

**MINUTES**  
**YOSEMITE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**FIVE HUNDRED AND NINETEENTH REGULAR MEETING**  
**May 14, 2008**

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The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Abe Rojas at 3:30 p.m. Trustees then recessed to Closed Session for the purpose of discussing the following Closed Session Agenda items:

**CLOSED SESSION AGENDA:**

- Discussion:
1. Pursuant to G. C. Section 54957  
Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Appointment  
CEO Evaluation
  2. Pursuant to G.C. Section 54956.9(a) – Litigation  
Case: McDaniel v. YCCD, No. 614368
  3. Pursuant to G.C. Section 54956.8 – Property Negotiator  
Conference with Real Property Negotiators (APN: 021-016-037, 021-017-015, 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)
  4. Pursuant to G. C. Section 54957.6 - Conference with Labor Negotiators  
District Representatives: T. Scott, G. Rose, D. Wirth  
Employee Organizations: CSEA

The Board of Trustees reconvened to Public Session at 5:38 p.m. in the YCCD Board Room, Yosemite Community College District. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag preceded formal Board action.

Board Members Present      Abe Rojas, Board Chair  
Anne DeMartini  
Linda Flores  
Desirree Abshire  
Paul Neumann  
Pat Dean  
Tom Hallinan

Board Members Absent      Elbert James (Student Trustee)

Others Present              G. Rose, R. Rose, J. Smith, N. Stavrianoudakis, R. Darnell,  
T. Scott, D. Wirth, T. Nesmith, J. Sahlman, A. Cavagnero,  
D. Baggett, D. Gervin, G. Railey, J. Daly, C. Mical, M. Newton,  
R. Milburn, K. Walters Dunlap, C. Mical, B. Nadell, B. Crow,  
B. Sinclair, F. Banuelos, M. Adams, M. Toal, P. Berger,  
M. Kennedy, D. Pollard, J. Howen, E. Nanez, D. Campbell,  
G. Whitfield, R. Serros, P. Scroggins and S. Akiona (Recorder).

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Report Out From Closed      None.  
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Special Recognition          This is the last regular meeting for Student Trustee Elbert  
James. Board Chair Rojas expressed appreciation for Mr.  
James' service to the students of the District.

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Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Trustee Abshire and seconded by Trustee Dean that the Board of Trustees approve the Minutes of the regular meeting on April 9, 2008.

The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

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**COMMENTS**  
From the Public

None.

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Columbia College Debate  
Team

Columbia College President Joan Smith introduced Tim Elizondo, Forensics Coach and Speech Instructor. Dr. Smith announced that Mr. Elizondo, who is a former MJC student, was named Director of the Year by the Forensics Association. Mr. Elizondo shared that this last year was very successful for the Forensics Team. Students Cody Cooper and Taureanna Shimp shared their personal experiences as debate team members. Ms. Shimp stated she joined the team with no speaking experience. The debate team gave her opportunities to travel and meet students from different walks of life. This program has changed her life and she believes that every student could benefit from this program. Mr. Cooper shared that he barely graduated high school. Being part of the debate team has shaped him. He will be transferring to UC Davis. Mr. Cooper believes that participation on the debate team provides a strong environment for developing critical thinking skills.

Mr. Elizondo presented President Smith with the Gold Medal Award that the team won at this year's State Championship competition. The debate team also received the overall national championship award.

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Student Activity Reports

The Associated Students of Columbia College report was presented by ASCC member Reid Milburn. Ms. Milburn is also a representative for Region V to the California Student Senate. Ms. Milburn reported that ASCC conducted a flower sale for the graduating class. Student elections have been held. The state general assembly was held and Ms. Milburn was part of the planning and organizing committee. Ms. Milburn also informed the Board that the Columbia College students support the health fee increase that appears later in the agenda.

There was no report from Modesto Junior College.

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Academic Senate Reports

Anne Cavagnero, new Columbia College Academic Senate President, thanked Board members and District representatives for attending Commencement. Faculty participation was very high this year. College Council approved the Educational

Master Plan that is being presented to the Board this evening. Program review is nearing completion and that will be reflected in the College's midterm accreditation report. CurricuNet is almost ready to come online and faculty are receiving training. The AWE committee held its final meeting and received reports on topics including summer learning support, the first year learning community experience, and the revitalization of the ESL program. Faculty will be participating in XReg in August. Ms. Cavagnero also attended the State Academic Senate Spring Plenary Session. Ms. Cavagnero congratulated Professor Jeff Fitzwater on his tenure.

Jim Sahlman, MJC Academic Senate President, thanked Board members and District representatives for attending commencement. Faculty participation doubled from last year. Mr. Sahlman also attended the State Academic Senate Plenary session where accreditation was a topic of discussion.

Instructor Adrienne Peek has been appointed as SLO coordinator. Trustee DeMartini requested that a presentation be made to the Board and also requested copies of Senate Agendas and Minutes.

Mr. Sahlman reported that in April, the Senate passed a resolution regarding the Student Services building, recommending that 1), "if feasible, existing building space/footprint should be used"; and 2) "if not feasible, any new building should be constructed on the West Campus." Mr. Sahlman informed the Board that a subsequent resolution has passed on a first reading, and will be up for a second reading at the next meeting. This pending resolution makes a preference that, if the new building must be built on the East Campus, that placement be on or near North Drive.

**REPORTS &  
INFORMATION ITEMS**

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Activities and

Announcements

**Modesto Junior College**

President Rich Rose called the Board's attention to the following activities listed in the agenda:

MJC Music Department  
Benefit Concert

Area medical professionals are putting on a music recital entitled "Docs Play the Pops III" on Sunday, June 1 at 3 p.m. in the MJC Music Recital Hall on East Campus. Tickets are \$12 for general admission, \$10 for students. All proceeds will benefit MJC music student scholarships and the Music Department. A complimentary reception on the Art Patio will follow the recital.

MJC Speech Team	The MJC Speech Team, under the direction of head Coach Todd Guy, returned from the Phi Rho Pi National Tournament with five top awards. Jon Cottrell took the First Place Gold Medal in the National Forensics Association Lincoln/Douglas Debate and also a Third Place Bronze Medal with his partner Rebecca Benjamin in the Parliamentary Team Debate. Danielle Lawson received two Second Place Silver Medals in Dramatic Interpretation and Prose Interpretation. MJC students Rebecca Benjamin and Jennifer Ramirez have been awarded full-ride scholarships to University of the Pacific. Danielle Lawson received \$3,000 from Point Loma University and a full-ride scholarship offer. John Cottrell has been offered a full-ride to Concordia University.
MJC Foundation Honors Distinguished Alumnus	The MJC Foundation honored Erik "Buck" Townsend as the 2008 Distinguished Alumnus during Commencement. Townsend is the Founder and Artistic Director of Townsend Opera Players (TOP) and a native Modestan who attended MJC in 1954-1957.
MJC Scholarship Awards	MJC distributed over \$181,000 in scholarships to 372 students at the Annual Scholarships Celebration in April. Recipients are continuing MJC students, and students who graduated and are transferring to four-year universities. The scholarships range from \$200 to \$2,000, with the largest awards being four Walter & Helen Crow Scholarships for \$2,000 each. Scholarships are given annually by clubs, organizations and businesses, and scholarship endowment funds including the MJC Foundation.
MJC Wins CCPRO Awards	MJC won First Place in Posters and Second Place in Radio Advertisements at the Community College Public Relations Organization (CCPRO) annual conference in April. Monika Schortner's 2007 Powwow poster design was the winning MJC entry and Linda Hoile's "Smart Choices" radio ad earned the Second Place award in that category. The competition included over 400 entries from 45 community colleges in California.
Disability Services "Student of the Year"	Matt Hurd was honored as the 2008 Disability Services' Student of the Year for overcoming his severe hearing impairment and completing the stringent requirements for both an AS degree in Athletic Training/Sports Medicine and an AA degree in Transfer Studies (Summer 2008). Following graduation from MJC, Mr. Hurd plans to transfer to a California State University.
Extended Opportunities, Programs & Services "Student of the Year"	Yasin Shan has been named the MJC Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS) Student of the Year for 2008. Shan graduated with an AA degree in Transfer Studies and a

3.8 GPA, and has been accepted to the Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy at the University of the Pacific. The pharmacy program consists predominately of students who have a Bachelor's degree, so being accepted directly out of MJC is a great honor and accomplishment.

## **Columbia College**

President Joan Smith called the Board's attention to the following activities listed in the agenda:

### **Class of 2008**

Columbia College's Class of 2008 consisted of 192 graduates and the college's 39<sup>th</sup> Commencement was held on April 25 in the Oak Pavilion. YCCD Trustees Pat Dean and Linda Flores, and Executive Vice Chancellor Teresa Scott participated in the graduation ceremonies. Among the graduates, there were a total of 140 A.A. degrees, 67 A.S. degrees, 12 ASOE degrees, and 110 certificates of achievement. A total of 22 graduated with distinction and 10 with honors.

### **Scholarships and Awards**

At Columbia College's April 17 Annual Scholarships and Awards Celebration, 79 students received \$111,769 in scholarships. This represented community scholarships, private donor scholarships, and Columbia College Foundation hospitality management scholarships. Agnieszka "Sigil" Smelkowska-Blackwolf received the College faculty's top scholarship of \$3,500. Susannah Mae Frantz was awarded \$2,500 as the second place winner, and Kathleen Kelly received \$1,500 as the third place winner.

### **Fire Academy Graduation**

Eighteen fire technology students graduated from the Columbia College Fire Academy on April 21 and received certification as a California Firefighter I. Graduates need to complete six months of full-time or one year of part-time field experience before applying to the State for Firefighter I certification. President Smith also reported that one-third of these students received scholarships from Columbia College. Fifteen of the 18 graduates have received job offers and all graduates will be employed this summer.

### **End-of-Year Celebration**

Melissa Colon, a Columbia College computer science professor, was named both Teacher and Faculty of the Year during the College's End-of-Year Celebration on April 25. Others recognized for their outstanding service to the College were Kathy Schultz, outgoing Academic Senate president; Doralyn Foletti, outgoing Classified Senate president; Linda Cross, Classified Employee of the Year; Ida Ponder, Community Service Award; Jon Sterling, Leadership Person of the Year; Deborah Campbell, Central Services Person of the Year; members of College Council, President's Award; Brian DeMoss, Tom Hofstra and Mike Torok, recognition for interim service; Angela Brunton and Michelle Vidaurri, Education

Achievement Awards; and Annie Cavagnaro and Jeff Fitzwater, new tenured faculty. YCCD Trustees Pat Dean and Linda Flores and Chancellor Darnell attended the event.

Physics Students Speak at Space Science Conference

Two Columbia College students, Matt Castleberry of Sonora and Wim Laws of San Andreas, were selected to speak at the "Education for the Future" session of the CONTACT Conference on April 5. Castleberry's topic was "Why starships won't use rocket propulsion" and Laws presented his ideas on "Artificial gravity during starship voyages." The audience consisted of NASA specialists, planetologists, astrosociologists, anthropologists, artists and musicians.

NCFA Director of the Year

Dr. Tim Elizondo, Columbia College's forensics advisor and speech faculty member since 2005, was named the Northern California Forensics Association's Director of the Year. He was state champion in forensics in 1994 while attending MJC where he received an A.A. degree. His other degrees include a bachelor's degree in communications and a master's in rhetoric. He also holds a doctorate in American cultural studies.

Debate Team Victory

Columbia College's two-person teams of Trevor Wittke & Zach Macbeth and Cody Cooper & Taureanna Shimp each won championship rounds in their respective brackets at the 2008 Phi Rho Pi National Championship at St. Charles, Illinois. They successfully defended the gold medal sweepstakes title they earned at last year's championship tournament. Trevor Wittke and Zach Macbeth were also named as finalists for the Northern California Forensics Association's (NCFA) Community College Debater of the Year Award.

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Presentations/Updates  
Accreditation Update

Vice President of Instruction, Karen Walters-Dunlap, presented the accreditation update to the Board. Vice President Dunlap recapped the progress made since MJC was placed on probation. Specific teams were formed to address each recommendation. Each team had representatives from all constituent groups. A website was dedicated to accreditation issues and posting of information and progress ([www.mjc.edu/accreditation](http://www.mjc.edu/accreditation)). Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs) have been developed at the course level and the deadline for submission is May 31 to the SLO coordinator. The deadline for process and development of program review in instruction and student services is May 31. Curriculum review will be placed on a "cycle" this fall and will allow faculty to assess their courses at the program level, This will flow out of program review.

The MJC Strategic Planning Committee will be presenting the strategic plan to the college community at Fall Institute Day along with an accreditation progress report. Senate President

Jim Sahlman will prepare the draft report for review by the college community and Board of Trustees in August. President Rose reported that the College will retain a consultant to assist with the integration of the College's plans into one cohesive process.

Trustee Hallinan appreciates staff's sense of urgency and would like reports during the month. Trustee Dean expressed concern with the cost of retaining consultants. Trustee Neumann stated that this is the first time the entire college community has been involved in program review. Faculty Consultant David Baggett stated that this program review cycle ties into faculty programs and courses in a meaningful and useful way.

#### Enrollment Update

Columbia College Vice President Dennis Gervin reported that, at week 16 Columbia College remains ahead of Spring 2007 by just below 3%. This is below the 4% target. However, the college will place efforts in recouping the difference during Early Summer session.

Dean of Instruction George Railey reported that MJC maintained a 4.4% increase above Spring 2007. MJC will not rollback FTES this year and expects to meet its 2% growth projection for Spring 2008. Early Start Summer is doing well with an increase of 17% over Early Start 2007.

#### Chancellor's Update

Chancellor Darnell reported that the Governor released the May Revise. Overall the budget is good for community colleges and is better than what was presented in January. The proposal would fully fund Proposition 98, augment \$69 million to backfill the property tax loss and an additional \$6 million with adjustments. This will result in funding \$75 million of the \$92 million property tax shortfall. The budget also allows for an increase in growth from 1% to 1.67% and a transfer of funds between categorical programs.

The State Board of Governors appointed Senator Jack Scott as the new State Chancellor. Senator Scott is a retired community college president, is experienced in the legislative system and is a good choice as the State's Chancellor for community colleges.

#### Fiscal Update

Ms. Scott reported that the May Revise is encouraging news for the District. The new auditing standards require governing boards to meet with auditors prior to the process. Trustees Rojas and DeMartini recently met with District representatives and auditors to discuss the auditing process.

The following Service (Non-Construction) Agreements also appeared on the agenda for the Board's information:

**Service Agreements – Non-Construction**

<b>Vendor</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Coll</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
Rancho Santiago CCD	\$10,000	YCCD/ CDTC	Instructional Agreement
Blackboard	\$106,795/yr.	YCCD	License & Services Agreement
Modesto City Schools	\$22,300	MJC	Consultant Agreement

Bond Update

Kitchell representative Mr. Mark Newton provided the Board with the following update on Measure E projects.

**Citizens’ Bond Oversight Committee** – The next meeting of the YCCD Citizens’ Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) is scheduled for Wednesday, July 2, 2008, from 6-7:00 p.m., YCCD Board Room, 2201 Blue Gum Ave, Modesto.

**Columbia College:** *Child Development Center:* The Architect is working with the Division of the State Architect (DSA) to obtain final approval. The project will bid upon the approval of the package. Construction is expected to start July 2008. *Science and Natural Resources:* The schematic design has been completed and the cost estimate indicates the project is within budget. The project is scheduled to start construction in July of 2009. The *Madrone Project’s* DSA back check is near completion. Project is expected to start bidding in April/ May of 2008. Construction should start in June.

*Public Safety Center:* The project has bid and construction is expected to start in May of 2008. It is three months ahead of the Program Management Plan schedule. Kitchell provided the Board with a color rendition of the Center. President Smith thanked Kitchell for their work on this project as they were able to resolve serious concerns during the planning phase. A groundbreaking ceremony will be scheduled in mid-June.

**Modesto Junior College:** *Campus Master Plan:* A final review is being completed. Upon completion, the document will be revised and submitted to the YCCD Board of Trustees for acceptance. The *Agriculture Multi-Use Pavilion Project* has completed the cost estimate, which placed the project over budget. The design team, Kitchell and the project committee, met to discuss value engineering alternatives, and to date, a series of recommendations have been proposed to bring the project into budget. The design phase for the *Agriculture Beef Unit and Sheep Unit* is near completion. *Allied Health Project’s* construction documents are nearing completion and will be submitted to the State upon completion. Construction is expected to start in Fall of 2008. The *Parking Lot* project is currently in the design phase. The *Auditorium Project* is 95% complete and proceeds on schedule and within budget. *Softball Complex:* The geotechnical work is complete. Design will now



begin. *Science Community Center & GVM*: The schematic design phase has been completed. A cost estimate is being prepared. *Student Services*: A location has been identified on East Campus and the design phase is continuing.

**Calaveras Educational Site**: The College and District have begun negotiations. **Oakdale Educational Site**: The College and District are reviewing possible sites. **West Side Educational Site**: The College and District are considering site offers. **Turlock Educational Site**: Various properties are being considered for a future location.

Bond Update - Public  
Comment (Student  
Services Building)

Chair Rojas received public comments from faculty members regarding the MJC Student Services Building Project and its placement near South Drive.

Professor Dale Pollard informed the Board that the resolution pending in the Academic Senate makes a recommendation that Yosemite Hall be modified for student services as a one-stop shop for student needs. West Campus is a good location because of building space and parking. Art Professor Robert Stevenson voiced health and program concerns related to placing the Student Services Building on the glade on South Drive. The building would block northern diffused light to the art building. The south glade is used by professors and drawing students. Additional dust and smoke from ceramics will back up into the art classrooms if the building is placed near the Art Building. Already poor ventilation will be worsened due to lack of airflow. Professor Allan McKissick reviewed the timeline of events that lead to the decision of placing the student services building next to the Art building. He stated that Measure E originally called for student services to provide a one-stop shop for students. If the building must be placed on East, he recommended it be placed on North Drive instead of on the art glade. Professor Mike Adams elaborated that when the original plan to expand the Morris Building for student services was found flawed, college administration should have opened the process up for new ideas and discussion. He recommends that West Campus is the best location to accommodate student needs. However, if East is chosen, that the building be placed on North Drive. Professor Jim Howen added that a one-stop shop was to be provided to students on both campuses. One location can still offer full service for the student intake process. The proposed building on East Campus is only 19,000 square feet and will not be expandable. Yosemite Hall is 52,000 square feet and can be redesigned. He asked that administration and the Board reconsider the placement of the student services building. Art Professor Richard Serros stated that the current Art Building was specifically designed for its current location and proximity to other buildings. Current students and professors have

complained of illness due to the inadequate airflow. Placing a building next to the Art Building will further aggravate that problem. Professor Serros has serious current and future health concerns.

After hearing faculty views, Trustee Neumann supported reexamining the choice of placing a student services building on the East Campus. Faculty Consultant David Baggett added that the situation is complicated as services and offerings haven't been clearly identified for the East and West Campuses. Trustee DeMartini appreciated faculty comments and had not been aware of the level of controversy surrounding this building placement. She also requested additional information. Trustee Hallinan would like further discussion regarding West Campus and a one-stop shop. Trustee Flores and Abshire were appreciative of faculty comments and discussion on this issue. All trustees expressed concern for the health and safety issues currently existing in the Art Building.

Chancellor Darnell stated that the District is already addressing the current health concerns in the Art Building. The decision to place Student Services on South Drive of East Campus was made to keep faith with the community, minimize additional delays and move toward construction of this project. Chancellor Darnell will provide additional information no later than June 18 when a Board Study Session is scheduled for the Board identifying the pros and cons of the three locations that were discussed tonight.

**ACTION ITEMS**

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**Consent Agenda**

Item B.1., Reorganization – Office of Pre-College Programs, was pulled from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion and consideration.

A motion was made by Trustee Abshire and seconded by Trustee Dean that the Board approve the remaining Consent Agenda Items as follows:

Purchase Orders

Approve purchase orders issued from March 1, 2008, to March 31, 2008.

Acceptance of Gifts

Accept with appreciation the following gifts:

<b>Donor</b>	<b>Gift</b>	<b>Coll</b>	<b>Program</b>
DENSO Sales California, Inc.	168 Air Conditioning Service Essentials Training Manuals	MJC	Automotive Technology Program
John Schuber	\$1,000.00	MJC	Crab Feed Fundraiser, for Student Housing/Furniture
Todd Conrado	\$150.00	MJC	Young Farmers Ag Mechanics Club ¼ scale competition

California Nevada Section ASAE	\$200.00	MJC	Young Farmers Ag Mechanics Club ¼ scale competition
Lee Bucknell	\$50.00	MJC	Young Farmers Ag Mechanics Club ¼ scale competition
Philip M. Reed	Red Heifer calf	MJC	Beef Unit Animal Science Program
Andy's Home Center	\$25 gift card	CC	Child Development Center

Grant Project Applications/ Amendments Authorize the Yosemite Community College District to submit the following project applications/amendments (**Report #2255**) and to enter into a contract with the appropriate donor agencies when the projects are selected for funding:

Agency	College	Agency Share	Proposer Share
National Science Foundation	MJC	\$147,927, over two years	-0-
Northern California New Media Center, Mission College	MJC	\$2,450	-0-
Northern California New Media Center, Mission College	MJC	\$1,000	-0-
Central Region Consortium	CC	\$168,000	-0-
David and Lucille Packard Foundation	YCCD	\$35,000	-0-
California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office	MJC/CC	\$1,126,450	-0-
Department of Conservation	CC	\$35,000	-0-

Notice of Completion of Contracts Accept the work performed below as having been completed in accordance with the plans and specifications and authorize final payment of 10% of contract amount.

Bid #	Project Name	Coll	Contractor	Original Amount	Revised Amount
08-1584	Student Center Chiller Replacement	MJC	Champion Industrial Contractors, Inc.	\$192,160	\$192,160
08-1587	Buckeye Building Sewer Pumps/Controls Replacement	CC	Howk Systems	\$26,000	\$26,000
08-1593	Asbestos and Lead Abatement project, Public Safety Center	CC	Janus Corporation	\$15,500	\$15,500

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Personnel Items

Approve the Personnel Transaction list below, as amended, and commend retirees for their years of service:

**PERSONNEL TRANSACTION LIST**

Name	Position	Department	College	Effective
<b>Retirement – Classified:</b>				
Alta Gaudreau (18.5 svc yrs)	Instructional Assistant I (23%)	Community Education	MJC	4/23/2008

Name	Position	Department	College	Effective
<b>Appointment – Educational Administrator:</b>				
Patrick Bettencourt	Interim Dean of Literature & Language Arts	Literature & Language Arts	MJC	7/1/2008 – 6/30/2009
Janice Bates	Director of Health Services	Health Services	MJC	6/2/2008
Mike Torok	Dean of Instructional Services, Arts & Sciences	Student Learning	CC	5/14/08
<b>Appointment – Classified Management:</b>				
Brian DeMoss	Director	Information Technology & Media Services	CC	5/15/08
<b>Probationary Appointment - Academic:</b>				
Eileen Kerr	Instructor of History (first-year contract)	Business, Behavioral & Social Sciences	MJC	Fall 2008
Thomas Hofstra	Instructor of Forestry & Natural Resources (first-year contract)	Vocational & Economic Development	CC	Fall 2008
<b>Temporary Appointment - Academic:</b>				
Katherine Pedrazzi	LVN Nurse Coordinator	Allied Health	MJC	7/1/2008 – 6/30/2009
Name	Position	Department	College	Effective
<b>Temporary Appointment - Academic:</b>				
Tania Adkins	Instructor of Nursing	Nursing Consortium, Allied Health	MJC	2008-2009 academic year
Danise Rapetti	Instructor of Nursing	Nursing Consortium, Allied Health	MJC	2008-2009 academic year
Gladys Schmitt	Instructor of Nursing	Nursing Consortium, Allied Health	MJC	2008-2009 academic year
Dawn Veltre	Instructor of Nursing	Nursing Consortium, Allied Health	MJC	2008-2009 academic year
Kelly Butler	Instructor of Nursing	Nursing Consortium, Allied Health	MJC	2008-2009 academic year
<b>Promotional Appointments - Classified:</b>				
Moises Aguilar	Programmer Analyst II	Information Technology	YCCD	5/15/2008
<b>Probationary Appointments - Classified:</b>				
Cheryl Jacobo	Program Representative II	Grants	YCCD	5/5/2008
Diane Dearden	Program Representative I	CCC Registry	YCCD	5/19/2008 (contingent upon funding)
Veronica Council	Program Representative I (47.5%, 11 month position)	TRIO-Upward Bound	MJC	5/15/2008
<b>Permanent Increase in Assignment - Classified:</b>				
Kathy Diener	Master Teacher (from 10 to 12 months per year)	Child Care Center	CC	5/1/2008
Catherine Gray	Master Teacher (from 10 to 12 months per year)	Child Care Center	CC	5/1/2008

Name	Position	Department	College	Effective
<b>Temporary Increase in Assignment - Classified:</b>				
Robin Frazier	Registered Nurse I (from 50% to 75%)	Health Services	MJC	7/1/2008 – 12/31/2008
Aurora Sanchez	Instructional Assistant II (from 75% to 100% and from 10 to 11 months)	DSPS	MJC	7/1/2008 – 5/30/2009
Claudia Mery	Instructional Assistant II (from 75% to 100% and from 10 to 12 months)	DSPS	MJC	7/1/2008 – 6/30/2009
William Lotko	Laboratory Assistant II (from 10 to 11 months)	Technical Education	MJC	7/1/2008 – 5/30/2009

### Short-Term Appointees

Approve the following list of short-term appointees:

#### SHORT-TERM APPOINTEES

Name	Classification	Department	Coll	Start Date	End Date
Baltz, Jorie	Interpreter III	Special Prog/DSPS	MJC	7/1/08	6/30/09
Barajas, Marisol	Support Service Aide	Workforce Training	MJC	5/15/08	6/30/08
Beeman, Kyle L.	Farmhand I	Ag & Env Sci	MJC	5/15/08	6/30/08
Bernal, Elena	Program Aid	TRIO/Pre-College	MJC	5/15/08	6/30/08
Bernal, Elena	Program Aid	TRIO/Pre-College	MJC	7/1/08	6/30/09
Binda, Breanna	Support Staff I	Student Services	MJC	5/19/08	6/30/08
Binda, Breanna	Support Staff I	Student Services	MJC	7/1/08	6/30/09
Brown, Cathy	Support Staff II	Special Programs DSPS/EOPS/CARE	CC	5/1/08	6/30/08
Campos, Paul	Support Service Aide	Family & Cons Sci	MJC	5/15/08	6/30/08
Chamberlain, Debbie	Testing Ctr Tech II	Testing	MJC	5/15/08	6/30/08
De Los Reyes, Cassandra	Transportation Tech I	Transportation	CS	7/1/08	6/30/09
Faust, Paige	Transportation Tech I	Transportation	CS	7/1/08	6/30/09
Gaines, Lidia	Registered Nurse II	Health Services	MJC	8/1/08	6/30/09
Gonser, Scotty	Lab Asst II	Allied Health	MJC	7/1/08	8/15/08
Harp, Keith	Farmhand I	Ag & Env Sci	MJC	5/15/08	6/30/08
Heintz, Carol	Admin Secretary	Arts, Hum & Comm	MJC	7/1/08	6/30/09
Hodnett, Darla	Interpreter III	Special Prog/DSPS	MJC	7/1/08	6/30/09

### MJC Animal Science Sheep Program – Reno, Nevada

The MJC Animal Science Sheep program has been invited to compete this May in the All-Breed Invitational Sheep Show & Sale in Reno, Nevada, and is seeking Board approval. Professor Marlies Boyd, Sheep Team Advisor, is in the process of planning a trip for her group that will span from May 29 – 31, 2008. The students that will accompany Professor Boyd are Tyler Baker and Nicole Derrico. Professor Boyd is making arrangements for transportation, lodging, etc. for the trip. The

approximate cost of the trip will be \$500.00. The trip will be paid for through the sheep program trust account.

The motion on the Consent Agenda carried with a vote of 7-0.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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Reorganization – Office of  
Pre-College Programs

YCCD Administrative Procedure 4204 allows for organizational change, through administrative channels upon recommendation by the Chancellor to the Board of Trustees. It also allows for abolishing an encumbered position and replacing with new position in an equal or higher classification, where the appointing authority may recommend that the incumbent be appointed to the resultant position. This action is contingent upon a favorable review of employee qualifications, performance evaluations and class employment standards.

**RATIONALE:** Modesto Junior College received additional funding from the U.S. Department of Education to operate a second TRIO Upward Bound Program in Patterson and Riverbank. The U.S. Department of Education authorized the current Director of Pre-College Programs, Francisco Banuelos, to direct the new grant award. The approval saves the office payroll funds that will be directed to improve student services. The proposed organizational restructure takes into account the added responsibilities for current lead staff and proposes to hire a Secretary II. Additional supporting documents were previously provided to the Board.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The reorganization will result in a savings of \$41,848 (4.53% COLA included).

Trustees DeMartini, Dean and Abshire voiced concern regarding the reorganization and its cost-effectiveness. There was discussion that the information provided to the Board did not justify or clarify added job duties to substantiate the increase of salary ranges and reclassification of positions.

Chancellor Roe Darnell, Vice Chancellor Diane Wirth, Pre-College Programs Director Francisco Banuelos and Vice President of Student Services Bob Nadell explained that the two Pre-College Programs at MJC has been so successful that the Federal Department of Education has awarded a third grant to MJC. The Department of Education normally requires that each grant be administrated by an individual director. However, because of the success of the MJC programs, under the direction of Francisco Banuelos, the Department of Education has made an exception to allow Mr. Banuelos to direct all three grant-funded programs. This will result in a cost savings of over \$40,000 which will more adequately fund other elements of the pre-college program and provide increased services to prepare high school students for college.

A motion was made by Trustee Abshire and seconded by Trustee Hallinan that the Board of Trustees approve the following actions effective June 1, 2008:

Eliminate the following vacant position(s):

1. Director of Upward Bound (Management Range 23)
2. Program Representative I, 49% (Classified Range 19)
3. Secretary I, 47.5% (Classified Range 16)

Create/Increase the following position(s):

1. Increase Director of Pre-College Programs (management range 26 to 32)
2. Increase Program Representative II to Program Representative III (Classified Range 26 to 32)
3. Create Secretary II (classified range 19)

Appointment of staff to the affected positions:

1. Appoint Francisco Banuelos to the Director of Pre-College Programs position (Management Range 32)
2. Appoint Florida Arias to the Program Representative III position (Classified Range 32)
3. Secretary II position to be filled through an open recruitment process. Recruitment process to begin in May following Board approval.

The motion carried with a vote of 5-2 (Trustees DeMartini and Dean in opposition).

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

15,800

Student Health Fee Increase

Chancellor Darnell reported that 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 calculations allows for a \$1.00 fee increase. Modesto Junior College and Columbia College seek Board approval to increase the student health fee to \$17.00 for the Fall and Spring semesters and \$14.00 for the Summer session.

A motion was made by Trustee Hallinan and seconded by Trustee Abshire that the Board of Trustees approve the increase of the student health fee to \$17.00 for Fall and Spring semesters and to \$14.00 for Summer session. The recommendation will be implemented district-wide beginning in the Fall of 2008.

The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

15,801

Other Post Employment  
Benefit (OPEB) Trust

Executive Vice Chancellor Teresa Scott reported that the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued two new regulations that outline the requirements that governmental agencies must follow to calculate and report on future liabilities associated with other post employment benefits (OPEB). OPEB for the Yosemite Community College District consists of medical benefits promised to employees at retirement. The new financial accounting and reporting rules require that governmental agencies establish a trust to account for their retiree liability.

Staff engaged in a selection process to select a plan and trust Administrator. At the March 2008 Board meeting, the Board directed staff, based on staff's recommendation, to begin contract negotiations with the California School Boards Association (CSBA) in partnership with the Public Agency Retirement Services (PARS) for the purpose of engaging CSBA/PARS as plan administrator for implementation of GASB 45, which includes establishing an irrevocable trust to fund the District's retiree liability.

Negotiations are complete, and the next step is the Board's action to adopt **Resolution 07/08-07**, which is the authorization for the District to participate in the California School Boards Association GASB 45 Solutions and to join their IRS approved Trust.

A motion was made by Trustee Dean and seconded by Trustee Flores that the Board of Trustees adopt **Resolution 07/08-07** and direct staff to execute the required documents to join the CSBA/PARS trust and to transfer funds to the trust which are currently set aside in the Stanislaus County Treasury for this purpose.

The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

15,802

Quarterly Report on the  
District's Financial Condition

Executive Vice Chancellor Teresa Scott reported that, consistent with prevailing fiscal practices and in compliance with current statute, staff have prepared the quarterly statement of the District's financial condition for the quarter ended March 31, 2008. The Board is required by law to hold a public hearing to review the report and direct that it be filed with the Stanislaus County Superintendent of Schools and the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office.

A motion was made by Trustee DeMartini and seconded by Trustee Flores that the Board of Trustees:

- a. Conduct a public hearing to review the District's financial report for the quarter ended March 31, 2008. A public hearing was conducted and there were no comments from the public.



b. Direct Staff to submit a copy of the required report to the Stanislaus County Superintendent of Schools and the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office.

The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

15,803

Environmental Impact –  
Intent to Adopt a Mitigated  
Negative Declaration and  
Mitigation Monitoring  
Program

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requirements, Krazan & Associates, Inc. prepared and submitted a Mitigated Negative Declaration on the District's behalf to the State Clearinghouse. This report verified that the bond projects at Columbia College will not have a significant effect on the environment. Public notices have been posted and the State Clearinghouse has informed us that the review period has closed and no comments were received. Documentation has previously been provided to the Board for their review.

A motion was made by Trustee DeMartini and seconded by Trustee Flores that the Board of Trustees find the Columbia College bond projects will not have a significant impact upon the environment and adopt the "Mitigated Negative Declaration" and the "Mitigation Monitoring Program" and direct staff to file a "Notice of Determination" with the Governor's Office of Planning and Research.

The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

15,804

CSEA, Chapter 420  
Negotiations Proposal to and  
from YCCD

The current YCCD/CSEA Tentative Negotiated Agreement expires on June 30, 2008. The agreement provides that either party may reopen negotiations for a subsequent term. CSEA, Chapter 420 has presented their 2008-2011 negotiation proposal to the District. The District has presented its proposal to CSEA.

A motion was made by Trustee Neumann and seconded by Trustee Hallinan that the Board of Trustees:

- a. accept the attached CSEA proposal to YCCD;
- b. accept the attached YCCD proposal to CSEA;
- c. schedule a public hearing on the proposals for June 11, 2008; and
- d. refer the proposals to administrative staff for review.

The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

15,805

Child Care Center – Agency  
Annual Report for MJC and  
CC

The Annual Report is a requirement of the Centers' grant funding from the California Department of Education, Child Development Division and is due each year on June 1<sup>st</sup>. Staff and families participated in compiling this comprehensive

program review document. A copy of the report was previously provided to the Board for their review (**Report #2256**).

A motion was made by Trustee Dean and seconded by Trustee Neumann that the Board of Trustees approve the Agency Annual Report to be submitted to the California Department of Education by the Yosemite Community College District – Columbia College/Modesto Junior College, completed April 19, 2008.

The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

15,806

Columbia College Educational Master Plan

Columbia College President Joan Smith reported that, in accordance with the recommendation regarding integrated planning processes at Columbia College made by the Accreditation Commission of Community and Junior Colleges visiting team at their October 2005 visit, and the subsequent Columbia College Accreditation Progress Report addressing that recommendation, the Columbia College Educational Master Plan is submitted to the Board for their consideration. The plan is the result of a process which includes input from each college constituency and program/service area. The document was adopted by the Columbia College College Council on April 21, 2008, and previously provided to the Board. President Smith recognized and thanked all the members of the Columbia College staff who participated in the preparation and planning that culminated into this Educational Master Plan.

A motion was made by Trustee Abshire and seconded by Trustee Neumann that the Board of Trustees approve the Columbia College Educational Master Plan.

The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

15, 807

Classified School Employee Week

The California State Legislature and the California School Employees Association have designated May 18-24, 2008, as Classified School Employee Week in California. This designation is in recognition of the valuable service provided to schools and colleges by these employees. Certainly the Yosemite Community College District could not function without the numerous tasks performed by these staff who bring to the District a wide variety of skills and knowledge. This resolution is presented to the Board in recognition of our appreciation of YCCD classified staff.

A motion was made by Trustee Dean and seconded by Trustee Hallinan that the Board of Trustees adopt **Resolution No. 07-08/08** and thank YCCD classified staff for their commitment and contribution to our Colleges.

The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

**COMMENTS**

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From the Board of Trustees

Trustee DeMartini reported that she attended the Fiscal Services pre-audit meeting, the FFA luncheon at the SOS Club, the Staff Recognition Dinner in Oakdale, MJC Nurses Pinning Ceremony, Office of Education Spring Trustees In Service, and MJC commencement.

Trustee Dean reported that she enjoyed listening to students this evening. She attended the Columbia College Scholarship event, the District retirement dinner, Columbia College Wine testing event, Nurses Pinning Ceremony, which honored 58 students and the Columbia College Commencement. She thanked staff for the auditorium tour today.

Trustee Neumann reported that he attended a Patterson property meeting with Chancellor Darnell, Trustee DeMartini and Nick Stavrianoudakis to discuss a new site option.

Trustee Abshire reported that she attended the CARES luncheon and the subcommittee meeting with Trustees Flores and Neumann and Linda regarding educational outreach.

Trustee Flores reported that she attended the Nurses Pinning Ceremony, Columbia College Year End Celebration and the Columbia College commencement.

Chair Rojas thanked Chancellor Darnell, President Rose and Nick Stavrianoudakis for their participation in Leadership Turlock. There were 21 attendees and they enjoyed the tour of MJC. Mr. Stavrianoudakis provided the Board with evaluations from the event. Chair Rojas also attended the MJC Powwow, MJC Commencement, and the pre-audit meeting with Trustee DeMartini. Chair Rojas attended the advisory committee on legislation meeting in Sacramento. There is ongoing discussion regarding legislative bills that address veterans receiving paid college tuition, He also attended the California Relays at MJC, the retirement celebration for the Turlock Superintendent of Schools and the Odd Couple play at MJC.

Ms. Teresa Scott reported that she attended Salida performing arts event, which highlighted 5<sup>th</sup> graders playing the cello. Trustee De Martini was a guest performer playing the oboe.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Board of Trustees will adjourn to a Board Study Session on May 21, 2008, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., Yosemite Community College District, District Board Room, 2201 Blue Gum Avenue, Modesto, California. No action will be taken.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Wednesday, June 11, 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.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

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Abe Rojas, Chair  
YCCD Board of Trustees

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Roe Darnell, Secretary  
YCCD Board of Trustees