

# Victorville: Brady may face censure

Trustee accused of misusing VVC logo in fundraising mailer

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VICTORVILLE • A committee formed on the Victor Valley College Board plans to consider censuring trustee Joseph W. Brady at tonight's board meeting.

The move stems from a Republican political fundraiser recently held by Brady. The designs on fundraising materials at the political luncheon too closely resembled the Victor Valley College logo, and Victorville Councilwoman Angela Valles reported it to school officials.

"It's a very misleading logo and it appeared that the college was either endorsing or funding this fundraiser," Valles said. "So I submitted a complaint to the school's president, because I know for a fact that there is a board policy against that."

The college board formed an ad-hoc subcommittee in response to the allegations. Its report states that the committee found the use of Brady's logo and wording "misleading and confusing to the public" and that the appearance of the logo and the return address implies that the mailer is authorized by the Board of Trustees and gives the appearance of official business.

The complaint states that if the board finds the committee's conclusion to be true, Brady will be subject to a censure, which is an official expression of disapproval.

Brady said he's done nothing wrong and believes the complaint is a political vendetta. He said Valles dislikes him for a number of reasons.

"It's just a part of their political agenda," Brady said. "There's more to this but I believe that the public sees through it. Who actually thinks that the Victor Valley Community College District would pay for my fundraiser?"

Brady said he and his lawyer, Diana Carloni, will fight the allegations until the very end.

"This is nothing more than a pure distraction," Brady said. "Why waste time on a letter?"

Meetings are open to the public. Tonight's meeting will be held in the boardroom of the VVC Administration Building at 6 p.m.

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