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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 2013 at its annual organizational meeting. Rojas has served on the YCCD Board for 17 years, 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 Mike Riley of Modesto.

The Board also elected 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, Rojas, Riley, Linda Flores and Tom Hallinan were recognized for being reelected to the YCCD Board to serve 4-year terms through 2016.

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). The District’s two colleges, Modesto Junior College and Columbia College served over 28,000 students (unduplicated headcount) in the 2011-12 academic year. Board meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month, with open session generally beginning at 5:30pm.