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YOSEMITE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
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YCCD Begins Process to Fill Board Vacancy

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MODESTO, CA – The Yosemite Community College District (YCCD) Board of Trustees will be filling the Trustee position vacated by Mr. Joe Mitchell, who died in a traffic accident on May 16, by the appointment process. Mr. Mitchell represented YCCD Area One, which includes all of Tuolumne County, a portion of Calaveras County (including Angels Camp, Murphys, and Arnold) and eastern Stanislaus County (including Knights Ferry, Hickman, and LaGrange). Applications are currently available and can be obtained at the District Office, 2201 Blue Gum Avenue, Modesto, Building 1300, Room 1313 or by calling the District Office of External Affairs at 209-575-6987. The District summer hours are Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Candidates must be: 1) at least 18 years of age; 2) a U.S. citizen; 3) a resident of the Yosemite Community College District Trustee Area One; 4) a registered voter; and 5) must not be disqualified from holding civil office by the Constitution or any law of the state of California.

The filing deadline for receiving applications at the Office of External Affairs is noon on Tuesday, June 24. The next steps will include a paper screening of the applications followed by notification to the final candidates by July 7. A special meeting of the Board of Trustees to interview finalists will be held 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 10 at the Columbia College campus. Since Mr. Mitchell recently was elected in November 2002, the person appointed to this unpaid position will serve until November 2004, at which time he/she would have to run again to complete the last two years of the term.

YCCD is comprised of two comprehensive community colleges, Modesto Junior College and Columbia College, with enrollment exceeding 27,000 students. The District serves six counties and a population of over 550,000. The Board of Trustees oversees a budget of over \$100 million.

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