Jack Hill College of the Redwoods 19 March 2021

1.)

My name is Jack Hill and I am running for the office of regional affairs director for Region I of the Student Senate for California Community Colleges (SSCCC). Currently, I am a first-year student at College of the Redwoods in Eureka, CA where I major in political science. Some extracurricular activities I engage in that qualify me for this position include the following: volunteer at the Eureka Salvation Army; campus senator for my college's SBA (ASCR); communications officer for Region I of the SSCCC.

2.)

In order to ensure the success of the California Community College (CCC) system and its students, the Vision for Success prescribes seven core commitments to secure the above goal. In essence, these commitments are aimed at achieving the aforementioned objective by prioritizing the needs and goals of CCC students; using empirical data to continually enhance the quality of the CCC system's functions; working with system partners; and promoting thoughtful innovation and rigorous transparency within the CCC system.

Diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) is very important seeing that it ensures the SSCCC advocates for all community college students. DEI promotes the inclusion of students from all different walks of life and thus allows minority students' to be adequately represented within the SSCCC. In effect, DEI helps further the advancement of a more just and equitable system, which is necessary to secure the success of the CCC system and its students.

3.)

Regional issues affecting the lives of students that I am most interested in is an overall lack of representation at the state level. Before this term, Region I was inactive for two years, effectively depriving students of five CCC's representation. In essence, they were without an avenue to have their voices heard. Also, while Region I did elect officers this year and has (at the time of this writing) held a delegate assembly, we still have a long way to go before we are a sufficiently functioning region. Thus, my primary objective upon entering office would be to establish the regional infrastructure necessary to properly advocate for the interests of Region I's constituents.

a.)

As a resident of Northern California, I am aware of the unique problems that afflict community college students in our region that often differ from those of other regions. This knowledge and awareness is extremely important to the SSCCC Board of Directors goal of furthering the needs of all CCC students. Thus, due to my knowledge of the unique interests of Region I students, I am sufficiently suited to serve as a voting member of the SSCCC Board of Directors.