RESOLUTION NO. 18-21550

A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD
PALOMAR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
PALOMAR COLLEGE, SAN MARCOS, CALIFORNIA

Initiating the Process to Transition from an At-Large Method of Elections to a By-Trustee Area Method of Elections

WHEREAS, The Governing Board of the Palomar Community College District ("District") seeks opportunities to increase voter involvement in the affairs of the District, and

WHEREAS, a by-trustee area method of election is considered by some to increase voter involvement, and

WHEREAS, the current electoral system in the District requires candidates to reside within the District and be elected at-large by all voters of the District, and

WHEREAS, in the by-trustee area method of election, candidates for the District Governing Board must reside within a specific geographic trustee area, and candidates are elected only by the voters of that trustee area, and

WHEREAS, Education Code Section 72036 allows community college districts to transition from an at-large election system to a by-trustee area election system, with approval by the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the Governing Board will commence the process to transition from an at-large method of election to a by-trustee area method of election in accordance with Education Code Section 72036(a).

2. That the District will hold four initial public hearings prior to Feb. 12 concerning (a) transitioning from an at-large method of election to a by-trustee area method of election, and (b) the composition of possible trustee areas.

3. No later than the Board meeting on February 12, 2019, the Board will establish the criteria for the possible formation of trustee areas, and a schedule of further public hearings with an estimated time frame of on or before April 09, 2019 for completing the process of designing trustee areas for the implementation of a by-trustee area method of election.

4. That the Superintendent/President or her designee is further directed to take all other actions necessary to implement this Resolution, including, without limitation, retaining necessary consultants, providing notice of the public hearings, and arranging for appropriate communications and proceedings before the California Community Colleges Board of Governors.
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the Palomar Community College District, County of San Diego, State of California, this 8th day of January 2019 by the following vote:

AYES: Evilsizer, Halcón, Hensch, and Miyamoto
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Deerfield

Mark Evilsizer, President, Governing Board
Palomar Community College District

Attest:
Nancy Ann Hensch, Secretary,
Governing Board
Palomar Community College District