



GOVERNING SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

South Bay Regional Public Safety Training Consortium

Thursday, April 2, 2026

**1:00 p.m. – South Bay Regional Public Safety Training
Zoom Conference**

I. Call to Order

Dr. Jon Knolle called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

Present:	Dr. Jon Knolle (Chair)	Monterey Peninsula College
	Ms. Leslie DeRose	Monterey Peninsula College
	Mr. Vins Chacko	Gavilan College
	Ms. Wrenna Finche	Ohlone College
	Mr. Graciano Mendoza	Hartnell College
	Mr. Gerardo Ramirez	College of San Mateo
Staff	Mr. Lanny Brown	SBRPSTC
	Mr. Edward Flores	SBRPSTC
	Mr. Alan Soroka	SBRPSTC
	Mr. Michael Manning	SBRPSTC
Absent:	Mr. Jeff DeFranco	Lake Tahoe Community College
	Mr. Brad Deeds (Vice-Chair)	Lake Tahoe Community College
	Dr. Raymond Gamba	Ohlone College
	Ms. Danni Redding-Lapuz	College of San Mateo
	Dr. Pedro Avila	Gavilan College
	Mr. Paul Harvell	Cabrillo College
	Ms. Heidi Weber	Cabrillo College

II. Approval of Agenda (A)

III. Public Comment

No public comment

IV. Business Item(s)

A. Design and Approve Revised Recruitment and Selection Process for President/CEO (A)

Dr. Jon Knolle advised that at the Special Meeting on March 12, 2026, the JPA Board approved the decision to cancel interviewing the final three applicants for President/CEO scheduled for the day and restarting the search process.

The following were nominated for the new hiring sub-committee:

- Dr. Jon Knolle, Monterey Peninsula College – Chairperson
- Mr. Vins Chacko, Gavilan College
- Ms. Wrenna Finche, Ohlone College
- Mr. Ed Flores, South Bay
- Mr. Alan Soroka, South Bay
- TBD; College HR team or Consultant to assist with the process

Mr. Lanny Brown also recommended that the job announcement that was reviewed during the last meeting be distributed to the new subcommittee for final review/editing before posting.

Motion: Mr. Vins Chacko

2nd: Mr. Graciano Mendoza

Motion passes unanimously

B. Hartnell College Notification (March 30, 2026) of Non-Participation and Withdrawal from South Bay Regional Public Safety Training Consortium (SBRPSTC) Joint Powers Agency (JPA) Effective June 30, 2026 (A)

Mr. Lanny Brown shared with the Board that on March 30, 2026, Hartnell College submitted an official notification of non-participation and withdrawal from the JPA effective June 30, 2026. Hartnell College has been a member of the SBRPSTC JPA for over 30 years. The notice provided by Hartnell College meets the requirements of Joint Powers Agreement Section 11.B. – Withdrawal.

The withdrawal of Hartnell College will result in a loss of 50 FTES, which produces approximately \$189,550 of revenue. The reduction in revenue will result in a corresponding reduction in needed public safety vocational training.

Mr. Graciano Mendoza shared that this decision was based on the internal direction that the College is heading. Dr. Knolle thanked the Mr. Mendoza for representing Hartnell and for his partnership with the JPA. As always, the Consortium is open to receiving additional FTES from the other supporting colleges.

Mr. Ed Flores also thanked Hartnell College and for their flexibility of using paper applications to register students, specifically when it came to registration of Conference attendees.

Motion: Ms. Wrenna Finche

2nd: Dr. Jon Knolle

Motion passes unanimously

V. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.