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NEWS

Board Appoints Dr. Andrew Jones to Serve as Chancellor

Costa Mesa, Calif. -- The Board of Trustees voted unanimously to appoint Dr. Andrew Jones of Dallas, Texas as Chancellor. Jones will replace the retiring Ding-Jo Currie, and will begin as Chancellor this summer.

“Dr. Jones brings a great deal of talent and proven leadership skills to Coast Colleges,” said Board President Jerry Patterson. “Dr. Jones definitely stood out in a field of well qualified candidates and our Board is confident that he will bring outstanding leadership to our District.”

“I am looking forward to working with the Board of Trustees and the Coast Colleges family,” said Jones. “I am excited to serve in my new role as Chancellor and work with the teams at the District’s three colleges.”

“As community colleges throughout the nation face challenging economic times,” Patterson stated, “we are confident that Dr. Jones will help to ensure that Coast remains a leader amongst the nation’s colleges. The community college system in Dallas is one of the largest in the nation and has many similarities to Coast.”

Jones, a senior college administrator for more than 30 years, currently serves as the executive vice chancellor of educational affairs for the Dallas County Community College District. He has previously served as president of the Community College of Baltimore County, Catonsville. His strong academic, student and community orientation stems from various roles: director of student special services; associate professor of adult and continuing education; dean; vice president for academic and student affairs; provost/professor of education; and, executive vice president for academic and student affairs.

Trustee Mary Hornbuckle noted that “the District will be well served by Dr. Jones’s leadership during this period of economic turbulence and ever-changing budget situation.”

Jones holds a doctorate in education and public policy from Temple University, a master’s degree in library and information sciences and has undergraduate preparation in economics from the University of Maryland.

Jones is married to Savannah C. Jones, Ph.D., and has two adult children, Dana (Michael) and Kyle and four grandchildren.

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The Coast Community College District is headquartered in Costa Mesa and is the ninth largest district in the country. The District's three colleges - Coastline Community College in Fountain Valley, Golden West College in Huntington Beach and Orange Coast College in Costa Mesa -serve over 60,000 students each year providing traditional degree and transfer opportunities, career and technical training and community programs.



Dr. Andrew C. Jones

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