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Rojas and Martin Elected Board Chair and Vice Chair at YCCD

MODESTO, CA – The Yosemite Community College District (YCCD) Board of Trustees elected Trustee Abe Rojas of Turlock as the new YCCD Board Chair through November 2016 at its annual organizational meeting on December 9, 2015. Rojas served on the YCCD Board in 1988 and again since 1996 representing YCCD Trustee Area 3, which includes much of the southern portion of Stanislaus County (including Turlock, Denair and Hughson) and portions of Merced County. Rojas succeeds outgoing Chair Don Viss of Waterford.

The Board also elected Dr. Lynn Martin of Sonora (representing YCCD Trustee Area 1, which includes Tuolumne County, eastern Stanislaus County and areas in Calaveras County) to serve as Vice Chair. Martin was first elected to the Board in 2010. In other action, the following Trustee appointments were made: Linda Flores to serve on the Association of Stanislaus County School Boards, Abe Rojas to serve on the Valley Insurance Program/Joint Powers Agency Board of Directors, Anne DeMartini to serve on the Great Valley Museum Foundation Board, Dr. Lynn Martin to serve on the Columbia College Foundation Board, and Mike Riley to serve on the Modesto Junior College Foundation Board.

The YCCD covers a 4,500 square mile area and serves a population of over 625,000, encompassing all of two counties (Stanislaus and Tuolumne) and parts of four others (Calaveras, Merced, San Joaquin, Santa Clara). Board meetings will continue to be held the second Wednesday of each month, with open session generally beginning at 5:30pm.

Photos are attached for media use

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