

**STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER, TRUSTEE AREA NO. 3
San Luis Obispo County Community College District**

PATRICK W. MULLEN Age: 45
Occupation: Appointed Incumbent/Governmental and Community Relations Director

Education and Qualifications: As a current Cuesta trustee, 23 year county resident, and former Cuesta student and Cal Poly graduate, I am committed to ensuring Cuesta College remains one of the premier community colleges in the state. I am working hard to support more stable funding for the college and to improve relations with faculty, staff and the community. I still have much enthusiasm and energy to contribute to educating our students and training future community leaders. My educational background includes a bachelor's and master's degree in business administration from Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo. My professional background of more than 26 years experience in management, regulatory and governmental permitting, media and community relations provides me with the personal and communication skills to help resolve conflicts and build consensus among diverse groups and perspectives. This combination of experience, dedication and skill will allow me to help build morale, teamwork and the programs vital to Cuesta's mission of life-long learning, education and job training. A father of three school age children, I also have a personal commitment to ensuring Cuesta remains a great college and valuable community asset. I ask for your vote on November 7.

s/ Patrick W. Mullen

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MARQUIS "MARQ" MILLER
Occupation: Businessman

Education and Qualifications: I appreciate the community college system; this is where my higher education began. Cuesta College is vital to our community and the growth of its citizens by providing the opportunity for vocational training and preparation for acceptance into the four year colleges and universities. I recognized that Cuesta College needs additional funding to meet its obligations. However, in my opinion, during this or future times of economic uncertainty it is fiscally irresponsible to place a bond on the ballot which will increase the taxpayer's burden. Your support will be a vote for me to do the following:

- Vote NO on future motions for general obligation bond measures
- Establish a fiscal budget watchdog committee
- Expand vocational training
- Develop a housing program for students and faculty at no taxpayer cost
- Establish a revenue raising/cost cutting program
- Ensure low cost education is available
- Continue a cooperative relationship with other Agencies

My public service as Director and Personnel Commissioner for the County Office of Education and Oceano CSD director coupled with my A.A., B.S. and J.D. degrees will be a guiding light to my path of leadership and fiscal responsibility in support of Cuesta College, its students, faculty and the Citizens of San Luis Obispo County.

s/ Marquis "Marq" Miller

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PETER J. SYSAK
Occupation: Police Chief Cuesta College

Education and Qualifications: Cuesta College has provided for over 40 years, outstanding educational and occupational opportunities for our community. This has been accomplished through the dedication (hard work) of the College Board of Trustees, Administration, Management, Faculty and Classified staff.

As your elected governing board trustee for the college district, it is my goal to see that these successful academic programs continue.

Our south county community will need additional educational opportunities and I will work in a supportive and collaborative manner to expand these opportunities.

s/ Peter J. Sysak

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MARIE "MAGGIE" KIERSCH
Occupation: Cuesta College Trustee

Education and Qualifications: My goal is to continue to be your advocate on the Cuesta College Board of Trustees.

With your support, I am committed to:

- Ensure responsible spending of taxpayers' dollars
- Maintain accessible and affordable education for all students
- Provide needed resources for classrooms
- Expand vocational training
- Maintain high academic standards
- Promote collaboration with other governmental agencies and private businesses

Currently, as your trustee, my experience includes:

-On the Local Level:

- President
- Vice-President
- Chair, Audit Committee
- Representative: County School Board Association
- Planning and Budget Committee
- Accreditation Steering Committee
- District's Interest-based Bargaining Team
- Student Housing Task Force

-On the State Level:

- Member: CA Community College Trustees' Board of Directors
- Commission on Educational Policy
- Commission on the Future of CA Community Colleges
- Advocate: CA Legislative Conferences
- Participant: Community College Leadership Seminar

-On the National Level:

- Delegate: Association of Community College Trustees
- League for Innovation
- Advocate: National Legislative Seminar

I take seriously the trust placed in me and will continue to work hard to be your voice on the Cuesta College Board of Trustees.

Your vote for Marie "Maggie" Kiersch will be appreciated.

s/ Marie Kiersch