment to “respect for individual dignity and equitable access to resources, recognition and security”; and

WHEREAS, these ideals are echoed in the California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office Statement of Values and Commitment to Undocumented Students, which states that “All people have the opportunity to reach their full educational potential,” “The Colleges embrace diversity in all its forms,” and “All people have the right to access quality education”; and

WHEREAS, Gavilan College will comply with and enforce the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) which prohibits the release of any personally identifiable student education records, including data related to immigration status, without a judicial warrant, subpoena or court order, unless authorized by the student or required by law,;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Gavilan Joint Community College District and its Board of Trustees stand united in continuing to provide a safe environment for all students who choose to better their lives through education; and consistent with existing law, that the District shall not detain or question any individual solely on the basis of undocumented immigration status, suspected or confirmed; and that the District, consistent with the California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office Statement of Values and Commitment to Undocumented students, shall not cooperate with any effort to create a registry of individuals based on legally protected characteristics; that the District shall take every means possible to protect the privacy rights of all students.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Gavilan Joint Community College District at a meeting of the Board of Trustees held on March 14, 2017.

AYES: 6 Members: J. Brusco, K. Child, M. Dover, W. Glines, R. Perez, L. Perry and I. Cueto (student trustee advisory vote)

NOES: 0 Members: _____

ABSTAIN: 0 Members: _____

ABSENT: 1 Members: L. Locci _____

I, Kathleen A. Rose, Ed.D., Secretary of the Board of Trustees, certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Governing Board of the Gavilan Joint Community College District, at a meeting of said Board held on the 14th day of March, 2017.

By:  _____

Secretary of the Board of Trustees
Gavilan Joint Community College District