

AGENDA
YOSEMITE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FIVE HUNDRED AND EIGHTEENTH REGULAR MEETING
April 9, 2008

3:30 P.M. Open Session - Call meeting to order in the YCCD Board Room, adjourn to closed session in YCCD Conference Room B

CLOSED SESSION AGENDA:

- Discussion:
1. Pursuant to G. C. Section 54957
Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Appointment
 2. Pursuant to G.C. Section 54956.8 – Property Negotiator
Conference with Real Property Negotiators (APN: 021-016-037, 021-017-015, 025-006-034, 021-070-002, 021-088-several, 109-015-054, 109-015-071, 057-023-027; 057-023-028; 021-027-014 and a portion of 025-006-034)
 3. Pursuant to G. C. Section 54957.6 - Conference with Labor Negotiators
District Representatives: T. Scott, G. Rose, D. Wirth
Employee Organizations: CSEA

5:30 P.M. - Reconvene to open session – YCCD Board Room

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Report out from Closed Session (if any)

Approval of the Minutes

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the regular meeting on March 12, 2008, and Board Retreat minutes from March 21, 2008.

Comments from the Public

Persons who want to comment on Board business issues not included on the agenda can do so as part of this section of the agenda.

Persons who want to address the Board of Trustees on an agenda item may do so after being recognized by the Chair of the Board and before Board discussion on the action item.

Prior to comment of the Board Meeting, all speakers should complete a Speaker Request form in advance and give it to the Board stenographer. Individuals will be allowed a maximum of five (5) minutes per topic. **Other guidelines may apply. See Board Policies #7345 and #7346.**

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I. REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Student Presentation – MJC Passport to College

Modesto Junior College and Modesto City Schools are partnering to increase the area's college going rate by working with younger students to build an "I can do college" attitude. Passport to College, an early-outreach project for 5th graders, was kicked off on January 17, 2008. Passport participants will visit MJC at least annually to learn about college majors, programs and careers of the future, academic support programs and financial aid opportunities. Participants who graduate from a Modesto high school will be offered scholarships to pay for enrollment fees for two years of education at MJC.

B. Student Activity Reports

C. Academic Senate Activity Reports

D. Activities and Announcements

Modesto Junior College – President Rose

1. MJC Speech and Debate Team

The MJC Speech and Debate Team captured 16 medals at the 2008 California Community College Speech and Debate Championships held March 13-16, 2008, in Concord. The highlights include a 1st Place Gold Medal in National Forensics Association Lincoln/Douglas Debate earned by Jeff Dauber and a 1st Place Gold Medal in Parliamentary Lincoln/Douglas Debate won by Jon Cottrel. Congratulations to Coach Todd Guy and his outstanding speech students.

2. Celebration of the Humanities

The 31st Annual Celebration of the Humanities will be held Saturday, April 12. The awards ceremony is by invitation only due to limited seating. A free public reception will be held following the awards from 3 – 4:30 p.m. on the Art Patio. The Celebration of the Humanities Art Exhibition will open April 7-18 in the MJC Art Gallery and admission is free.

3. Earth Day

The MJC Civic Engagement's Project Green Committee has planned three free Earth Day events to heighten environmental awareness and educate students, staff, and the greater community on green and sustainable practices. "Convocation on Environmental Stewardship" will be held on Tuesday, April 15, 2 - 4 p.m., on the East Campus Quad, featuring a panel of representatives from six Modesto area faiths outlining their beliefs on the proper relationship between humans and the environment. On Thursday, April 17, an Earth Day Celebration will be held 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. on the East Campus Quad, and that evening Crissy Trask, author of *It's Easy Being Green*, will speak at 6:30 p.m. in Forum 110 on East Campus.

I. REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS

D. Activities and Announcements

Modesto Junior College, Continued – President Rose

4. Celebrate MJC Athletics

The “Celebrate MJC Athletics” Wine and Gourmet Food Tasting fundraiser sponsored by the Modesto Junior College Foundation will be held on Friday, April 18, 6:30 - 9 p.m. in the MJC Gymnasium. The \$25 tickets will be available at the door and proceeds benefit the 21 intercollegiate sports in the MJC Athletics Program.

5. Equine Open House

The MJC Agriculture Department and Equine Science Program are hosting an Equine Open House on Saturday, April 19, 10 a.m.–2 p.m. in the Equine Unit located next to the Mary Stuart Rogers Center on West Campus. The purpose is to create awareness of the new equine program while giving students a chance to show their work with horses. Students will provide demonstrations. Vendors will be on hand. The new MJC Young Farmer Horse Club will host a barbecue fundraiser. Information on Equine Science, Animal Science, Veterinary Technician and other Ag programs will be available. Ten fillies will be for sale, and ponies will be on hand for youngsters to pet. The event is free and open to the public.

6. MJC Powwow

MJC’s 10th Annual Native American Powwow will be held on Sunday, April 20, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., on the Quad at Modesto Junior College’s East Campus. (Rain location is the Mary Stuart Rogers Student Learning Center.) The intertribal Powwow features Native American singing, dancing and drumming and is free and open to the public. Arts, crafts, jewelry and food will be for sale.

7. Nurses Pinning Ceremony

MJC Associate Degree Nursing Program will hold a Nurse Pinning Ceremony on April 24, 6:30 p.m. in the Big Valley Grace Community Church, 4040 Tully Road in Modesto, celebrating the graduation of 64 students.

Columbia College – President Smith

1. Columbia Student Outstanding Young Californian

Alisha Cruz, age 20, has been named as one of ten finalists for the Outstanding Young Californian award, which will be presented on April 5 at the Universal Hilton Hotel in Los Angeles. The Columbia College student was selected from a field of several hundred statewide entrants between the ages of 18 to 40. Criteria was based on achieving meaningful contributions to society or their local communities. Her mother, Suzanne Cruz, is a security officer at the college.

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Columbia College, Continued – President Smith

2. Survive and Thrive Conference

The Tuolumne County Chamber of Commerce, Calaveras County Chamber of Commerce, Mother Lode Job Training, Mother Lode Workforce Investment Board, and Columbia College are teaming up. About 120 participants, 20 presenters and 20 vendors will take part in the Mother Lode Business Services Summit 2008 “Survive and Thrive” on April 29 on the Columbia College campus. Activities will consist of workshops, keynote speakers, exhibits and networking.

3. Calaveras Center Art Show

Columbia College students’ art will be featured at the college’s Calaveras Center Art Show and Reception on April 4 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. The event is free and open to the public. Students are currently enrolled in Lori Hanson’s art classes in beginning and intermediate watercolor and beginning drawing. Refreshments will be prepared by the college’s culinary and pastry arts students. The art will be displayed at the Center through April 26.

4. Symphony of the Sierra

The Symphony of the Sierra will provide a free community performance on April 12 at 5 p.m. in the Columbia College Dogwood Forum. Featured will be a number of renowned musical overtures. Under the direction of Jeff Johnson, the orchestra consists of numerous talented local musicians, and is conducted as part of a Columbia College music course.

5. Free Income Tax Preparation

Members of the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) group are again offering free income tax preparation assistance for the public through April 15 in the Manzanita Rotunda. Appointments are not required, service is provided on a walk-in basis. For more information, contact Vickie Garrett at 588-5246.

6. Columbia Wine Tasting

The Columbia College Foundation is hosting the 32nd Columbia Wine Tasting on April 20 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at Columbia State Historic Park. Proceeds benefit Columbia College Culinary Program, provide student scholarships and other program materials. More than 40 wineries from throughout the state will participate, along with numerous local food purveyors, including the college’s culinary students. Tickets are \$45 and can be purchased by calling 588-5089 or online at [http://www.qocolumbia.org/foundation/wine08/Columbia Wine Tasting08.htm](http://www.qocolumbia.org/foundation/wine08/Columbia%20Wine%20Tasting08.htm).

7. Living with Lions Presentation

Over 70 people attended the Mountain Lion Foundation’s Presentation on “Living with Lions” on March 14 at Columbia College. Presenter Emily Cunnison provided valuable information from studies on mountain lions. The presentation was highlighted with displays of a mounted mountain lion and an African lion, part of the Osterberg collection, which was donated to Great Valley Museum. Guy Van Cleave, one of the museum curators and a Columbia biology professor, was instrumental in obtaining the lions.

I. **REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS**

D. **Activities and Announcements**

District, Central Services – Chancellor Darnell

1. Leadership Turlock

On April 16, 2008, YCCD and MJC will be hosting the Turlock Chamber of Commerce's 2008 Class of Leadership Turlock. Trustee Rojas, Chancellor Darnell and President Rose will address the group as they tour MJC's East and West Campuses and learn about program offerings. This event is provided as an opportunity for local leaders to become more familiar with the variety and quality of MJC programs and services.

I. REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS

E. Presentations/Updates

1. MJC Accreditation Update

President Rich Rose will provide the Board with an update regarding the status of the Mid-term Report and Special Report being prepared by Modesto Junior College.

2. Enrollment Update

Columbia College President Joan Smith and Modesto Junior College President Richard Rose will provide the Board with an update regarding student enrollment at both colleges.

3. Chancellor's Update

Chancellor Roe Darnell will provide the Board with an update on District and college priorities.

4. Fiscal Services Update

Teresa Scott will provide the Board with information regarding the communication role between auditors and those charged with governance (Statement on Auditing Standards 114).

According to Board Policy 3330, delegated authority to purchase supplies, materials, apparatus, equipment, and services, require that transactions of \$10,000 or more shall be reviewed by the Board every 60 days and are listed in the purchase orders on the Board's Consent Agenda. The transactions listed below are provided for the Board's further information for February 26, 2008, to March 24, 2008:

Service Agreements – Non-Construction

Vendor	Cost	Coll	Purpose
North American Funding	\$24,902.84/yr	MJC	Seven year lease for Heidelberg Printmaster printer
CalFire	\$300,000	CC	Standard Agreement for Vocational Training in Fire Technology
SixTen and Associates	\$24,000	YCCD	Mandate Reimbursement Claim Preparation
Southwestern CCD	\$12,500	YCCD	Child care instructional program

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E. Presentations/Updates

5. ☆Bond Update

Kitchell representative Mr. Mark Newton will provide the Board with an update on the progress of current Bond projects.

Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee – The YCCD Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) met on Wednesday, April 2, 2008, at 6:00 pm at Columbia College, following a tour of Columbia College's Bond projects.

Columbia College: *Child Development Center:* The Division of the State Architect's back check process has begun, and documents should be approved soon. Construction is expected to start in July 2008. *Science and Natural Resources:* The schematic design has been completed and the project is being cost estimated. The project has recovered from a minor scheduling setback. *Public Safety Center:* The project has bid and construction is expected to start in May. It is three months ahead of the Program Management Plan schedule. The *Madrone* project's DSA back check is near completion. Project is expected to bid in April, with construction to begin in June. The project has been delayed due to a prolonged plan check process.

Modesto Junior College: *Campus Master Plan:* The College has reviewed the most recent draft of the plan and supplied comments. A campus wide forum was held to present the plan. All requested changes have been made to the plan and a final draft will be provided to the Board to review. The *Multi-Use Pavilion* project has completed the design development phase, and a cost estimate is currently being developed. The design phase for the *Beef Unit and Sheep Unit* is near completion. *Allied Health* project's construction documents will be submitted to the state upon completion. Construction is expected to start in Fall of 2008. The *Parking Garage* project has been divided into two phases. The parking lot designers are preparing a fee proposal to begin the design work. The *Auditorium* project is 93% complete and proceeds on schedule and within budget. *Softball Complex:* The geotechnical work is complete and being analyzed. *Science Community Center:* The schematic design phase is near completion. Current design activities include the design of the labs and lab prep spaces.

Calaveras Educational Site: The Measure E team is beginning negotiations.

Oakdale Educational Site: The College and District are reviewing possible sites.

West Side Educational Site: The College and District are considering various site offers.

Turlock Educational Site: Various properties are being considered for a future location.

Action items listed in Sections II.A, II.B & II.C are part of the Board's consent agenda. Trustees may pull specific items off the consent agenda for separate discussion and action. Items not pulled for separate discussion/action will be acted upon as one action by the Board.

II. ACTION ITEMS

A. Consent Agenda, Fiscal Services

1. ☆Purchase Orders

A recommendation is made that the Board of Trustees approve the purchase orders issued from February 1, 2008 through February 29, 2008.

2. Acceptance of Gifts

A recommendation is made that the Board accept with appreciation the following gift(s):

Donor	Gift	College	Program
Jim Sahlman	View Sonic PJ551	MJC	Academic Senate

3. ☆Grant Project Applications/Amendments

A recommendation is made that the Board of Trustees authorize the Yosemite Community College District to submit the following grant project applications/amendments and to enter into a contract with the appropriate agencies when the projects are selected for funding:

Agency	College	Agency Share	Proposer Share
California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office, Career Technical Education Unit	MJC/CC	\$162,810 (\$81,405 to each college)	\$0
California Department of Education	MJC/CC	\$3,464 (\$1,732 to each college)	\$0
California Department of Education	MJC	\$150,000	\$0
California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office, Economic Development & Workforce Prep Division	MJC	\$600,000	\$60,000
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California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office, Academic Affairs Division: Career Tech Education	MJC	\$200,000	\$0
US Department of Education	CC	\$2,000,000	\$0

4. Notice of Completion of Contracts

The following project contract has been completed and inspected. A recommendation is made that the Board accept the work performed as having been completed in accordance with the plans and specifications and authorize final payment of 10% of contract amount.

Bid #	Project Name	College	Contractor	Original Amount	Revised Amount
08-1583	Student Center HVAC Replacement Units	MJC	Champion Industrial Contractors, Inc.	\$320,969	\$338,099

II. ACTION ITEMS

B. Consent Agenda, Personnel

1. Personnel Transaction Items

A recommendation is made that the Board of Trustees approve the following list of Personnel Transaction Items and commend retirees for their years of service:

Name	Position	Department	College	Effective
Retirements:				
Otis Bryant (14 years of service)	Lead Mechanic	Transportation	CS	7/8/2008
Cass Larkin (10 years of service)	Financial Aid Manager	Financial Aid	CC	3/21/2008
Probationary Appointments - Classified:				
Anita Flora	Program Representative III – Registered Vet Tech Program (50%)	Ag & Environmental Sciences & Tech Ed	MJC	3/26/2008
Stacey Munroe	Support Staff I	Business, Behavioral & Social Sciences	MJC	3/24/2008
Promotional Appointments – Classified Administrators:				
Lisa Latt	Payroll Supervisor	Fiscal Services	CS	4/10/2008
Kathleen Lea	Grounds Maintenance II	Facilities Operations	CS	4/15/2008
Temporary Increase in Assignments – Classified:				
Kim Jordan	Program Representative II	DSP&S	MJC	7/1/2008 to 6/30/2009
Resignations:				
Michael Ray	Instructor of Computer Science	Business, Behavioral & Social Science	MJC	5/1/2008
Carolyn Buck	Dean	Learning Support Services	CC	6/30/2008

2. Short-Term Appointee List

A recommendation is made that the Board of Trustees approve the following list of short-term appointees, in accordance with state law (AB500-Goldberg).

Name	Classification	Department	Coll	Start Date	End Date
Brockman, Jessica	Support Service Aide	Admissions & Records	MJC	4/28/08	6/30/08
McNeal, Todd	Instructional Asst I	Instruction Office	CC	4/10/08	4/26/08
Metcalf, Mickalyn	General Clerk	Facilities Ops	CS	5/19/08	6/30/08
Rutherford, Doreen	Child Development Center Teacher	Family & Consumer Science	MJC	4/15/08	6/30/08
Stevens, Johanna	Instructional Asst II	Instruction Office	CC	5/5/08	6/30/08
De Los Reyes, Cassandra	Transportation Technician I	Transportation Dept	CS	5/5/08	6/30/08
Faust, Paige	Transportation Technician I	Transportation Dept	CS	5/5/08	6/30/08

II. ACTION ITEMS

C. Consent Agenda, Student Travel

The following student travel event has been approved by the college President and District Chancellor. A recommendation is made that the Board of Trustees approve:

1. ¼ Scale Tractor Competition – Peoria, Illinois

MJC is seeking Board approval of the MJC Mechanized Agriculture Club ¼ Scale Tractor Team competing this summer in the American Society of Agricultural & Biological Engineers (ASABE), ¼ Scale Tractor competition in Peoria, Illinois. Professor Steve Amador and Lab Technician John Macedo, MJC ¼ Scale Tractor Team Advisors, will plan the trip that will span from May 26 – June 4, 2008. The approximate cost of the trip will be \$12,000 for 13 students and two advisors. Fundraising will be done by Messrs. Amador and Macedo and the team members through the Mechanized Agriculture Club. A portion of the trip will be paid for from VTEA and General Travel allocated to the Division funds.

II. ACTION ITEMS

D. Discussion Items

1. ☆CCCT Board of Directors Election – 2008

The voting period for the California Community College Trustees Board of Directors takes place between March 10 and April 25. There are 20 candidates for ten two-year vacancies on the Board. The candidates are listed on the attached sheet. Biographical sketches were distributed previously to Trustees.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees each complete a ballot indicating their preferences for the CCCT Board and forward to the Chancellor for compilation; and direct the Chancellor to complete and submit a single Board ballot.

2. ☆Negotiations – CSEA

Discussions with the California State Employees Association (CSEA) regarding 2007-2008 contract negotiations are continuing. Based on this process, we are pleased to report that a tentative agreement on salary has been reached. CSEA has approved the Tentative Agreement through their ratification process. Staff will receive retroactive payment for services rendered beginning July 1, 2007.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve the attached 2007-2008 negotiated agreement on salary with the California State Employees Association (CSEA).

3. Board Subcommittee

At the Spring Board Retreat on March 21, 2008, Trustees discussed the need for broader community awareness in addressing the need for higher college going rates and success rates of students in the Central Valley. Trustees discussed ways to actively promote our colleges and successful student programs in our communities. The Board's desire to be proactive led to further discussion regarding the possible appointment of a subcommittee to work with the Chancellor to develop an action plan. That plan should include an ongoing process to allow Trustees to assist with the promotion of our colleges as a viable and affordable higher education option.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve the formation of a Board Subcommittee to address the need for higher college going rates and success rates of students in the Central Valley and appoint not more than three trustees to work with the Chancellor to develop an action plan.

III. BOARD COMMENTS

Comments from the Board of Trustees

This time is for Trustees to report on conferences, meetings, and other activities related to District business. No action will be taken.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Wednesday, May 14, 2008. Closed Session will begin at 3:30 p.m. and Open Session at 5:30 p.m. at Yosemite Community College District, District Board Room, 2201 Blue Gum Avenue, Modesto, California.