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Dear Colleagues, Friends, and Community,

After an extensive and highly competitive search process, I am pleased to announce that Dr. Pamela Ralston has been selected as SBCC's permanent Executive Vice President of Educational Programs.

Dr. Ralston has extensive experience in higher education. After teaching several years for the University of Washington as a faculty lecturer, Dr. Ralston became a tenured faculty member in 2003 at Tacoma Community College, teaching English composition, reading, and literature, and eventually becoming the division chair. In 2008, Dr. Ralston accepted a Dean's position at Cuesta College, overseeing the Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences. From 2016 until June 2018, she held the position of Vice President of Student Learning at College of the Desert, overseeing all educational programs at the college. For the last six months, Dr. Ralston has been the Interim Executive Vice President of Educational Programs for us here at SBCC.

Dr. Ralston has a bachelor's degree in English Literature from the University of Oregon, a master's degree in comparative Literature from the University of Washington, and a PhD in Comparative Literature and Cultural Studies also from the University of Washington.

Dr. Ralston commented that, "Joining Santa Barbara City College as the permanent Executive Vice President is an enormous privilege. I have followed the successes of Santa Barbara City College since arriving in the California Community College system ten years ago. I jumped at the opportunity to serve as the interim in June, and accepting this role on a permanent basis is a great joy."

Dr. Ralston assumes her role and duties immediately as SBCC's permanent Executive Vice President of Educational Programs.

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