COAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER TRUSTEE AREA 2

NAME: JERRY PATTERSON

OCCUPATION: Governing Board Member, Coast Community College District

Our community colleges are about student success. We accomplish this by: preparing and transferring students to four year universities; training returning veterans and students for careers in public safety, nursing, mechanical and technical jobs; and teaching them basic job skills in English and mathematics. I support good salaries for faculty and employees, our key to student success.

In 2007 Orange Coast College Students presented me with "Friend of the Students" Award.

I led the successful fight to save KOCE, Orange County's PBS television station providing educational programming and telecourses through Coastline Community College.

I chaired the public hearing where Huntington Beach, Westminster and Garden Grove citizens gave their views on building a Costco warehouse on Golden West College land. This hearing successfully killed the plan administrators proposed.

As President of the Board, I fought for a Trustee Ethics Code, and independent External Auditors to check and balance District Administration books for taxpayers and students. Your vote will help me stop Trustees from "double-dipping" their retirement/salaries for the same job.

Community college course work prepared me to graduate CSULB with distinction, and then graduate UCLA Law School with a doctor's degree. This personal experience inspired me to give back to our community colleges.