



May 19, 2025

Board of Trustees Resolution

Irvine Valley College Manager of the Year Dr. Brooke Bui, Dean of Liberal Arts

Whereas, Dr. Brooke Bui serves as Dean of Liberal Arts at Irvine Valley College and holds a B.A. from Macalester College, an M.A. from the University of Minnesota, and a Ph.D. from the University of Southern California, bringing to her role an exceptional blend of academic achievement, leadership experience, and a deep commitment to student success; and

Whereas, Dr. Bui is recognized across campus for her professionalism, advocacy, and dedication to her team. She is admired for her calm and composed leadership, even while overseeing one of the busiest and most diverse departments on campus. Her attention to detail, follow-through, and ability to make sound, student-centered decisions have made her a visionary leader and a trusted mentor; and

Whereas, Dr. Bui has consistently advocated for equity and excellence, both in her leadership of the School of Liberal Arts and in her broader campus contributions. She played a key role in developing inclusive hiring practices through the President's Advisory Council on Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility (PAC-DEIA) Higher Learning Workgroup, and has been instrumental in expanding programs such as noncredit English as a Second Language (ESL), the English Language Center, and the Adult English as a Second Language (AESL) program, ensuring increased access and success for historically underserved students; and

Whereas, her support of staff and faculty is unparalleled. She mentors team members, sets high yet attainable expectations, and fosters a workplace culture grounded in trust, growth, and collaboration. From supporting equity initiatives for classified professionals to promoting student workers into permanent roles, she has elevated the IVC community in countless ways; and

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Whereas, Dr. Bui leads with compassion and integrity, showing care for her team not only as employees but as individuals. Her ability to connect personally while maintaining professional excellence has made her a beloved leader. As one faculty member shared, “She makes IVC a better place,” and as an alumnus put it, “She helped me dream more and become more”; now, therefore,

Be it resolved, that the Board of Trustees and the Chancellor of the South Orange County Community College District do hereby commend and congratulate Dr. Brooke Bui as the Irvine Valley College Outstanding Manager of the Year for 2025.

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