

**MINUTES**  
**YOSEMITE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**FOUR HUNDRED NINETY-FIRST REGULAR MEETING**  
**JANUARY 11, 2006**

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The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Anne DeMartini at 3:30 p.m. Trustees then recessed to closed session for the purpose of discussing the following closed session agenda items:

- Discussion:
1. Pursuant to G. C. Section 54957  
Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Appointment  
Presidential Searches
  2. Pursuant to G.C. Section 54956.9(a) – Pending Litigation  
Case: ACE v. YCCD, Case #306771  
Case: Hutson v. YCCD, Case #376624
  3. Pursuant to G.C. Section 54956.8 – Property Negotiator  
Conference with real property negotiators
  4. Pursuant to G. C. Section 54957.6 - Conference with Labor Negotiators  
District Representatives: J. Williams, T. Scott, D. Wirth  
Employee Organizations: CSEA

The Board of Trustees reconvened to public session at 5:30 p.m. in the Yosemite Community College District Board Room. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag preceded formal Board action.

Board Members Present      Pat Dean  
Anne DeMartini  
Linda Flores  
Abe Rojas  
Delsie Schrimp  
Tom Hallinan

Board Members Absent      Paul Neumann  
Susan Rudolph (student trustee)

Others Present              M. Baker, G. Rose, J. Riggs, T. Scott, B. Scroggins, N. Stavrianoudakis, J. Williams, D. Wirth, C. Martin, L. Hoile, M. Miller, S. Stroud, J. Swank, J. Daly, B. Nadell, J. Pombo, L. Kropp, Y. Schemper, P. Scroggins, R. Hodges, C. Lovett, M. Newton, C. Mical, B. Michael, B. Sinclair, D. Campbell, M. Otaya, M. Kennedy, J. Johnson, B. Davis, R. Martin, G. Preston, G. Retamoza, M. Robles, D. Martinez, L. Anderson (Modesto Bee), S. Akiona (recorder).

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Report Out From Closed Session      Board Chair DeMartini reported that during closed session, the Board decided to retain the services of the Association of Community Colleges Trustees to conduct the national search for a new Columbia College President.

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Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Trustee Hallinan and seconded by Trustee Rojas, that the Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 14, 2005, as amended.

The motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

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Student Activity Reports

Jacquelin Pombo, representative of ASMJC, reported that The Associated Students are in favor of a parking lot versus a parking structure because it provides more spaces and is a quicker solution to the parking situation on East Campus.

The students asked if the Board could wait one more meeting to decide on the health services fee because a student survey was going to be conducted next week and they wanted to report the results. Ms. Pombo thanked George Retamoza and the Foundation for helping with Mary Stuart Rogers Student Center staffing needs and for the new PrimeShine Pirate Express.

There was no report from Columbia College.

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Academic Senate Reports

Curtis Martin, MJC Academic Senate President, reported that the MJC Academic Senate has not met since the last Board meeting. He thanked Michael Strangio and West Page, co-chairs, of the MJC Institute Day for an excellent event. He also thanked Bob Glatt and the student volunteers for the lunch food provided by Culinary Arts. Trustees DeMartini, Rojas and Dean were acknowledged for their attendance at Institute Day. MJC set up a Student Help Tent for the first week of school which was very effective and appreciated by students. Faculty members and staff wore "ask me for help" pins at the beginning of the semester to make students feel more comfortable. Students received assistance regarding directions to classrooms, waiting lists, book loan programs and other topics. Trustee Rojas commented that MJC's Institute Day was a wonderful event at the Mary Stuart Rogers Student Center.

Micha Miller, CC Academic Senate President, reported that the CC Senate held their first meeting during In-Service Day at Columbia College and focused on Basic Skills. Trustees DeMartini and Dean attended breakout sessions. The Academic Senate passed a resolution in support of the Academic Achievement Center. The Senate is reviewing priority registration for athletes because of student-athlete extensive travel schedules. The Senate has planned upcoming visits to UC Merced and Stanislaus State University.

**REPORTS &  
INFORMATION ITEMS**

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**Activities and  
Announcements**

**TRIO/ETS Programs**

Interim President Bill Scroggins announced the Modesto Junior College 2004-05 graduate statistics for the TRIO/Educational Talent Search programs. The programs served 125 high school seniors and 123 of these students graduated from their high schools, with the remaining two earning their diploma or GED. Out of the 125, 111 enrolled in a program of post-secondary education: 87 are MJC students and 16 went to four-year universities. Overall, the program had an 88.8% post-secondary enrollment rate for participating high school seniors. Congratulations to the TRIO students and staff members on their hard work and success.

**MJC's Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemoration**

Dr. Scroggins reported that Russell Means, a life-long indigenous rights and constitutional rights activist, actor, artist and author, will be the keynote speaker at the 2006 Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemoration on Saturday, January 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the Mary Stuart Rogers Student Learning Center on MJC's West Campus. Means will speak on "*The Value of Yesterday for Today and Tomorrow*". In 1969, Means joined an Indian rights group called the American Indian Movement and became the first national director of AIM. Means is a magnetic speaker that continues to address the civil rights issues of today. This annual event is open to the public and free of charge.

**MJC Annual Black History Month Luncheon**

Dr. Scroggins announced that the American Association for Women in Community Colleges (AAWCC) has scheduled the annual Black History Month Luncheon for February 2, at noon, in the Mary Stuart Rogers Student Learning Center. The event is open to the public and more detailed information will be available soon.

**MJC Financial Aid Workshop**

Dr. Scroggins announced that Modesto Junior College will hold a Financial Aid Night on Tuesday, January 17, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. in Sierra Hall, Room 132, on the West Campus. This is a major outreach event to prospective students. The workshop will target current college students or college-bound students. The workshop will offer an overview of the application process and the types of financial aid available, including a step-by-step review of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Financial Aid staff will be available to answer questions following the presentation. There is no cost for the workshop and no advance registration is necessary.

Art Exhibit in Columbia  
College Rotunda

President Jim Riggs reported that a three-person art exhibit will be open to the public in Columbia College's Rotunda through January 25. Painter William Fontana, ceramist Harry Nakamoto, and photographer Laurie Sylwester will have their works on display.

Alaskan Oil Drilling  
Documentary at Columbia  
College

Dr. Riggs announced that the award-winning documentary "Oil on Ice" will be presented free of charge and open to the public on Friday, January 13 at 6:00 p.m. in the Columbia College Dogwood Forum. Narrated by actor Peter Coyote, the film connects the fate of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge in Alaska and the conflict over drilling for oil there. The event is sponsored by the Columbia College Ecology and Outdoor Adventure Club and is part of the District's Civic Engagement Project.

Oakdale Survey

Dr. Riggs reported that as part of Columbia College's ongoing program to provide the types of college courses to help Oakdale area residents reach their educational and vocational goals, a short community survey was placed online and publicized in the Oakdale, Riverbank, Escalon, and Knights Ferry areas. Through the survey, data relating to personal educational goals and interests will be collected and used in determining future class offerings in Oakdale. Several Board members expressed an interest in receiving survey information and results from the Westside and areas surrounding Columbia College.

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Presentations/Updates  
Classification Study

Vice Chancellor of Human Resources Diane Wirth reported that five firms have been interviewed. The interview committee includes members from the Leadership Team and CSEA. It is anticipated that the final firm selection will be announced at the next board meeting.

Grant Development  
Update

Ms. Beccie Michael, Director of Grants, presented a summary of grants obtained and sources of funds for 2004-2005, as well as projected amounts for 2005-2006. YCCD's grant development and management activities continued to expand during the 2004-2005 academic year. Competitively funded programs increased at both Modesto Junior College and Columbia College. YCCD received over \$23 million in grants in 2004-2005, up from \$19 million in 2003-2004. A dip is projected for 2005-2006, which is projected to be \$17 million. The grants office went through a six-month period with no director in place. The Board commended the Grants staff, and Ms. Michael thanked Sounisa Lee, Deborah Campbell, Teresa Scott and staff at both colleges and Central Services. Interim President Bill Scroggins and Executive Vice Chancellor Teresa Scott commended Ms. Michael for her enthusiasm and excellent work and are thankful that she has joined the YCCD team.

Strategic Planning  
Presentation

*(This item was taken out of order and heard following the activities and announcement section of the agenda.)*

Mr. Bill Davis of WR Davis Collaboratives provided an overview of the YCCD Strategic Planning process and gave an update on the progress of the committee. Mr. Davis was retained to assist with the strategic planning process. Mr. Davis is a process consultant and facilitator who focuses on broad-based strategic planning methods and implementation and promotes an inclusive participation. Faculty Consultant Steven Stroud asked about participation by the Academic Senate. MJC Academic Senate President Curtis Martin voiced concern that Academic Senate has not been adequately included in the planning process and that any faculty member currently serving on this committee is doing so independently and not as a representative of the Academic Senate as the Senate has made no formal appointments. CC Academic Senate President Micha Miller is encouraging faculty at Columbia to participate in the planning process. Trustees DeMartini and Dean have volunteered to serve on the planning committee and encouraged faculty and staff to volunteer. Vice Chancellor Diane Wirth and Assistant Chancellor Gina Rose stated that Chancellor Williams has discussed the strategic planning committee and process with District Council and has encouraged participation and requested volunteers. Chancellor Williams stated that he gave strategic planning presentations at Columbia College's In-Service Day and at MJC's Institute and asked for volunteers on various occasions. Dr. Williams encourages an inclusive process and asks that individuals contact his office if they would like to serve on the committee. All District staff are welcome to participate. Faculty Consultant Stephen Stroud commented that he is pleased with the planning process and the goal of inclusiveness in the process. Trustees expressed appreciation for the good discussion on this topic and also encouraged staff to serve on the planning committee.

Bond Update

Chancellor Jim Williams reported that the Citizens' Oversight Committee met on January 4, 2006, and toured MJC's East Campus. Unapproved minutes of this meeting can be viewed on the District's website. The next meeting is scheduled for April 5. Recommended changes to the priority project list will be presented to the Board at the February 2006 meeting. Construction is anticipated to begin this Spring for the Columbia College Secondary (Emergency) Access Road, and one of the parking lots, with other infrastructure projects to follow. The MJC Auditorium project is expected to go to bid in the Spring. Progress is continuing to be made relative to property acquisition in Patterson for the West Side Center and in Angels Camp for the Calaveras Center. A team from the District met with a Turlock developer to discuss possible sites for an MJC Turlock Center. Kitchell representative Mark Newton also reported that the 1<sup>st</sup> draft of the bond Program Management Plan is available and on the colleges' and the District's website. A final draft will be presented to the Board at the February 15 Board meeting.

Maria Baker reported on the status of outreach centers. An additional evaluation is being conducted on a site in Angels Camp and an agreement has been forwarded to the developer in Patterson for the West Side Center site. Information about Bond Measure E can be found at <http://www.yosemite.edu/bond/>.

**ACTION ITEMS**

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Consent Agenda  
Purchase Orders

A motion was made by Trustee Rojas and seconded by Trustee Hallinan, that the Board approve Consent Agenda Items A and B, as follows:

Purchase orders issued from November 1, 2005 through November 30, 2005.

Project Applications/  
Amendments

Authorize the Yosemite Community College District to submit the following project applications/amendments (**Report #2185**) and to enter into a contract with the appropriate donor agencies when the projects are selected for funding:

- a. California Children & Families Commission –MJC  
Agency share: \$2,999,988 (four years)  
Proposer share: -0-
- b. California Department of Education – MJC & CC  
Agency share: \$3,690 (\$1,845 per college)  
Proposer share: -0-

Acceptance of Gifts

Accept with appreciation the following gift(s):

- a. That the Board of Trustees accept with appreciation a piece of artwork titled “The L’s” from Mark DiPasquale for possible periodic display at Columbia College.

Nonresident Tuition Fee

The Board of Trustees is required to establish annually a nonresident student tuition fee for the succeeding year. The 2005-2006 nonresident student tuition fee is \$151 per unit. The 2006-2007 nonresident student tuition fee must be at or between the statewide average expense per unit and the Yosemite Community College District’s expense per unit. Historically, the Board has adopted the statewide average rate for the following reasons: 1) The District rate is usually more than the statewide average rate, and 2) our neighboring districts normally charge the statewide average. A recommendation was made that the Board of Trustees adopt a 2006-2007 nonresident student tuition fee of \$160 per unit, consistent with the statewide average.

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Personnel Items

Accept the retirement of **Ross Aldrich**, Performing Arts Production Specialist, Arts, Humanities & Communications, Modesto Junior College, effective December 30, 2005, and officially commend him for 30 years of valuable service to the District.

Accept the retirement of **Doris Carper**, Library Media Technician III, Learning Resources, Modesto Junior College, effective December 6, 2005, and officially commend her for 9 years of valuable service to the District.

Accept the retirement of **Janet Newsom**, Library Media Technician II, Learning Resources, Modesto Junior College, effective February 3, 2006, and officially commend her for 6 years of valuable service to the District.

Approve the temporary appointment of **Lynn Richardson** to the position of Instructor of English, Literature & Language Arts, Modesto Junior College, effective for the Spring semester 2006 only.

Approve the temporary appointment of **Gladys Schmitt** to the position of Instructor of Nursing, Nursing Consortium, Modesto Junior College, effective for the Spring semester 2006 only.

Approve the temporary appointment of **Dawn Stout-Fernandez** to the position of Instructor of Nursing, Nursing Consortium, Modesto Junior College, effective for the Spring semester 2006 only.

Approve the temporary appointment of **Jesse Ray** to the position of Instructor of Welding, Technical Education, Modesto Junior College, effective for the Spring semester 2006 only.

Approve the promotional appointment of **Kristina Duarte** to the position of Financial Aid Technician II, Financial Aid Office, Modesto Junior College, effective January 17, 2006, contingent upon funding.

Approve the probationary appointment of **Catherine Gray** to the position of Child Development Center Master Teacher, Institutional Operations, Columbia College, effective January 1, 2006 (10-month work year).

Approve the probationary appointment of **Richard Giuffra** to the position of Custodian/Grounds, Facilities Operations, Yosemite Community College District, effective January 9, 2006.

Approve the probationary appointment of **Kendis Bettencourt** to the position of Support Staff I - Allied Health, Allied Health/Family & Consumer Science, Modesto Junior College, effective January 3, 2006, contingent upon funding.

Approve the probationary appointment of **Mary Debra York** to the position of Admissions & Records Technician II, Institutional Operations, Columbia College, effective January 17, 2006.

Approve a temporary increase in assignment for **Yia Vang**, Library Media Technician I, Learning Resources, Modesto Junior College, from 60% to 100%, effective February 1, 2006 to June 30, 2006.

Approve a temporary increase in assignment for **Leticia Senechal**, Curriculum Information Specialist, Instruction, Modesto Junior College, from 66% to 100%, effective December 18, 2005 to January 8, 2006.

Approve the voluntary reduction in assignment for **Leticia Senechal**, Curriculum Information Specialist, Instruction, Modesto Junior College, from 100% to 66% effective January 9, 2006 to April 29, 2006.

Approve the voluntary reduction in assignment for **Gabriella Rodriguez**, Child Development Center Teacher, Allied Health/Family & Consumer Science, Modesto Junior College, from 100% to 48.75% effective December 7, 2005 to June 30, 2006.

Approve the voluntary reduction in assignment for **Karin Rodts**, Laboratory Assistant I, DSP&S, Columbia College, from 40 hours per week (100%) to 36 hours per week (90%) effective January 9, 2006 to April 29, 2006.

Approve the voluntary unpaid leave of absence for **Andrea Porter**, Lab Assistant I, Business, Behavioral and Social Science, Modesto Junior College, effective January 3, 2006 to June 30, 2006.

Approve the voluntary unpaid leave of absence for **Kimberly Carter**, Program Representative II, Student Success/Tutoring, Modesto Junior College, effective January 3, 2006 to January 27, 2006.

Accept the resignation of **Laurence Carter**, Campus Security Officer, Columbia College, effective January 1, 2006.

Accept the resignation of **Jessica Raines**, Associate Teacher, Child Development Center/Allied Health, Family & Consumer Science, Modesto Junior College, effective December 2, 2005.

Accept the resignation of **Tina Giron**, Career Development & Transfer Center Technician III, Counseling, Modesto Junior College, effective January 6, 2006.

Short-Term Appointees

Approve the list of short-term appointees in accordance with recently adopted state law (AB500-Goldberg).

The motion carried with a vote of 6-0.



## DISCUSSION ITEMS

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YCCD Negotiations  
Proposal to CSEA,  
Chapter 420 – Public  
Hearing

The Board of Trustees conducted a public hearing regarding CSEA Chapter 420's counter bargaining proposal to the District. CSEA Chapter 420 previously presented its counter negotiations proposal for the contract which ended on June 30, 2004.

There were no comments from the public.

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Sabbatical Leaves 2006-  
2007

The Columbia College and MJC Sabbatical Leave Committees submitted their recommendations regarding 2006-2007 sabbatical leave recipients. The Committees' recommendations have been reviewed and approved by the College Presidents. Applicable Education Code sections require that employees who are granted sabbatical leaves either post a bond in an amount equal to the salary received during the period of the leave, or enter into an agreement with the Board of Trustees for the proportional repayment of the amount received during the leave if service is not provided to the District in an amount twice the length of the leave. The trustees were provided with copies of sabbatical applications for review prior to the meeting. Trustee Rojas commented that sabbatical leaves should benefit the District as a whole, and not just Columbia College or Modesto Junior College. Trustee Dean asked that the colleges provide the dates of any previous sabbaticals taken by faculty requesting leave. Trustee Dean also commented that some of the applications had poor presentation and typographical errors. A motion was made by Trustee Schrimp and seconded by Trustee Dean that the Board of Trustees approve 2006-2007 sabbatical leaves and the Resolution 05-06/04 for the following YCCD academic employees:

### **Academic Year 2006-2007**

Michelle Christopherson - MJC  
Gloria Coats – MJC  
Frank Drummond – MJC  
Michael Smedshammer – MJC  
Paula Clarke – CC

### **Fall Semester 2006**

Cecelia Hudelson-Putnam - MJC  
Dimitri Keriotis - MJC  
Laura Maki - MJC

### **Spring Semester 2007**

Allan McKissick - MJC  
Jill Ramsey – MJC  
Gabriele Steiner – MJC  
Tim Vaughan – MJC  
Laureen Campana - CC

The motion carried with a vote of 5-0. Trustee Hallinan was not present during this vote.

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2004-2005 Audit Report

*(This item was taken out of order and heard following the activities and announcement section of the agenda.)*

Executive Vice Chancellor Teresa Scott reported that the auditing firm of Matson and Isom has completed the 2004-2005 audit of the District's fiscal operations. The audit report and financial statements have been prepared using the guidelines required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). Copies of the audit report (**Report #2184**) were previously provided to the Board. The audit consists of the examination of the District's financial statements, a review of the systems of internal accounting controls and a review of state and federal compliance areas mandated by the Single Audit Act, the State Department of Finance Guide, and the California Community Colleges State Chancellor's Office. Teresa Scott introduced Bryce Gibbs from Matson and Isom who presented an overview of the report for the Board. Mr. Gibbs reported that there were no significant or unusual transactions during the year. The apportionment estimate is reasonable. There are no audit adjustments that have a significant effect on the District's financial reporting. There were no disagreements or significant difficulties with management regarding professional standards. Mr. Gibbs gave clarification to Trustee Schrimp's inquiries regarding the college foundations presentations, noted on page 16 of the report, and retiree benefits and unfunded liability detailed on page 32 of the report. He also addressed inquiries by Trustee DeMartini regarding District investments, page 28 of the report. Mr. Gibbs suggested that the Board review its policy and determine whether or not that policy needs to be clarified or strengthened.

A motion was made by Trustee Rojas and seconded by Trustee Schrimp that the Board receive the 2004-2005 audit report and authorize its filing with the appropriate state agency in accordance with Education Code Section 84040.

The motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

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Health Services Fees

Current law requires all Board of Governors Enrollment Fee Waiver (BOGFW) recipients to be exempt from paying any health fee charged by a campus. The signing of AB 982 (Laird) deletes this requirement and permits each community college district the flexibility to assess all or some of its students the fee for providing campus health services. After examining this issue and in an effort to provide exemplary health services to students, Modesto Junior College and Columbia College are seeking Board approval to assess all students with the current health fee, with the exception of the BOGFW-A recipients. The change in assessment of the health fee will begin in the summer of 2006. In addition, Education Code Section 76355, provides the governing board of community college districts the option of increasing the student health services fee by the same percentage as the increase in the Implicit Price Deflator Index for

State and Local Government Purchases of Goods and Services. Current calculation allows for a \$1.00 fee increase. Modesto Junior College and Columbia College are seeking Board approval to increase the student health fee to \$14.00 for the fall and spring semesters and \$11.00 for the summer session. This increase will be effective beginning summer of 2006. Connie Mical and Lauren Campana spoke in favor of the recommendation. Only approximately 10% of BOG Fee Waiver recipients will continue to be excluded from health fees. The additional fees will increase revenue to assist with the health services at both colleges. Trustees DeMartini and Dean stated that no student should receive the exemption. Trustee Hallinan reminded the Board that there was a request from ASMJC to delay the vote to allow student survey results to be presented to the Board. CC Academic Senate President Micha Miller stated that the state organization of associated students is in favor of the health fee increase. MJC Academic President Curtis Martin stated that the recommendation should be approved as the number of waivers is small and represent the students with the greatest financial hardships. Interim President Scroggins stated that health services would still be expanded without the fees generated by the recommended 10% of students to be exempted.

A motion was made to accept staff's recommendation by Trustee Schrimp and seconded by Trustee Rojas. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Abe Rojas, Linda Flores, Delsie Schrimp. Nos: Pat Dean, Anne DeMartini, Tom Hallinan.

The motion failed with a vote of 3-3.

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Board Bylaws/Policies –  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading (Whistleblower  
Policy)

Chancellor Williams reported that the proposed YCCD Board Policy 7520 (Whistleblower Policy) and its accompanying procedure is before the Board for a first reading. This policy would govern both the reporting and investigation of allegations of suspected unlawful activities and the protection of whistleblowers from retaliation. The Community College League of California (CCLC) Board Policy & Administrative Procedure Service is in the process of researching and drafting a recommended policy and procedure for whistleblower protections, but that process has not yet concluded. Once the CCLC distributes its recommendation, the District may review and implement any modifications to this policy. Dr. Williams requested that trustees send any recommended changes to his office. This policy will return to the Board for a second reading once CCLC has completed its research and drafting of a recommended policy. The Board of Trustees conducted a first reading of this policy.

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Parking at MJC/Measure E

Chancellor Williams reported that Measure E stipulates that YCCD will "reduce parking impact on the neighboring community

by building a parking structure” at MJC’s East Campus. Since the passage of Measure E, there have been concerns raised about the increasing costs of materials and the location of a parking structure. A town hall meeting was conducted to hear citizen and neighbor opinions. After analyzing all options, Kitchell narrowed the choices to two: Option A - Adding a parking structure in place of the existing surface parking lot(s) at the Southwest corner of MJC East; or Option B - Relocating the existing baseball field at the Northwest corner of MJC East to MJC West and installing a surface parking lot in its place.

Option A (parking structure) would yield 290 net spaces at a cost of roughly \$12 million and Option B (surface lot) would net 544 spaces at a cost of roughly \$9 million. Leading arguments for a parking structure are: it could be expanded in the future; a structure was campaigned for by the District; and the public supported the structure when Measure E was passed. Leading arguments for a surface lot are that it is less costly and yields more spaces in the short term.

As the urban density of the City of Modesto grows, MJC needs to look toward higher density solutions for both building and parking solutions at East Campus. A parking structure will contribute to the future solution to East Campus parking by adding additional floors and conserving available land, allowing for future expansion. This is the first time in the history of the District that sufficient funds are available to construct a structure versus settling for surface parking as the only viable option due to costs. The issue was analyzed by the MJC Measure E Coordinating Committee with a recommendation to build a parking structure. MJC Academic Senate and College Council took no position on the issue and referred it to the YCCD Board of Trustees for a decision. Interim President Scroggins stated that the College Council recommendation was that the Board should make the decision since parking deals with public policy issues. Instructional Administrators Council (IAC) and the Associated Students of MJC (ASMJC) recommend a lot. Classified staff (CSEA) recommend a structure.

Mr. Gordon Preston, neighbor to MJC East Campus, pointed out drawbacks of the parking lot including increased traffic at Tully and Coldwell and a parking lot was not in the Measure E bond proposal before the voters. Mike Smedshammer, MJC Instructor and neighbor to MJC, spoke in favor of the structure and stated that the majority of the neighbors are in favor of the structure. Instructor and MJC neighbor Linda Kropp stated that the town meeting was not publicized enough to draw neighborhood participation. She also stated that the public voted for a parking structure, not a lot.

Trustee Rojas stated that constructing the parking garage structure is reflective of a forward vision for the development of East Campus. Trustee Hallinan stated that he is in agreement

with Trustee Rojas and he believes that the public expects a parking structure and it would not be right to change that. Trustee Hallinan further stated that a parking lot is not the best long-term solution. Turning the baseball field into a parking lot would take the last available space for new classroom facilities in the future. Additional floors could be added to the structure as the need for additional parking grows. Mark Newton, in response to inquiry by Trustee Flores, stated that infrastructure would be in place that would allow a parking structure to be built to ten or twelve stories in the future. Mr. Newton stated that the original Facilities Master Plan (FMP) requests 1400 stalls. It would be reasonable to plan to eventually grow to a six level structure in the future which would yield 1000 stalls. Trustees Schrimp and DeMartini stated that the goal was to alleviate parking problems. Trustee DeMartini stated that a parking lot would be safer. Security in a parking structure would be more difficult. If a parking lot was built, MJC would be able to build a new ball field and athletic facility and save money. Trustee Schrimp stated that the Board needed to do what is most prudent. Trustee Dean stated she will qualify her vote based on the higher cost of structure.

Chancellor Williams cautioned that should community members file a lawsuit regarding the language in the Bond Measure, that lawsuit could completely stop Measure E and the District could be required to start over and take the measure to the voters again.

A motion was made by Trustee Hallinan and seconded by Trustee Rojas that the Board accept staff's recommendation to direct Kitchell to move forward with a parking structure on MJC East Campus. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Abe Rojas, Linda Flores, Tom Hallinan. Nos: Pat Dean, Anne DeMartini, Delsie Schrimp.

The motion failed with a vote of 3-3.

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**COMMENTS**

From the Public

Faculty Member Cecelia Hudelson-Putnam addressed the board regarding her enrollment concerns since MJC is not hitting base enrollment and provided the Board with a handout supporting her position. Ms. Hudelson-Putnam suggested that close attention be paid to the division breakdown of FTES and that grouping of class sections be based on FTES generation. She stated that the divisions in Founders Hall generate 51 percent of all MJC FTES and that 30% of all MJC FTES are generated out of Founders Hall. She is concerned that if classes like anthropology and geology are moved to locations like the current Great Valley Museum, these programs will be killed for lack of enrollment. Placement of classes and use of facilities need to be viewed to include potential for growth. She is concerned that the District will build buildings but those buildings will not generate revenue.

From the Board of  
Trustees

Trustee Dean attended Institute Day at MJC and In-Service Day at Columbia College. Trustee Flores attended the graduation ceremony at the police academy. Trustee DeMartini displayed the 2005 Chancellor's Award for Best Practices in Diversity presented to MJC at the California Community College League conference in November.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Wednesday, February 15, 2006. Closed session will begin at 3:30 p.m. and open session at 5:30 p.m. in the YCCD Board Room, 2201 Blue Gum Avenue, Modesto.

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Anne DeMartini, Chair  
YCCD Board of Trustees

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James H. Williams, Secretary  
YCCD Board of Trustees