



converting at this time. Mr. Mitchell asked about continuing to work on the conversion process and on determining the cost. Dr. Fisher said that it would be appropriate for trustees to consider that discussion at the same time they determine their goals for the year.

Dr. Stroud also reported that Dr. Williams had attended a recent Senate meeting to discuss the technology administrative reorganization at MJC. He said Lynn Kubeck, CISO, attended as well and explained the process of selecting and implementing a new administrative software system at YCCD. Ms. Kubeck had encouraged faculty to participate in this process.

Dr. Stroud said faculty had scheduled a Faculty Hour for Friday, October 18. This meeting was to focus on the role of assessments and prerequisites to assure student success in line with the Excellence Initiative and to introduce faculty to the newly adopted accreditation standards. Kathleen Silva, MJC Researcher, will facilitate this discussion.

Dr. Riggs, on behalf of Columbia Senate President Morgan McBride, reported that the Columbia College/MJC Academic Senate retreat had been successful and provided knowledge about the budget. Discussions motivated faculty to work toward creating a more effective senate and they look forward to more collegial joint opportunities with the MJC Senate. Dr. Riggs reported that Ida Ponder had been elected Academic Senate Vice President for this year.

#### 14. 575 – Activities & Announcements

##### MJC Tolerance Events

Board Chair Mitchell announced the following up-coming events:

“The Legacy of Matthew Shepard” will be presented by Judy Shepard, 7:00 p.m., Thursday, October 24, 2002, at MJC Main Auditorium. Judy Shepard is the mother of Matthew Shepard, the young man that died after he was brutally attacked in 1998 because he was gay. She has made the prevention of hate crimes a life focus and speaks nationwide about what we can do to make our schools and communities safer for everyone, regardless of race, religion, or sexual orientation. Student and community discussion meetings with Judy Shepard are also being arranged on campus on Friday, October 25, with times to be announced.

“The Laramie Project” by Moises Kaufman is scheduled for 7:30 p.m., October 25-26 & November 1-2; 2:00 p.m. on November 3, MJC Main Auditorium. The MJC Theatre will present this deeply moving theatrical experience to coincide with Judy Shepard’s speaking engagement at MJC. The Laramie Project chronicles life in the town of Laramie during the year following Matthew Shepard’s murder. Kaufman and fellow members of the Tectonic Theatre Project made six trips to Laramie, Wyoming over the course of a year and a half in the aftermath of the crime and conducted more than 200 interviews with people of the town which resulted in this play.

"Love Makes a Family" Photo Exhibit will be held October 10 – November 2, 2002, MJC Art Gallery & Auditorium Lobby. Admission is free. "*Love Makes a Family*" is a traveling exhibit of 20-22 photos accompanied by text prepared by the Family Diversity Project. The photos feature gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people and their families.

MJC Transfer Day & College Night

Board Chair Mitchell reported that MJC will hold a Transfer Day & College Night on October 2 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and again from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on the East Campus Quad. There will be representatives from over 50 colleges and universities available to provide information and answer college-related questions. This event is designed to benefit all MJC students interested in transferring to a 4-year institution, as well as all area high school students preparing for college.

50<sup>th</sup> Annual Agriculture Open House

Everyone was invited to attend the 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Agriculture Open House on Thursday, October 3, in the Agriculture complex on East Campus. Student displays showcasing the various areas of agriculture studies available at MJC will be open from 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. A BBQ dinner will be served from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Tickets to the BBQ must be purchased in advance and are \$5 each. The program will honor the 2002 Honorary Young Farmer Degree Recipients.

3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Ethnic Heritage Day

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Ethnic Heritage Day will be held on October 9, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. on the East Campus Quad. This celebration of our diverse cultural heritage will feature music, dancing, displays and food from around the world. The event is free and everyone was invited to attend.

Baker Station Celebrates Grand Opening

In partnership with the U. S. Forest Service, Columbia College is officially celebrating the grand opening of the Baker Station facility on Friday, October 18, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Located 56 miles from Sonora on Highway 108, the 1920's facility was used for limited field work and instruction this past summer and will be ready for more classes in Summer 2003. Tours and presentations on the history of the Station will be part of the opening ceremonies.

Columbia College Calaveras Center Open House

Columbia College will host a grand opening of its new Calaveras Center at the Glory Hole location in Angels Camp. The event will be held on Friday, November 8, from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Along with a ribbon cutting and facility tour, light refreshments will be provided for guests. The event will be an opportunity to showcase the college's expanded classroom, now better serving residents of Calaveras County.

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Presentations/Updates

West Side Educational Offerings

Dr. Jim Williams, MJC President, expressed his enthusiasm for this initiative that addresses the need and plans for expanding MJC offerings in the West Side area of Stanislaus County. Just prior to this meeting trustees toured the Patterson site where this fall's

offerings will be taught. Dr. Williams explained that offering college courses on the West Side is not a new venture. For several years, courses have been offered at several locations. However, he explained that this initiative represents a more substantial physical presence on the West Side at a location that will evolve into an educational center. Dr. Williams shared with trustees a matrix detailing the courses that are proposed for the first and subsequent years of this program. These include a general education cycle, a basic skills cycle, a child development cycle, a summer enrichment program, and community ed/adult ed course offerings. MJC is in the process of sending letters to West Side school districts for the purpose of faculty recruitment. Dr. Williams also said that public relations and marketing efforts will be a multifaceted campaign that will include talking to service clubs and community based organizations, placing information in school district newsletters and local newspapers, and encouraging word-of-mouth promotion. The next step is a planning meeting with West Side Partners on October 2.

Dr. Williams introduced Dr. Patrick Sweeney, Superintendent of the Patterson Unified School District. Dr. Sweeney thanked the Board of Trustees for inviting him to speak and for holding the Board meeting on the West Side. Dr. Sweeney acknowledged and introduced key people from his district present at this meeting.

- ❖ Roberto Salinas, Superintendent, Newman/Crows Landing School District
- ❖ Rusty Howell, representing the Chatom School District
- ❖ Barbara Hickman, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
- ❖ Susan Scheuber, Board Member, Patterson Unified School District
- ❖ Bob Vizzolini, Principal of Patterson High School
- ❖ Steve Mangi, Assist. Superintendent, Administrative Services
- ❖ Kathy Wright, Patterson City Council member
- ❖ David Keller, Patterson City Council member
- ❖ Adrienne Channey, Parks & Recreation Dept. representative
- ❖ Judy Thorkelson, active community member and MJC faculty

Dr. Sweeney said he was excited about this new partnership which is providing an opportunity for students to go from pre-school to college close to home. He said this opportunity would result in a more college-bound community.

Roberto Salinas, Superintendent of Newman/Crows Landing School District applauded the Board for their foresight of looking at an educational center on the West Side. He also introduced representatives from his service area.

- ❖ Dave Reeves, Mayor of Newman
- ❖ Ferris Larsen, board member of the West Side Theatre Group
- ❖ Hardy Reeves, school board member
- ❖ Susan Mattos, publisher of the West Side Index

Several of the many representatives from the surrounding communities that attended the meeting expressed their appreciation, support and best wishes for the continued growth of this program.

Dr. Williams acknowledged MJC's team who worked very hard on this effort: George Boodrookas, Dean of Community and Economic Development, Dr. Bill Scroggins, Vice President of Instruction, and Dr. Wilma McLeod, Vice President of Student Services

Trustees thanked and commended everyone for their efforts and teamwork in expanding the MJC course offerings to the West Side.

#### Enrollment Update

The latest information regarding enrollment and other issues related to the start of the academic year were provided by Ms. Teresa Scott, Vice Chancellor for Fiscal Services. The preliminary data suggests that both MJC's and Columbia College's growth is up 9% from Fall 2001 to Fall 2002. Given the cap limitations, and limited state funding, spring offerings will be adjusted accordingly. Chancellor Fisher said that this growth is good news and the result of efforts by many. At a time of reduced state funding overall, keeping enrollment up is extremely important. Trustees asked about steps to avoid last year's enrollment projection problems at MJC. The Chancellor explained the process implemented to monitor enrollment data at the program, college and district levels.

#### State Budget Update

Vice Chancellor Scott described the budget signed by Governor Davis, including cuts for the state's community colleges, and its impact on YCCD. She reported that Matriculation funding is 71% of last year's, CalWORKS is 54% of last year's allocation, and staff development funds were cut entirely. Each college has adjusted their respective budgets to reflect these cuts. Ms. Scott said that part-time faculty equity dollars were received. How this money will be dispersed needs to be negotiated and we still do not know if these funds will be ongoing. Scheduled maintenance and instructional equipment money was provided at the same level as last year. Ms. Scott stated that although the State Budget was not as bad as initially expected, it is not good and we can expect next year to look worse. Dr. Fisher expressed her concern with the cut of staff development funds (\$78,000) and said she and her Cabinet are working on reallocating resources to restore these funds. Trustees concurred with this plan.

#### 14,577 Consent Agenda

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### Purchase Orders

A motion was made by Mr. Rojas, seconded by Ms. Schrimp, that the Board of Trustees approve the purchase orders issued from August 1, 2002 through August 31, 2002.

Janice Walker, audience member from Orange, CA, had questions on several purchase orders and Ms. Scott answered her questions.

The motion carried by a vote of 5 ayes and 1 abstention (Neumann).

A motion was made by Mr. Rojas seconded by Ms. Schrimp that the Board of Trustees take the following action on the remainder of the Consent Agenda:

- Acceptance of Gift - MJC      Accept with appreciation the following gift:
- a. Various books of assorted titles from Richard Anderson, to be used in the Library at Modesto Junior College.
- Special Appointment – Baker      Approve the appointment of Maria Baker to serve as a member for the ACCJC Evaluation Team visiting Crafton Hills College on October 29-31, 2002.
- Special Appointment – Williams      Approve the appointment of Dr. Jim Williams to serve as a member of the ACCJC Evaluation Team visiting Santa Rosa Junior College on October 21-24, 2002.
- Textbook Adoptions      Ratify the textbook adoptions which have occurred during the 2001-2002 academic year for Modesto Junior College.
- 2002-2003 Child Dev. Center Parent Handbook Changes      Approve the policy and procedures changes to the 2002-2003 Child Development Center Parent Handbook for Modesto Junior College.
- Project Applications/Amendments      Authorize the Yosemite Community College District to submit the following project applications/amendments and to enter into a contract with the appropriate donor agencies when the projects are selected for funding: **(Report #2064)**
- a. Customized Curriculum Design & Neighborhood Outreach Worker Customized Training - MJC  
Submitted to West Modesto King Kennedy Neighborhood Collaborative  
Agency share: \$5,000; Proposer share: \$0
  - b. Teacher Qualification Program – MJC  
Submitted to Stanislaus County Office of Education  
Agency share: \$70,304; Proposer share: \$0
  - c. Equal Employment Opportunity Registry - YCCD  
Submitted to California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office  
Agency share: \$350,000; Proposer share: \$0
  - d. Infant Center Facility - CC  
Submitted to Newman's Own  
Agency share: \$25,000; Proposer share: \$0

The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

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Personnel Items

Twenty-five personnel items were presented for the Board's approval. Mr. Mitchell pointed out that a name correction should be made to item 25.

A motion was made by Mr. Rojas, seconded by Mr. Neumann, that the Board of Trustees approve the following personnel items, as corrected.

- Howard McDonald      Approve the probationary appointment of Howard McDonald to the position of Custodian, YCCD Facilities Planning & Operations, effective September 13, 2002.
- Robert Reyes      Approve the probationary appointment of Robert Reyes, Custodian, YCCD Facilities Planning & Operations, effective September 9, 2002.
- Misty Hutson      Approve the probationary appointment of Misty Hutson, Support Service Aide (60%), Workforce Training Center, Modesto Junior College, effective August 28, 2002.
- Ben Riley      Approve the probationary appointment of Ben Riley to the position of Instructional Assistant I (40%), Adapted P.E., Physical, Recreation & Health Education, Modesto Junior College, effective September 3, 2002.
- Elaine Schuber      Approve the probationary appointment of Elaine Schuber to the position of Financial Aid Technician (48%), Financial Aid, Modesto Junior College, effective September 9, 2002, contingent upon funding.
- Carlos Pelaez      Approve the probationary appointment of Carlos Pelaez to the position of Custodian, YCCD Facilities & Planning Operations, effective September 10, 2002.
- Barbara Convery      Approve the probationary appointment of Barbara Convery to the position of Administrative Secretary, Student Success/Student Services, Modesto Junior College, effective September 23, 2002.
- Anne Duncan      Approve the probationary appointment of Anne Duncan to the position of Program Representative III (70%), Workforce Training Center, Modesto Junior College, effective September 3, 2002, contingent upon funding.
- Russell Rose      Approve the probationary appointment of Russell Rose to the position of Custodian, YCCD Facilities Planning & Operations, effective September 3, 2002.
- Ralph Torres      Approve the probationary appointment of Ralph Torres to the position of Custodian, YCCD Facilities Planning & Operations, effective September 3, 2002.

Alan Cover	Approve the administrative appointment (interim) of Alan Cover to the position of Dean of Agriculture & Environmental Sciences, Modesto Junior College, effective September 3, 2002 through December 31, 2002.								
George Baker	Approve the temporary appointment of George Baker to the position of Speech Instructor, Arts, Humanities & Communications Division, Modesto Junior College for Fall 2002.								
Tammy Vander Bosch	Approve the temporary appointment of Tammy Vander Bosch to the position of Speech Instructor, Arts, Humanities & Communications Division, Modesto Junior College for Fall 2002.								
Jill Johnson	Confirm the termination of classified employment of Jill Johnson, Program Representative I, Workforce Training Center, Modesto Junior College, effective September 13, 2002.								
James Bailey	Accept the resignation of James Bailey, Learning Assistant Tutor (47.5%), Student Success, Modesto Junior College, effective August 1, 2002.								
Catherine Bostwick	Accept the resignation of Catherine Bostwick, CalWORKS Job Developer, Financial Aid, Modesto Junior College, effective August 16, 2002.								
Tawn Schaffran	Accept the resignation of Tawn Schaffran, Career Development & Transfer Center Tech I, Counseling, Modesto Junior College, effective October 4, 2002.								
Maria Molina	Approve an increase in assignment for Maria Molina, Financial Aid Technician II, Financial Aid, Modesto Junior College from 47.5% to 100%, effective August 19, 2002.								
Donna Hale	Approve an increase in assignment for Donna Hale, Support Staff II, Arts, Humanities & Communications, Modesto Junior College from 75% to 80%, effective September 1, 2002.								
Lee Bailey	Approve an increase in assignment for Lee Bailey, Instructional Assistant, Photography, Arts, Humanities & Communications, Modesto Junior College from 75% to 100% and from 10 months to 12 months, effective September 3, 2002.								
Campus Security Officer I Increase in Assignment	Approve an increase in assignment for the following Campus Security Officer I staff, from 80% to 100%, effective September 3, 2002.  <table border="0" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <tr> <td>Victor Campos</td> <td>Serena Christy</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ron Edwards</td> <td>Brandon McCarty</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Richard Majtenyi</td> <td>John Murphy</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Kevin Tillery</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	Victor Campos	Serena Christy	Ron Edwards	Brandon McCarty	Richard Majtenyi	John Murphy	Kevin Tillery	
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Justin Spurlock	Approve a temporary increase in assignment for Justin Spurlock, Instructional Assistant, Media Services, Modesto Junior College from 50% to 100% as needed from September 15, 2002 to June 30, 2003.								

Eva Rivera-Jara Approve the voluntary reduction in assignment from 100% to 75% for Eva Rivera-Jara, Program Representative III, Planning & Budget, Modesto Junior College, from August 21, 2002 to June 30, 2003.

Dawnwyn Conway Gattey Approve the voluntary reduction in assignment from 100% to 60% for Dawnwyn Conway Gattey, Secretary III, Fire Science/Community & Economic Development, Modesto Junior College, effective October 1, 2002 through December 20, 2002.

Alfredo ~~Vasquez~~ Lopez Approve the voluntary demotion of Alfredo ~~Vasquez~~ Lopez to the position of Custodian, YCCD Facilities Planning & Operations, effective October 15, 2002.

The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

#### Discussion Items

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Mid-term Accreditation  
Progress Reports –  
CC/MJC

Chancellor Fisher reported that both colleges were visited by a team from the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges in the Spring of 2000. Each received full six-year accreditations with no interim visits, which is the highest accreditation ranking. Dr. Fisher said the evaluation teams did make some recommendations and each college established a "Planning Agenda." This consists of additional goals and activities set by the college itself. We are now reaching the halfway mark, and the colleges are required to prepare and submit a mid-term report to the Commission. Dr. Jim Riggs and Dr. Jim Williams presented their mid-term reports and recommendations to the Board of Trustees. Regarding Standard Three: Institutional Effectiveness, Vice Chair Neumann said that although progress has been made in this area, he is concerned with the measurement and assessment related to basic skills, course completion and transfers. Mr. Neumann hopes the hiring of the new college researcher will assist in looking at outcomes in a realistic way and provide appropriate data. The Chancellor said that we might already have some of the data Mr. Neumann referred to. Dr. Fisher thanked everyone involved in preparing the mid-term reports. She especially commended Drs. Williams and Scroggins for their work on this report after being here only a short time. Dr. Scroggins acknowledged the extensive work done by Professor Dean Tsuruda on this process. Trustees thanked the college presidents and staff for the reports. **(Reports #2065/2066)**

A motion was made by Mr. Allen, seconded by Ms. Flores, that the Board of Trustees approve submitting Modesto Junior College and Columbia College's Mid-Term Reports to the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges.

The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

## COMMENTS

14,580  
Comments from the Public

Janice Walker, resident of Orange, CA, followed up from last month on the issue of the fee charged by the district for copies of public records. She stated that Mr. Hallinan had asked that a copy of the legislation supporting the district's 50-cent fee be presented. Board Chair Mitchell and Chancellor Fisher explained that Mr. Hallinan asked that trustees get that information. Mr. Mitchell told Ms. Walker that that information had been provided to them by legal counsel. For the record, Chancellor Fisher stated that many years ago there had been a 10-cent restriction; however, that had been repealed long ago. Mr. Mitchell reiterated that the 50-cent rate is the Board's established rate for copies of public records.

Ms. Walker also asked if an answer had been provided to her question from last month's meeting regarding Ms. Flores' vote on Board agenda item 14,549-Board Policies Update. Ms. Flores and Mr. Mitchell pointed out that a clarification had been made on the minutes of the September 3, 2002 Board meeting.

Ms. Walker asked several questions on additional purchase orders and staff answered her questions. She also asked about the status of the Criminal Justice Training Center JPA. The Chancellor and Board Chair Mitchell explained that the JPA still exists, although it is somewhat dormant as negotiations are ongoing with the County and City to determine who will take over the management of that program. Dr. Fisher said no CJTC JPA meetings have been held since the last meeting Ms. Walker attended (May 2002).

Howard Coit, Purchasing Supervisor for YCCD, voiced his frustration with the requests for hundreds of pages of public records. He described the amount of staff time and wages spent to compile this information. Mr. Coit stated that 50 cents per page is a bargain. He also thanked trustees for making the decision to close down the firing range. He said its closure has made his work environment much more peaceful, as his workplace is about 300 yards from the range and the noise was quite distracting.

Pat Martin, YCCD Accounts Payable Supervisor, also addressed the issue of requests for public documents. She said the excessive requests take staff away from the daily business of serving our colleges and students and is certainly a misuse of public funds. She also shared with the Board the meticulous efforts that the Fiscal Services takes in providing accurate information. Board Chair Mitchell reiterated that the Board does not question their work efforts. Trustee Schrimp expressed her appreciation to Vice Chancellor Scott and her staff for the professional manner in which they carry out their daily work, along with the many requests for public documents.

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Comments from the Board  
of Trustees

Linda Flores expressed her appreciation for the opportunity to attend the ACCT Conference where the YCCD Board of Trustees and the Chancellor were recognized nationally for their efforts with

our Tolerance Initiative. (They received ACCT's national Charles Kennedy Equity Award.) She especially thanked Dr. Fisher for her commitment. Delsie Schrimp echoed Ms. Flores' comments, adding that ACCT should pay the Chancellor for all the work she does at these conferences. Ms. Schrimp said she participated on a panel on fiscal matters with Dr. Fisher, and she had the opportunity to attend other concurrent sessions.

Mr. Rojas commented that in the past some people have questioned the validity of trustees attending conferences. He stated he feels strongly it is important to attend state and national conferences.

Dr. Fisher said that at the December Board meeting, she would like to share with trustees the video that was prepared and shown at the presentation of the Charles Kennedy Equity Award. She said a press release had been distributed announcing this national honor.

Dr. Fisher thanked trustees for their flexibility in changing the date of the October Board meeting. The Chancellor was invited to Washington, D.C. by the Assistant Secretary of Adult Education to review some of President Bush's proposals for community colleges in the area of accountability and outcomes, which are very relevant to the conversations held earlier in this meeting. The date change made it possible for her to participate.

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Report Out From  
Closed Session

Mr. Mitchell reported that during closed session the Board of Trustees reviewed the evaluations for the Chancellor, Vice Chancellor for Fiscal Services, and Columbia College president. Based on positive evaluations for these positions the Board voted 6-0 to extend each of their current contracts one additional year beyond the current expiration date.

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Next Meeting

The next regular meeting will be held at Columbia College on November 13, 2002. Closed session will begin at 3:30 p.m. and open session at 5:00 p.m. in the Dogwood Forum. The meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

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Joseph P. Mitchell, President  
YCCD Board of Trustees

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Pamila J. Fisher, Secretary  
YCCD Board of Trustees