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Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee 3rd Annual Report

MODESTO, CA – The Yosemite Community College District's (YCCD) Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee Chairperson Richard York, presented the third Annual Report to the YCCD Board of Trustees at their October Board meeting. The Annual report can viewed at http://www.yosemite.edu/bond/committee/

The highlights of the Annual Report include completion of the Modesto Junior College (MJC) Auditorium – a 54,527 square foot facility that accommodates new theater, radio, television, film and performance spaces equipped with state-of-the-art technology; and two groundbreakings at Columbia College for the Public Safety Building and Child Development Center.

Projects in 2009 include:

At Columbia College, in addition to the Child Development Center and Public Safety Center; Madrone building modernization, Science Natural Resources, bike lanes and pedestrian paths. At MJC, a 455-stall surface parking lot, Student Services building, Agriculture projects, Allied Health Life Sciences building, softball complex and Science Community Center projects should all see progress. In addition, the District is aggressively looking to acquire land for its four outreach areas: Stanislaus County's West Side, Oakdale, Turlock and Calaveras County.

Positions open on CBOC:

Applications are currently being accepted for membership on the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee. The following CBOC vacancies are available: MJC Student representative, Columbia College Student representative, and College Support Organization representative (Foundation members would be eligible). Forms can be obtained from the YCCD Chancellor's Office by calling (209)575-6960.

YCCD's Bond Measure E is a \$326.1 million bond measure passed in November 2004 for improvements at Columbia College, Modesto Junior College, and the expansion of college education centers. The primary function of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee is to inform the public regarding the use of these public bond funds, to review expenditures and to prepare an Annual Report. The Committee posts minutes, agendas and supporting documents on its website. The public is invited to attend each quarterly meeting.