JOE KALMICK
City of Seal Beach City Councilmember

As I complete my 8 years of service as a Councilmember for the City of Seal Beach, and as a board member for various agencies in Orange County, I still have the desire to continue in public service. I believe that the Coast Colleges Board of Trustees would be a great fit for the skills that I have developed. Working with my Council colleagues, we have produced a multiyear balanced budget, and our financial position remains strong. And as Vice Chair of the Orange County Fire Authority, I have had experience managing a $600M budget. In addition, working closely with Staff and the various labor groups, negotiations have yielded satisfactory results for all concerned. Therefore, I am confident that I can be a positive influence on the Board of Trustees in maintaining positive communications between faculty, staff and the Chancellor's Office.

I believe that education is the cornerstone of a strong society. The Community College system provides a quality education for virtually everyone. The Coast Community Colleges are a shining example of the benefits that they provide.

I have a B.A. in Psychology from UCLA and owned a small business in Seal Beach for 40 years. I am now retired.