

AGENDA
YOSEMITE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FIVE HUNDRED AND SIXTH REGULAR MEETING
April 11, 2007

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
Appointment of Public Employee: Chancellor
 2. Pursuant to G.C. Section 54956.8 – Property Negotiator
Conference with real property negotiators
 3. Pursuant to G. C. Section 54957.6 - Conference with Labor Negotiators
District Representatives: D. Wirth, T. Scott, G. Rose
Employee Organizations: CSEA & YFA

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

Public Comment on Agenda Action Items: Persons who want to address the Board of Trustees on an agenda action item (Section II) may do so after being recognized by the Chair of the Board and before Board discussion. 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.

Comments from the Public: Persons who want to comment on an Agenda Information Item (Section I) or Board business issues not included on the agenda can do so as part of agenda item **III.A.** 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.

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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 Board Retreat on March 2, 2007, and the minutes of the regular meeting on March 14, 2007.

I. REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Student Activity Reports

B. Academic Senate Activity Reports

C. Activities and Announcements

1. 30th Annual Celebration of the Humanities

MJC's 30th Annual Celebration of the Humanities will be held Wednesday, April 11. The art show can be viewed between 4:30-8:30 p.m. in the MJC Art Gallery. The Awards Ceremony begins at 6:30 p.m. in the Music Recital Hall and a reception follows at 8:30 p.m. on the Art Patio.

2. Celebrate MJC Athletics

The "Celebrate MJC Athletics" Wine and Gourmet Food Tasting fundraiser sponsored by the MJC Foundation will be held on Friday, April 13, 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.

3. MJC Pow Wow

MJC's 9th Annual Native American Pow Wow will be held on Sunday, April 15, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on the Quad at Modesto Junior College's East Campus. The intertribal Pow Wow features Native American singing, dancing and drumming and is free to the public. Arts, crafts, jewelry and food will be for sale. In case of rain, the event will be moved to the Mary Stuart Rogers Student Learning Center, West Campus.

4. MJC Nurses Pinning Ceremony

MJC Associate Degree Nursing Program, celebrating the graduation of 68 students, will hold a Nurse Pinning Ceremony on April 26, 6:30 p.m. at Big Valley Grace Community Church, 4040 Tully Road in Modesto.

5. MJC Commencement Ceremony

MJC's Commencement Ceremony will be held on Friday, April 27 at 6 p.m. in the Stadium. The program will feature a keynote address by Superintendent of Schools/Office of Education Tom Changnon, a student speaker and presentation of Dr. Curtis Grant as the 2007 Distinguished Alumnus. Approximately 500 graduates are expected to participate. A Graduation Luncheon will be held on April 27, in the Mary Stuart Rogers Student Learning Center. Tickets are on sale for \$10 in the East Campus Bookstore.

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C. Activities and Announcements

6. MJC “Study Spanish in Mexico”

MJC is offering the opportunity to “Study Spanish in Mexico.” Participants will live with a Mexican family in Cuernavaca, from June 15 to July 14, 2007, while studying at the Spanish Language Institute. Cost is approximately \$2,100, and information is available from Professor Emeritus Dan Onorato at 526-5436 or Professor Laura Manzo at 575-6462.

7. Columbia College Hall of Fame

Dr. S. Todd Stolp, the late Terry Hoff, and Dirk Travis were named as the newest members of the Columbia College Foundation’s Hall of Fame at the 17th annual celebration on April 5. Dr. Stolp, Tuolumne County’s public health officer, was recognized for his years of service to the college and most recently, for his role as campus medical director of health services and chairperson of the medical advisory board for the school’s diabetes management program. Terry Hoff, one of the first female professors at the college, was recognized for her dedication in teaching dance and efforts in establishing the college’s dance program, which evolved into a highly respected performing arts troupe in the area. Alumnus of the Year, Dirk Travis, currently owns a successful Sonora portrait photography studio and is active in many community organizations. Since his graduation from Columbia in 1986, he has provided numerous photographic services for the college and in 1992, initiated the Travis Art Scholarship to aid serious art students with financial need.

8. Middle College Partnership at Columbia College

Established as a partnership between the Sonora Union High School District and Columbia College, a cohort of approximately 30 high school students will begin their Middle College experience at Columbia College this Fall. Sonora High instructor Anastasia Conlin will teach the high school portion in the mornings and students will attend college classes in the afternoons. The Columbia Middle College is designed to help students earn a high school diploma, accumulate college credits, make a strong connection with a community of learners, and increase motivation, maturity and independence in a college campus setting.

9. Columbia College Commencement

Columbia College’s 38th Annual Commencement will be held on Friday, April 27, 6:30 p.m. in the Oak Pavilion. A reception for the graduates and their families will follow immediately after the ceremonies in Carkeet Park. Currently, 225 students are potentially eligible for graduation and among them, 32 with distinction, 30 with honors and 82 with certificates.

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10. Leadership Turlock

On April 18, 2007, YCCD and MJC will be hosting the Turlock Chamber of Commerce's 2007 Class of Leadership Turlock. Trustee Rojas, Interim Chancellor Hodges 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

D. Presentations/Updates

1. Enrollment Update

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

2. YCCD Procedures Update

The YCCD procedure revision process began soon after District policies were revised in 2004. Since then, the procedure review committees have met with varied progress, due primarily to extensive turnover in leadership over the past two years. Only five (5) procedures have been implemented to this point. However, with the current window of stability and a consolidation of the Policy & Procedure Review Committee, an additional sixty-four (64) procedures are being implemented by the Chancellor, bringing the total to sixty-nine (69) revised procedures.

Of the current 208 YCCD Policies, 116 have been identified to require accompanying procedures. The 47 procedures that remain are in varying stages of the review process. After these procedure revisions are finished, the District's Policy & Procedures Committee routinely will begin updating all existing Policy and Procedures.

3. MJC Sabbatical Presentations

Two faculty members, RoseLee Hurst of Literature and Language Arts, and Eileen Hale of Allied Health/Family and Consumer Sciences, will report on their 2005-2006 sabbatical projects. During her year-long sabbatical, RoseLee focused on the subject of Learning Communities, researching curriculum for an English course on youth violence, taught with Administrative Justice and Sociology courses, entitled "Exploring the Young Criminal Mind." She also used her sabbatical to begin writing a book on this subject. Eileen Hale used her sabbatical to complete coursework at the Spanish Language Institute and to initiate and plan for student nurse clinical experience at Children's Hospital of Central California. MJC ESL professor Ruth Luman, who completed her 2005-2006 sabbatical projects while in Uganda, will report at the District Board meeting in May.

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D. Presentations/Updates

4. Bond Update

Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee met on April 4. The quarterly Bond Expense Report was presented along with a current status of the Auditorium Project.

Columbia College: *Science and Natural Resources:* Continues to meet on a regular basis to resolve programming of the lab tech support spaces. *Public Safety Center:* The project is in schematic design. *Madrone:* The project is in design development. *Child Development Center:* As a secondary effect, Pinyon will need to be relocated. The work will be bid this month, to be completed in May, when the need is the lowest. The committee has been working diligently with the architect to design the new facility. Architect Paul Roberts will present the schematic design to the Board for review prior to the start of the construction drawings.

Modesto Junior College: *Campus Master Planning* Committee is meeting on a weekly basis, and has approved a plan that represents future growth at both campuses. A schedule of meetings will be posted on the college website. *Agricultural Complex:* Housing is in design and will go out to bid this month. Construction will begin in the summer and move in is scheduled for December. The *Pavilion* cost model shows the project over budget. The project includes laboratory spaces, banquet and other support spaces that may require deletion or modification to bring the project back in budget. *Allied Health's* cost model is also over budget. The committee is considering reduction in the number of classrooms, requiring some sharing between the different programs. With reductions, the program still represents a significant growth in assignable square footage. The *Parking Structure* planning committee continues to meet. The *Auditorium* project is 27% complete, on schedule and within budget.

Calaveras Educational Outreach Facility: The property owner for the land adjacent to the County Board of Education property has been contacted to prepare a proposal for this additional land.

West Side Center: Preparation of the proposed map to separate the 30 acres for donation continues by the land donor's engineer. Approval by the city is anticipated in July.

II. ACTION ITEMS

A. Consent Agenda

1. ☆Purchase Orders

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve the purchase orders issued from February 1, 2007 through February 28, 2007.

2. Acceptance of Gifts

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees accept with appreciation the following gift(s):

- a. Camera from Ted Gertiz for use in the Art Department at Columbia College.
- b. Various books on the subject of ceramics from Carole Pfoutz for use in the Art Department at Columbia College.
- c. \$30 from Deanna Lamb for use in supporting the Civic Engagement Project at Columbia College.
- d. Geil kiln model DL 30F from the Department of Parks and Recreation for use in the Art Department at Columbia College.
- e. Electronic Allen digital organ from Oscar & Ginny Hollis to be used in the Music Department at Modesto Junior College.
- f. Musical equipment from Edith Wheeler to be used in the Electronic Music program at Modesto Junior College.
- g. 1988 Nissan Sentra from John & Charlotte Simons to be used in the Auto Body program at Modesto Junior College.
- h. IDEXX lab equipment to include a QBC, an electrolyte and a chemistry analyzer from Sylvan Veterinary Hospital to be used in the Vet Tech program at Modesto Junior College.
- i. Precision measuring tools from Fastenal to be used in the Machine Tool Technology program at Modesto Junior College.
- j. Starrett 6" dial caliper from Lee Precision Products to be used in the Machine Tool Technology program at Modesto Junior College.
- k. \$2,000 from the Holmes Family Foundation to be used for the improvement of the Art Department Gallery at Modesto Junior College.

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A. Consent Agenda

3. ☆Project Applications/Amendments

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees 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:

- a. National Endowment for the Humanities - CC
Agency share: \$ 125,000
Proposer share: \$ 375,000
- b. California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office,
Economic Development Workforce Preparation
Division – CC
Agency Share: \$ 249,410
Proposer Share: \$ 24,941 (10%)
- c. California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office,
Economic Development Workforce Preparation
Division – MJC
Agency Share: \$ 50,000
Proposer Share: \$ -0-
- d. Packard Foundation – CDTC / YCCD
Agency Share: \$ 500,000
Proposer Share: \$ -0-

II. ACTION ITEMS

B. Personnel Items

1. Retirement – Academic

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees grant retirement emeritus status to **Ellen Stewart**, Professor of Speech and Drama, Columbia College, effective December 31, 2007 and officially commend her for 31 years of valuable service to the District.

2. Retirement – Academic

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees grant retirement emeritus status to **Larry Weese**, Professor of Architecture, Science, Mathematics and Engineering, Modesto Junior College, effective June 1, 2007 and officially commend him for 35 years of valuable service to the District.

3. Retirement – Academic

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees grant retirement emeritus status to **John Petersen**, Autobody Professor, Technical Education, Modesto Junior College, effective May 1, 2007 and officially commend him for 24 years of valuable service to the District.

4. Temporary Appointment – Academic

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve the temporary appointment of **Leanne Bartels** to the position of Instructor of Nursing, Nursing Consortium, Modesto Junior College, effective for the 2007-2008 academic year.

5. Temporary Appointment – Academic

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve the temporary appointment of **Kelly Butler** to the position of Instructor of Nursing, Nursing Consortium, Modesto Junior College, effective for the 2007-2008 academic year.

6. Temporary Appointment – Academic

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve the temporary appointment of **Danise Rapetti** to the position of Instructor of Nursing, Nursing Consortium, Modesto Junior College, effective for the 2007-2008 academic year.

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7. Temporary Appointment – Academic

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve the temporary appointment of **Gladys Schmitt** to the position of Instructor of Nursing, Nursing Consortium, Modesto Junior College, effective for the 2007-2008 academic year.

8. Temporary Appointment – Academic

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve the temporary appointment of **Dawn Stout-Fernandez** to the position of Instructor of Nursing, Nursing Consortium, Modesto Junior College, effective for the 2007-2008 academic year.

9. Appointment – Classified Management

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve the appointment of **Rebecca Crow**, Director of MJC Campus Security and YCCD Employee Safety; effective April 1, 2007.

10. Appointment – Classified Management

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve the appointment of **Alexandra Campbell**, Director of Institutional Research and Planning, Columbia College, effective May 1, 2007.

11. Promotional Appointment – Classified Management

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve the promotional appointment of **Peggy Amarante**, Executive Secretary, Facilities Planning & Operations, Yosemite Community College District, effective April 1, 2007.

12. Promotional Appointment – Classified

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve the promotional appointment of **Tiffnie Akiona** to the position of Program Representative II, Grants Office, Yosemite Community College District, effective April 16, 2007.

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B. Personnel Items

13. Probationary Appointment – Classified

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve the probationary appointment of **Sonja Palmer** to Outreach Recruiter, Welcome Center, Student Services, Modesto Junior College, effective March 26, 2007.

14. Probationary Appointment – Classified

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve the probationary appointment of **Mary Kay Reid** to Museum Technician III (70%), Science, Mathematics & Engineering/GVM, Modesto Junior College, effective April 12, 2007 (11 month work year).

15. Appointment – Classified

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve the appointment of **Lawrence Montoya**, Maintenance III/Locksmith, Facilities Planning & Operations, Yosemite Community College District, effective April 2, 2007.

16. Lateral Transfer – Classified

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve the lateral transfer of **Yolanda Avila**, Secretary III, from Media Services, Modesto Junior College to Facilities Operations, Yosemite Community College District, effective April 16, 2007.

17. Temporary Increase in Assignment - Classified

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve a temporary increase in assignment for **Yia Vang**, Library Media Technician I, Learning Resources, Modesto Junior College, from 60% to 100% effective March 17, 2007 to May 15, 2007.

18. Temporary Increase in Assignment - Classified

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve a temporary increase in assignment for **Kim Jordan**, Program Rep II, DSP&S, Modesto Junior College, from 10 months to 12 months per year, effective July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008.

19. Temporary Increase in Assignment - Classified

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve a temporary increase in assignment for **Kathy Diener**, Master Teacher, Columbia College Child Care Center from 10 months to 12 months per year, effective May 1, 2007 through June 30, 2007.

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20. Temporary Increase in Assignment - Classified

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve a temporary increase in assignment for **Cathy Gray**, Master Teacher at the Columbia College Child Care Center from 10 months to 12 months per year, effective May 1, 2007 through June 30, 2007.

21. Reassignment - Academic

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve the reassignment of **Eva Rivera-Jara** from first year contract Work Experience to first year contract, Counseling Faculty, Modesto Junior College, effective January 1, 2007.

22. Resignation – Classified Management

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees accept the resignation of **Linda Menge**, Assistant Director, Fiscal Programs, Child Development Training Consortium, Yosemite Community College District, effective March 23, 2007.

23. Resignation – Classified Management

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees accept the resignation of **Charles Oldfather**, Campus Operations Manager I, Facilities Planning & Operations, Columbia College/Yosemite Community College District, effective March 9, 2007.

24. Resignation – Classified

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees accept the resignation of **Douglas Cromwell**, Skilled Craft Technician HVAC, Facilities Planning & Operations, Columbia College/Yosemite Community College District, effective March 30, 2007.

25. ☆Short-Term Appointee List

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve the list of short-term appointees, in accordance with state law (AB500-Goldberg).

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C. Discussion Items

1. ☆CCCT Board of Directors Election – 2007

The voting period for the California Community College Trustees Board of Directors takes place between March 10 and April 25. There are 18 candidates for ten two-year vacancies and one one-year vacancy 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 of Directors. These ballots will be forwarded to the Chancellor for compilation and the completion of a single Board ballot.

2. ☆Negotiations - CSEA and Leadership Team

Discussion with two of the District's employee organizations regarding 2006-2007 contract negotiations are continuing. Based on this process we are pleased to report that tentative agreements have been reached with CSEA and the Leadership Team Advisory Committee (LTAC).

Both agreements provide for a one year contract with a 4% increase added to the salary schedules retroactive to July 1, 2006. A one-time retroactive payment will be issued to staff on or before June 30, 2007.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees:

1. Approve the attached 2006-2007 negotiated agreement with CSEA subject to successful completion of the Association's ratification process, and
2. Approve the attached 2006-2007 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with LTAC.

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3. ☆Negotiations - YFA

Discussion with the Yosemite Faculty Association (YFA) regarding 2006-2007 contract negotiations are continuing. Based on this process we are pleased to report that a tentative agreement has been reached with YFA. The agreement provides for a one year contract for 2006-2007. A flat rate retroactive payment to July 2006 will be paid to full-time faculty. On July 1, 2007 faculty total compensation will be raised to the median total compensation of our cohort group.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve the attached 2006-2007 negotiated agreement with the Yosemite Faculty Association (YFA) subject to successful completion of the Association ratification process.

4. MJC Art History Field Study in Italy Trip

The MJC Art Department will offer "Art History Field Study" in Italy, visiting Rome, Capri, Pompeii, Naples, Sperlonga, Tivoli, Assisi, Siena, Pisa and Florence. Instruction will be offered May 21 to June 7, 2007. MJC professor Dr. Richard Serros will teach the 3 unit Art 162, Art 164 and Art 165 courses to approximately 25 students. This is the first of a series of Art History field trip classes Dr. Serros has planned for the future. All associated costs for travel are the responsibility of the student. The cost of the trip arranged through Voyageur Educational Tours is \$4,044.00 per person and includes roundtrip airfare from San Francisco to Italy, lodging, most meals, tour bus transportation and tickets to sites of interest. Study will focus on ancient Rome, the Medieval, Renaissance and Baroque periods.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve the MJC Art History Field Study, Italy trip for Modesto Junior College.

5. MJC Geology Cascades Field Studies– Fall 2007

MJC is seeking Board approval of the "Volcanoes of the Cascades Province Field Study" for Fall 2007. This is a Geology 171B class, September 20 to 24, 2007 with Instructor Garry Hayes instructing. The southern part of the Cascades Range in California and Oregon contains some of the most striking examples of volcanism to be found anywhere in the world; evidence of relatively calm eruptions to unimaginably large explosions that caused whole mountains to disappear. Students will have the opportunity to understand the cause of these eruptions and their potential for future activity. The students are charged a fee of \$25.00 that covers entrance fees, camping fees, gas and food.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve the MJC Geology Cascades Field Studies trip for Modesto Junior College.

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6. MJC Honors Program

Modesto Junior College wishes to initiate an Honors Program. In support of academically high-achieving students, MJC wishes to join its other statewide community colleges in providing this opportunity to its students.

Part of the goal of a community college is to prepare students to transfer to a four-year institution. An honors program can facilitate that preparation by officially recognizing excellence in student achievement, creating a program that encourages excellence in academics, establishing "sister" connections to four year colleges for automatic acceptance and transfer, and establishing greater opportunities toward scholarships through honors recognition. An honors program will help attract those students who are interested in and more prepared for excellence in higher learning. It will add to MJC's reputation in education. And, an honors program will promote a rise in standards across the college by exemplifying excellence in education and encouraging a dialogue on academics.

The program officially begins Fall 2007, however, Professor Eva Mo would like to do a pilot of contract work this summer if approved.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Trustees approve an Honors Program for Modesto Junior College.

III. COMMENTS

A. Comments from the Public

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B. 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 9, 2007. 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.