

RESOLUTION NO. 25/26-206

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE PERALTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE CALIFORNIA PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND
TRAINING PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Peralta Community College District (“District”) Board of Trustees (“Board”) is committed to providing a safe, secure, and supportive learning and working environment for students, employees, and visitors across Berkeley City College, College of Alameda, Laney College, Merritt College, and the District Service Center; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the foregoing commitment, the District is undertaking a comprehensive transformation of its public safety operations through the establishment and implementation of a Department of Community Safety grounded in professionalism, accountability, transparency, equity, and compliance with applicable law; and

WHEREAS, in the Spring of 2024, listening sessions were organized and surveys were disseminated to gather input from, and to understand, the District community’s thoughts regarding safety; and

WHEREAS, participants noted the desire for well-lit campuses with modern security infrastructure, clear safety resources, clean, well-maintained spaces, and visible and reliable presence of trained personnel; and

WHEREAS, in response to the solicited community input, and through shared governance, the Holistic Safety & Wellness committee and the Planning and Budget Committee recommends the holistic, hybrid Community Safety Model to meet the District’s needs; and

WHEREAS, the District’s holistic, hybrid Community Safety Model will be a trauma-informed, culturally responsive, and equity-driven model that operates through a three-tiered response framework; and

WHEREAS, California Education Code section 72330 authorizes a community college district to establish a community college police department and to employ personnel as necessary to enforce the law on or near the campuses of the community college and on or near other grounds or properties owned, operated, controlled, or administered by the district; and

WHEREAS, Education Code section 72330 further provides that employees of a community college police department may be sworn peace officers as defined in California Penal Code sections 830 through 832.18, subject to applicable statutory and regulatory requirements; and

WHEREAS, the California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (“Commission”) establishes minimum selection, training, and professional standards for

California peace officers and public safety dispatchers pursuant to California Penal Code section 13500 et seq. (the "POST Program"); and

WHEREAS, to be eligible for participation in the POST Program, the District shall agree to comply with and continue to adhere to minimum selection and training standards and all Commission regulations; and

WHEREAS, participation in the POST Program promotes consistent statewide training standards, ethical practices, professional accountability, and access to regional information-sharing and law-enforcement coordination; and

WHEREAS, the District is a public California Community College District and accepts responsibility for ensuring that the District complies with and continues to adhere to minimum selection and training standards and all Commission regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to authorize the District's participation in the POST Program in furtherance of the District's commitment to professional standards, accountability, and continuous improvement in community safety services.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board hereby finds, determines, declares, orders, and resolves as follows:

Section 1. That the foregoing recitals are true.

Section 2. That the Board, hereby authorizes the District to participate in the California Peace Officer Standards and Training Program, as applicable to District public safety personnel.

Section 3. That the Board hereby affirms its commitment to comply with all applicable provisions of California Education Code section 72330, California Penal Code sections 830 through 832.18 and 13500 et seq., and all California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training regulations, and minimum selection and training standards for any positions or classifications subject to the POST Program.

Section 4. That the Board hereby authorizes the Chancellor, or designee, to take all actions necessary and appropriate to implement this resolution, including submitting this resolution and any related documentation to the California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training, consistent with District policy and applicable law.

Section 5. That the Board hereby declares that nothing in this resolution shall be construed to expand peace officer authority, mandate the creation of sworn positions, alter existing labor agreements, supersede Board policies, or bypass shared governance or collective bargaining obligations.

PASSED, AND ADOPTED this 10th day of March 2026, by a vote of the Board of

Trustees:

AYES: _____

NOES: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

ABSENT: _____

Louis Quindlen
President, Board of Trustees of the
Peralta Community College District

Attested to:

Dr. Tammeil Gilkerson
Chancellor & Secretary, Board of Trustees of the
Peralta Community College District