OHLONE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Trustees
FROM: Dr. Eric Bishop
DATE: August 11, 2021
SUBJECT: First Reading – COVID-19 Vaccination Mandate

Since March of 2020 Ohlone College has been working and teaching remotely as an effect of the COVID-19 virus. As the college anticipates returning instruction to campus, ensuring the safety of the campus community, including students and employees is of vital importance.

Since the release of the COVID-19 vaccines the college has encouraged its employees to receive the vaccination as they work on campus. More than 50% of all employee groups are fully vaccinated and those numbers are rising. At least one employee group is more than 90% fully vaccinated. We are encouraged by these percentages, but we must make efforts to ensure everyone’s safety as we anticipate having students return to in-person classes.

The college’s Return to Campus Committee, comprised of a cross-section of employee groups, has strongly recommended to the Superintendent/President that a vaccine mandate be put into effect for all employees, students and those doing business with the college in accordance with the draft Board Policy attached.

RECOMMENDATION

This item is for information and discussion for future action.