

**MINUTES**  
**YOSEMITE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**FIVE HUNDRETH REGULAR MEETING**  
**October 11, 2006**

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

- Discussion:
1. Pursuant to G. C. Section 54957  
Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Appointment  
Chancellor Search Update
  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: T. Scott, D. Wirth, G. Rose  
Employee Organizations: CSEA & YFA

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

Board Members Present      Pat Dean  
   Anne DeMartini  
   Tom Hallinan  
   Linda Flores  
   Delsie Schrimp  
   Paul Neumann  
   Will McCombs (student trustee, *arrived at 6:20pm*)

Board Members Absent      Abe Rojas

Others Present                      S. Hodges, J. Riggs, D. Wirth, R. Rose, T. Scott, G. Rose, T. Nesmith, D. Gervin. C. Martin, L. Steuben, D. Gervin, D. Baggett, J. Swank, J. Cross, F. Osnaya, M. Robles, J. Doherty, J. Brophy, A. DePage, J. Barnes, R. Milburn, C. Chavez, D. Lau, K. Schultz, H. Stelte, P. Stelte, T. Lackey, L. Martin, M. McBride, M. Newton, G. Womble, C. Mical, Graciela Molina (recorder).

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Report Out From Closed Session      Chair DeMartini reported that during closed session, it was decided to appoint Barbara Wells to the position of Interim Dean of Literature and Language Arts, effective September 1, 2006 through July 31, 2007.

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Approval of Minutes                      A motion was made by Trustee Pat Dean and seconded by Trustee Linda Flores that the Board of Trustees approved the minutes of the special meeting on September 8, 2006 and the regular meeting on September 13, 2006, as amended.

The motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

Unagendized Introduction

Board Chair Anne DeMartini introduced Dr. Joan Smith, new President of Columbia College. Dr. Smith expressed gratitude for being at Columbia College today and having been able to participate and attend various meetings. She thanked the Board of Trustees for selecting her as the new president at Columbia College.

Chair DeMartini acknowledged the two candidates in the race for Trustee, District 1, representing Tuolumne and Calaveras Counties. Candidates Mr. Jeff Craft and Ms. Pat Dean introduced themselves and briefly spoke to their candidacy.

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Student Activity Reports

ASCC President Anthony DePage reported that ASCC will hold a 2006 Halloween Fall Festival on Tuesday, October 31. Activities will include Club Day, BBQ, music and entertainment. A student interest survey was conducted. Results showed an interest in student activities and a concern with the lack of custodial services on campus. ASCC recommends that a stronger recycling program be created on campus. ASCC will meet with the Facilities Committee to address these issues. Auditions are taking place for the school play *Dracula*. Board of Trustees and staff are welcome to audition.

There was no report from MJC.

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Academic Senate Reports

Curtis Martin, MJC Academic Senate President, invited the Board, Cabinet members and staff to attend an open forum at the November 2 Senate Meeting, where Jonathan Lightman, Executive Director of FACCC, will discuss the Community College Ballot Initiative. Mr. Martin attended the YFA retreat where discussions focused on the evaluation process. Finally, MJC Academic Senate directed the Curriculum Committee Taskforce to analyze course requirements.

Larry Steuben, CC Academic Senate President, reported that Academic Senate presidents attended the YFA retreat on August 19. Faculty evaluations were discussed. A special meeting was held regarding the filling of faculty positions. The Senate discussed new graduation requirements. There is a concern whether UC/CSU will accept alternative courses as equal prerequisites for their courses. This issue is being taken to the State Academic Senate.

**REPORTS &  
INFORMATION ITEMS**

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**Activities and  
Announcements**

Columbia College  
Luncheon Honors  
Legislative Visitors

President Jim Riggs reported that local government and high school district officials joined with Columbia College administrators on September 7 in welcoming Assemblyman Dave Cogdill; his District Director, Cheryl Birch; Patty Chavez and Ellen Malen, both from Senator Hollingsworth's office; and Tom Berryhill, State Assembly candidate for the 25<sup>th</sup> District. The visit was part of the 2006 California Legislative Tour. Along with a luncheon in honor of the guests, college speakers provided a presentation on the institution's signature programs, an update on the YCCD Measure E Program, and a talk on rural economic development and the rural community college. Dr. Riggs thanked Assembly member Dave Cogdill.

*Discussion not agendized*

*President Riggs reported there were two recent tragedies Vicki White (instructor) and Tammy Chase (student) died on campus and commended staff for excellent handling of the emergencies.*

National Geoscience  
Conference at Columbia  
College

President Riggs reported that the National Association of Geoscience Teachers (NAGT) held its Far Western Fall Conference from September 29 to October 1 at Columbia College. Keynote speakers were Dr. Rich Schweickert of the University of Nevada, Reno, and Dr. Cathy Busby of the University of California, Santa Barbara. Activities at the conference included field trips to study the tectonics and geology of the Mother Lode; geology of the Sonora Pass region; geology of Tuolumne Meadows and Yosemite; and hydrology of the Tuolumne River watershed. Dr. Jeff Tolhurst of Columbia College served as the conference coordinator.

War on Terrorism  
Presentation at Columbia  
College

President Riggs reported that two ex-members of the CIA were invited to express their conflicting viewpoints on the Iraq War at Columbia College. Presented by the Civic Engagement Project and titled "*War on Terror: Opposing Views from Inside the CIA,*" the program's first speaker was Ray McGovern on September 23. A former Soviet foreign policy analyst for 27 years in the CIA, McGovern is an outspoken critic of the war. Thomas Carroll will be the guest speaker on October 13 at 7:30 p.m. in the Dogwood Forum. Carroll spent seven of his ten years in the CIA on covert duty in the Middle East. He is a speaker, author, expert on espionage and terrorism, and strong supporter of America's military role in Iraq.

Columbia College Spotlight 2006	Dr. Riggs reported that the <i>Columbia College Spotlight</i> , a data and fact report for 2006, was recently completed and distributed. The annual report contains statistical data on the college's student trends over the past five years in the areas of enrollment, residency, age profiles, gender, ethnic diversity, financial aid, degrees/certificates and transfers. The report was produced as a collaboration between the College's marketing, Instructional Materials Center, and YCCD Office of Research and Planning.
Faculty and Staff Art Exhibit in Rotunda	Dr. Riggs invited everyone to view the works by Columbia College employees on exhibit through October 11 in the Rotunda of the Manzanita Building. The College's annual Faculty and Staff Art and Crafts Show features wood sculpture, photography, needlework, ceramics and knitted works for public viewing.
Claim Jumpers Gold Tourney Slated	Dr. Riggs reported that the Greenhorn Creek Resort in Angels Camp will be the site for the Columbia College Men's Basketball First Annual Golf Tournament on Sunday, October 29. The event starts with a luncheon buffet at 11:30 a.m., followed by registration at 12:30 p.m. and the shotgun start for the 18-hole captain's choice scramble at 1:00 p.m. Fees for a foursome are \$500. For details, contact Nathan Rien at 996-2225 (cell), or 588-5195.
54 <sup>th</sup> Annual MJC Ag Open House	MJC President Rich Rose invited the public to the 54 <sup>th</sup> Annual Agriculture Open House on Thursday, October 12, in the East Campus Agriculture Building. MJC Agriculture students will plan, construct and present displays featuring Agriculture majors offered at the College. Displays open at 5 p.m. with a BBQ dinner served 6 - 7 p.m. A program at 6:30 p.m. will honor the 2006 Honorary Young Farmer Degree recipients. Dinner tickets are available for \$7 and can be purchased in the Agriculture Office or reserved by calling 575-6200. Those not able to attend the dinner are invited to enjoy the program and displays free of charge.
MJC Transfer Day – College Night	Dr. Rose reported that MJC's Annual Transfer Day - College Night is scheduled for Wednesday, October 18, in the Student Center Rotunda on East Campus. Transfer Day will be held from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. targeting MJC students seeking to transfer to a four-year college. College Night is scheduled from 5:30 - 8:30 p.m., to assist high school students make plans to pursue a higher education. Both events are free to high school and college students and their parents. Representatives from approximately 55 colleges and universities will be on hand to answer questions and provide information on their institutions, including academic programs, admission procedures, transfers, financial aid, student life and more. Students will be able to pick up financial aid applications, collect literature and speak directly with staff members from each school.

MJC Hosts Global  
Dynamics of Power  
Seminar

Dr. Rose reported that MJC's honor society Phi Theta Kappa is hosting a lecture series "*Gold, Gods, and Glory: The Global Dynamics of Power*" that examines the influence of wealth, religion and fame on the distribution and uses of world power. Two of the live-feed, satellite seminars have already been held and two more are planned. Washington Post columnist Jeffrey Birnbaum is speaking on "*Money Talks: Lobbyists and the Power of Money in Washington*" on Tuesday, October 24, and Arun Gandhi (grandson of Mohandas Gandhi) sharing "*Lessons Learned from My Grandfather*" during the final seminar on Tuesday, November 14. The seminars are held at 4:30 p.m. in MJC's West Campus Sierra Hall, Room 132. Pre-lecture refreshments and conversation from 3:30-4:30 p.m. will be hosted at the same location. A satellite question and answer period follows each seminar. The series is free and open to the public and is sponsored through a \$3,000 grant from AFLAC Insurance.

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Presentations/Updates  
Enrollment Update

President Richard Rose reported that MJC currently has 6,283 FTES, translating to a headcount of 18,115 which is higher than Fall 2005. MJC instituted a series of 17 eight-week classes that will begin October 23 in an effort to boost Fall enrollment. The enrollment management and planning committee is reviewing reports and strategies. MJC is offering a weekend college in an effort to spike enrollment in Fall and Spring. This program is aggressively advertised in the Modesto Bee.

Vice President Dennis Gervin reported that Columbia College is working hard to increase efficiency and decrease overall cost of instruction. Columbia College is working to decrease the overall number of sections while maintaining the stable FTES generation. He thanked Central Services and Information Technology for their assistance with enrollment. Columbia College is offering 2% fewer sections and expects FTES to be even by end of Spring. Trustee Neumann asked why early summer is the most expensive semester. Dennis Gervin responded, stating that Columbia College has not hit the combination of classes that will fill to give the productivity needed. Currently FTES are at 905.15 and headcount is up.

Long- Term Investments

Executive Vice Chancellor Teresa Scott reported that the District's audit firm, Matson & Isom, presented the 2004-2005 Audit Report to the Board at their January Board meeting. During the presentation, there was a discussion on the District's handling of long-term investments, particularly those with maturities of five years or more. This is a follow-up to that discussion. District funds are invested in the Stanislaus County Treasury, Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF), an FDIC-insured bank account, or with a money manager for long-term

investments such as endowment funds (YCCD Board Policy 3320). District investments generally have a maturity of less than five years. However, sometimes endowment funds have longer maturities due to specific donor requirements. If the District wants to receive the endowment, the District must accept the specific donor requirements. The District currently has \$145,000 in endowment investments that have maturities of more than five years. These investments are listed below:

<b>District Fund</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Investment Amount</b>	<b>Maturity Rate</b>	<b>Date</b>
Scholarship-Mayman	US Treasury Note	\$30,000	5.000%	08/15/2011
Scholarship-Mayman	US Treasury Note	\$30,000	4.375%	08/15/2012
Scholarship-Colton	US Treasury Bond	\$10,000	10.375%	11/15/2012
Scholarship-Colton	US Treasury Bond	\$10,000	10.375%	11/15/2012
Scholarship-Colton	US Treasury Bond	\$ 5,000	10.375%	11/15/2012
Scholarship-Mayman	US Treasury Note	\$30,000	4.250%	08/15/2013
Scholarship-Mayman	US Treasury Note	\$30,000	4.000%	02/15/2014

**Bond Update**

Kitchell representative Mark Newton reported that the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) met last Wednesday, October 4, 2006. The CBOC expressed concerns about the ability for the District to deliver Phase 3 projects. Kitchell discussed the safeguards in place to track the budgets. A discussion item regarding the appointment of a student member appears later.

Cost estimates are being prepared for Science Natural Resources Center at Columbia College. Upon completion, the project committee will review and make necessary revisions to the program. Cost estimates have been prepared for Allied Health and Agriculture at MJC and the Child Development Center and the Madrone Building expansion projects at Columbia College. The project committees are working with Kitchell and the design team to ensure budget compliance. Columbia College conducted a three-hour open meeting to obtain input regarding the campus planning and development. Faculty, staff, students and the community were all encouraged to attend. If anyone was unable to attend and would like to give input, a questionnaire is located on the Measure E website.

Regarding the West Side Center, the MJC planning committee met October 2 to discuss demographics, educational master planning and programs to be included in the new center. Operational budget have begun and costs are being developed. Discussions have begun with San Joaquin Delta and Merced Colleges regarding class offerings at their satellite centers in Mountain House and Los Banos. The programs offered at the West Side Center needs to compliment the programs being offered by their college centers. Regarding the Calaveras Center, two proposed sites have been analyzed. A discussion item follows later.

The Columbia College Secondary (Emergency) Access Road has been completed. The Columbia College Bus Turn Around is close to completion. The contractor is completing punch list items. The MJC Auditorium project is moving quickly and parking off campus has been secured for contractors.

Faculty Consultant David Baggett encouraged discussions with other colleges about program offerings at the West Side Center. Chair DeMartini attended today's Open House prior to the tour and stated the joint activity by Columbia College, Kitchell and LPA was well organized and very impressive. Trustee Flores thanked the coordinators for allowing for feedback.

Board of Trustees Self-Evaluation

As called for in Board Policy 7745 and Accreditation Standards, the Board of Trustees conducted their annual Self-Evaluation process and assessed progress on their 2006-2007 goals at their annual Board Retreat. Each trustee completed an evaluation and the information was compiled. Chair DeMartini reported that the Board gave itself an average rating of B+. Highest scoring areas included relationships with community, trustee development and Board operations. The area which scored the lowest was the relationship with the Chancellor with a grade of B-. The Board indicated that their greatest strengths were in their shared purpose, self-criticism, and leadership. The greatest satisfaction comes from reports from students and the Board's evolving to meet new challenges. The areas of greatest concern to the Board included gaining fiscal stability, the hiring of permanent management staff, as well as completing Bond projects on schedule. Consensus was that the Board would like to find a different instrument to conduct the self-evaluation. Chair DeMartini stated that there is a need to acknowledge the positive performance of staff and to express appreciation for their work. As an aside, Chair DeMartini stated that a lot of administrative staff seated at the dias assisted the Board when there were difficulties with the Chancellor. The Board appreciates their efforts and thanked them for their work. Overall, the Board deserves a pat on the back for a job well done.

**ACTION ITEMS**

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Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Trustee Schrimp and seconded by Trustee Hallinan, that the Board approve the Purchase Orders and Acceptance of Gifts Consent Agenda as follows:

Purchase Orders

Purchase orders issued from August 1, 2006 to August 30, 2006.

Acceptance of Gifts

Accept the following gifts:

- a. A scanner from Larry Scheg to be used for the Literature & Language Arts Division at Modesto Junior College.

- b. Aloris CXA tool with two holders, and a topping head from Barry Waters to be used in the Machine Tool Technology program at Modesto Junior College.
- c. \$5,000 from Doctors Medical Center to be used for the Respiratory Care program at Modesto Junior College.

The motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

*Student Trustee Will McCombs arrived at 6:20 p.m.*

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Personnel Items

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

Grant retirement status to **Peter C. Daly**, Professor of Emergency Medical Services/Paramedic, Columbia College effective April 28, 2007 and officially commend him for nearly 8 years of valuable service to the District.

Approve the appointment of **Don Borges** to the position of Director of Agriculture Education Tech Prep, Ag & Environmental Sciences & Tech Ed, Modesto Junior College, effective September 1, 2006. This is a continuation of this position and continued employment will be based upon grant funding.

Approve the appointment of **Timothy Nesmith** to the position of Director of Facilities Planning & Operations, Yosemite Community College District, effective October 1, 2006.

Approve the promotional appointment of **Sara Hays** to the position of Permit Processing Technician III, Child Development Training Consortium, Yosemite Community College District, effective October 1, 2006, contingent upon funding.

Approve the probationary appointment of **Rose Hefley** to the position of Administrative Secretary, Student Learning Support Services & Curriculum, Columbia College, effective October 3, 2006.

Approve the probationary appointment of **Cheryl Villanueva** to the position of Support Staff II, Library – WebCT Help Desk, Modesto Junior College, effective September 25, 2006.

Approve the probationary appointment of **Donald Evans, Jr.** to the position of Performing Arts Production Specialist, Arts, Humanities & Communication, Modesto Junior College, effective October 16, 2006 (11-month work year).

Approve a temporary voluntary reduction in assignment for **Yan Yan Chan**, Accompanist, Arts, Humanities & Communication, Modesto Junior College, from 100% to 86%, effective August 28, 2006 to December 16, 2006.



Approve a temporary voluntary reduction in assignment for **Anne Shanto**, Performing Arts Costume Specialist, Arts, Humanities & Communication, Modesto Junior College, from 100% to 75%, effective August 28, 2006 to December 16, 2006.

Approve a temporary voluntary reduction in assignment for **Gary Fair**, Instructional Assistant II, Arts, Humanities & Communication, Modesto Junior College, from 100% to 92.5%, effective August 28, 2006 to December 16, 2006.

Approve a temporary increase in assignment for **Shirley Miranda-Brenes**, General Clerk, Student Success, Modesto Junior College, from 47.5% to 100% and from 10 month to 12 month, effective October 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007.

Accept the resignation of **Margaret Kingori**, Program Representative II, TRIO/Upward Bound, Modesto Junior College, effective September 15, 2006.

Accept the resignation of **Rita Matthews**, Instructional Assistant I (10%), Community Education, Modesto Junior College, effective August 20, 2006.

Accept the resignation of **Andrea Lotz**, Cook/Baker, Wawona Child Development Center, Family & Consumer Sciences Division, Modesto Junior College, effective October 3, 2006.

Approve the termination of employment of a probationary classified employee in the position of Support Staff I, Business, Behavioral and Social Science, Modesto Junior College, effective September 21, 2006.

#### Short-Term Appointees

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

The motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

#### DISCUSSION ITEMS

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Calaveras Center

In an effort to secure a donation of land, Columbia College, Kitchell and District staff have had numerous meetings to discuss possible site locations for the Calaveras Educational Center. Previously provided to the Board was the Calaveras Education Center – Site Study (**Report # 2203**). Mr. Mark Newton from Kitchell presented information on two parcels: Option A (Stelte Property) and Option B (County Office of Education Property). He compared the two site's access and visibility, environmental issues, city sphere of influence, land restrictions, utilities and future development potential/expandability.

**Option A (Stelte Property)**

- Approximately 23 acres
- Required 300 parking spaces
- Off-site improvements to roadways, bridge, and utilities are estimated at about \$4 million
- Land assessed at \$1.4 million

**Option B (County Office of Education Property)**

- Approximately 3 acres
- Site offers about 187 parking stalls, less parking than required
- Off-site improvements estimated at \$832,682
- Base land assessment at \$300,000

Mark Newton reported that the 3 acre property is less than what the college ideally needs to move forward with Option B. Kitchell would like to explore the possibility of more acres being opened adjacent to the County Office of Education Property. Calaveras County Superintendent of Schools John Brophy and Hugo & Paulette Stelte were in attendance and will provide comments regarding their parcels.

Dr. John Brophy stated that whichever site is selected the District will be welcomed with open arms into the community. The County Office is the educational hub for the State Department of Education in the county and provides easy access on Murphys Grade Road. This parcel includes utilities up to the property line and offers possibilities for partnership. Dr. Brophy concluded stating the County Board is flexible with arrangements of sale. Trustee Pat Dean thanked Dr. Brophy. Mrs. Paulette Stelte expressed her excitement when approached by President Jim Riggs and Trustee Pat Dean about their site for the proposed Calaveras Center. She voiced concern with the Option B and its proximity to the high school. Trustee Pat Dean hopes there are alternative options for this parcel. Chair DeMartini stated that according to Kitchell's report the suggested parcel needed for an educational center is at least 8 acres.

No motion was made by the Board of Trustees regarding this matter.

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Citizens' Bond Oversight  
Committee

Dr. Hodges reported that to date, one application from Donald Bunce, Modesto Junior College student, has been received. He stated that there is a search for a Columbia College student to serve on the CBOC. The deadline will continue to be extended for the Columbia College student application until the position is filled. Staff was encouraged to forward recommendations to the Interim Chancellor.

A motion was made by Trustee Neumann and seconded by Trustee Dean that the Board of Trustees appoint Donald Bunce, MJC student, as recommended by the Interim Chancellor.

The motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

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Resolution – Proposition  
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A motion was made by Trustee Neumann and seconded by Trustee Hallinan that the Board of Trustees adopt **Resolution No. 06-07/01** supporting the Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2006 and encourage students and voters to become aware of the pros, cons and impacts of its passage.

The motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

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MJC Dairy Judging Team  
and Swine Program Trips

Dr. Rose reported that the MJC Dairy Product Judging Team has qualified to compete in the North American International Livestock Expo Post-Secondary Dairy Cattle Judging Contest in Louisville, Kentucky; the National and Regional Dairy Products Judging Contest in Chicago, Illinois; and the Swine Exhibit and Sale at the Fall Classic in Duncan, Oklahoma. The Dairy Judging Team trips are scheduled for October 13-15, 29-31, 2006 and November 3-6, 2006. The Swine Program trip is scheduled for November 16-19, 2006. The approximate cost for the Regional Team trip in October is \$2500 and will be paid through fundraising and a small portion of VTEA funding. The approximate cost for the National Team trip in October is \$4,000 and will be paid through fundraising efforts. Contest organizers will also donate \$2,500 to the team. The approximate cost of the November Dairy Judging trip will be approximately \$3,000 and will be paid for through the Dairy Club and VTEA funding. The approximate cost of the November Swine Program trip will be approximately \$2,500. The trip will be paid for through Ag Department Swine Farm Trust account.

Dr. Rose stated that MJC has an outstanding Ag program and it is traditional for our Ag students to participate in judging contests at the national and international level and put forth a recommendation for travel. Trustee Neumann expressed that this is one of our finest programs and spreads the word of MJC through the country.

A motion was made by Trustee Neumann and seconded by Trustee Flores that the Board of Trustees approve the trips of the MJC Dairy Products Judging Team to Chicago, Illinois; the MJC Dairy Judging Team to Louisville, Kentucky; and Swine Program to Duncan, Oklahoma, as outlined above.

The motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

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2007 Summer Calendar

Chair DeMartini reported that for a number of years, the Yosemite Community College District has employed a 4/10 workweek during the summer months. Dr. Hodges reported that there is a need to confirm the calendar at this time in light of the Colleges making plans for summer schedules. Executive Vice Chancellor Teresa Scott reported that the cost savings from closing down on Fridays is estimated at about \$53,000 and rising due to escalating energy costs.

Trustee Dean directed questions to faculty and staff asking what their thoughts were of the 4/10 schedule and if it benefited students. Columbia College Academic Senate President Larry Steuben reported that the summer schedule does not impact faculty since the schedule does not differentiate much from the regular teaching schedule. Dr. Lynn Martin commented that the 10-hour days are brutal for staff; although there is a savings, most classified do not like the schedule. She proceeded to say students enjoy the summer schedule. Curtis Martin stated that the majority of the impact is felt by staff. Dr. Hodges reported that staff has the option of working 8-hour days and taking one day of vacation per week, so instead of working 4/10 they work a 4/8 schedule. Chair DeMartini expressed concern with the timing and a need to approve this item to proceed with planning for the summer semester.

A motion was made by Trustee Hallinan and seconded by Trustee Dean that the Board authorize the use of the 4/10 workweek for the period beginning April 30, 2007 and ending August 17, 2007.

The motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

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**COMMENTS**

From the Public

None.

From the Board of Trustees

Trustee DeMartini asked for a comment from Student Trustee Will McCombs regarding the 2007 Summer Calendar. He stated that during the summer, students enjoy having Friday's off due to the demand of summer classes. He also reported that he attended the State Board of Governors meeting, participated in the Ag facilities tour, and that the Ag program is collaborating with ASMJC. He informed the Board that Ms. Robbie Brinkman has stepped down as ASMJC Student Body President due to health reasons. He encouraged everyone to attend the *Nickel & Dime* show opening Friday at MJC and possibly the weekend of November 4 at Columbia College.

Trustee Neumann reported that Board members have been more than pleased with the Board Leadership; both Trustees

DeMartini and Dean have been proactive and have kept members informed. Secondly, he complimented Dr. Rose and acknowledged the changes that have come with the hiring of a permanent president and recognized that Dr. Rose is getting a handle on some of the difficult problems and issues at MJC. Trustee Neumann and staff members appreciate the work Dr. Rich Rose is doing at the College.

Trustee Dean met with the Columbia College Foundation. She and Dr. Riggs participated on a radio broadcast last week to discuss neighborhood views. She attended the President's Circle Brunch, as well as the Jazz and Wine Festival. She welcomed Dr. Smith to Columbia College and looks forward to working with her for a long time. Dr. Hodges reported that Trustee Flores' brother played at the festival.

Trustee DeMartini attended the Civic Engagement Project (CEP) event at MJC, a speech by Curtis Grant. She is part of a committee for the Regional Justice Training Program, their task is to recommend changes to improve the program and increase FTES. She attended the State Ag Board and BOG meetings and spoke of the recognition received by our Ag Department. She reported that the State Secretary of Agriculture AG Kawamura provided a plaque to the Ag Department and commended our Ag Department. Trustee DeMartini stated that it is impressive to be part of a Board of a college where the recognition of such a program exists. Trustees DeMartini and Neumann attended the Trustee candidate forums. She and Dr. Hodges attended a reception to honor the new Superintendent of Schools for the Newman/Crows Landing School District.

Trustee Delsie Schrimp attending a meeting with Dr. Riggs and members of the staff in Oakdale, this was the first meeting of the advisory committee for the Oakdale educational center. Various business persons attended and provided feedback on the types of classes they would like to see offered at the center and, classes that would help their employees and businesses. They are in search of possible locations for a site and are interested in possible land donations.

Trustee Hallinan stated that he may have one or two items placed on the November board agenda.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Wednesday, November 8, 2006.

Closed session will begin at 2:30 p.m. and end at 4:30 p.m. A reception to honor out-going Trustee Delsie Schrimp will take place from 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Open session at 5:30 p.m. in the YCCD Board Room, Yosemite Community College District, 2201 Blue Gum Avenue, Modesto, California.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

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Anne DeMartini, Chair  
YCCD Board of Trustees

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Stan Hodges, Secretary  
YCCD Board of Trustees