August 19, 2021/MSJC Emergency Board Meeting

Re: Mandate of Covid-19 Vaccinations

Trustee Ann Motte/Area 4 – Comments

As an elected Trustee, I hold a grave responsibility to be fully informed regarding any specific vote I take that may have both negative and/or positive affects for our students, faculty, staff and visitors.

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As Trustee, I am obligated to consider all voices to be heard according to the 1st Amendment and to not hold any one voice higher than another. In light of this, I have considered both the Riverside County Covid-19 Data information provided to the board at the August 12, 2021 meeting and the public comments and emails presented at that meeting relative to a Board Vote to Mandate Covid-19 Vaccinations at our institution. Here are my concerns:

- I am not "Anti-Vaccine". However I am not a medical person and have no science and/or medical background that provides me the confidence to mandate a newly developed mRNA Gene Therapy Vaccine that is under Emergency Use Authorization. I sincerely believe that all represented personnel have the right to choose to accept this vaccine according to their own personal judgement and medical history.
- 2) In reviewing data, it is clear that the age groups represented at our institution are not at high risk of hospitalization and/or death by Covid-19. According to district provided information, the death rate for ages 18-34 in California is .000695% of cases. This information includes deaths attributed from the beginning of the pandemic. Another chart shows current US deaths per 100,000 population to be 1% or less and not increasing over the entire population of the United States.
- 3) According to VAERS data, there is reason to believe that severe and/or even fatal side-effects from existing COVID-19 vaccines are more common than reported.
- 4) There is verified data that many physicians are now treating patients in early stages of the infection with successful therapeutics (i.e., Ivermectin, Remdesivir, Monoclonal Antibodies, Dexamethasone, Hydroxychloroquine) keeping patients from hospitalization and death.

Over the course of the last 18 months and specifically regarding information provided by the CDC (Dr.'s Fauci and Walensky) I find it alarming that many acclaimed physicians, scientists, and physician senators having differing opposing views re the vaccine science and use of successful therapeutics in the treatment of COVID-19, have had their U-Tube video lectures, twitter accounts and/or interviews censored by Big Tech. Once censorship and these mandates become widely accepted government gains far too much power over the people.

It is my position today that taking a board action to mandate vaccinations at MSJC at an "Emergency Meeting", two days after a published article in the Press Enterprise (8/16/21) states "There is currently no vaccine mandate at the college" is disingenuous.

In summary, I am opposed to a Vaccine Mandate at MSJC and recommend that MSJC continue to monitor state and county guidance related to COVID-19 and allow our employees and students the right to informed consent.