

**AGENDA**  
**YOSEMITE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**FIVE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FOURTH REGULAR MEETING**  
**October 8, 2008**

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**2:00 P.M.** Preceding the Board meeting, Board members will have the opportunity to tour the Columbia College Measure E Projects

**3:30 P.M.** Open Session - Call meeting to order in the Community Education Room, Manzanita Building, Columbia College, adjourn to closed session in YCCD Conference Room B

**CLOSED SESSION AGENDA:**

- Discussion:
1. Pursuant to G. C. Section 54957  
Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Appointment
  2. Pursuant to G. C. Section 54956.9(b)  
Significant Exposure to Litigation: Three Cases
  3. Pursuant to G.C. Section 54956.8 – Property Negotiator  
Conference with Real Property Negotiators (APN: 021-091-003, 021-091-004, 109-015-054, 109-015-071, 057-023-027, 057-023-028, 021-027-014, 025-006-034, 089-019-006)
  4. Pursuant to G. C. Section 54957.6 - Conference with Labor Negotiators  
District Representatives: T. Scott, G. Rose, D. Wirth  
Employee Organizations: CSEA

**5:30 P.M.** - Reconvene to open session – Community Education Room, Manzanita Building

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Report out from Closed Session (if any)

Approval of the Minutes

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the regular meeting on September 10, 2008 and the Board Fall Retreat on September 12, 2008.

Comments from the Public

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

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

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

**Televised Meetings:** Board meetings are televised on the two Fridays immediately following the meeting on Modesto Channel 96 or Channel 2 in greater Stanislaus County, from noon – 3:00 p.m.

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**I. REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS**

**A. Student Presentation - Baja Field Studies**

Columbia College received Board approval for the Biology 170BA (Baja Field Studies Course) which took place July 28-August 12, 2008. The program centered on environmental education and was taught by full-time Columbia College Biology instructor, Guy Van Cleave. Professor Van Cleave and participating students will present information to the Board of Trustees regarding the program.

**B. Student Activity Reports**

**C. Academic Senate Activity Reports**

**D. Activities and Announcements**

**Modesto Junior College – President Rose**

**1. Agriculture Department 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Open House**

MJC invites the public to the 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Agriculture Open House on Thursday, October 9, in the East Campus Agriculture Building. MJC Agriculture students will plan, construct and present displays, which feature the many Agriculture majors offered at the college. Displays will open at 5 p.m. with a BBQ dinner served 5 – 6:30 p.m. In addition to the many displays, there will be a program at 6:30 p.m. recognizing the 2008 Honorary Young Farmer Degree recipients.

**2. Ballot Measures Presentation**

A “Ballot Measures Pros and Cons” presentation will be held on Wednesday, October 15, 7-9 p.m. in Forum 110, on the East Campus of Modesto Junior College. The MJC Civic Engagement Project, Associated Students of Modesto Junior College and League of Women Voters of Stanislaus County are co-sponsoring the event followed by a question and answer session. The event is free and open to the public.

**3. MJC Theatre presents “A Midsummer Night’s Dream”**

The MJC Theatre department will present William Shakespeare’s “*A Midsummer Night’s Dream*,” directed by Professor Michael Lynch, on October 17, 18, 24, 25 at 7:30 p.m. and October 19 & 26 at 2 p.m. in the Performing and Media Arts Center’s Main Auditorium on East Campus. Shakespeare’s comedy portrays the adventures of young Athenian lovers lost in a magical forest ruled by fairies. Tickets are \$10 general, \$8 for students and seniors, and are available online at [mjc.tix.com](http://mjc.tix.com) and at the Box Office, Tuesday through Friday, 12 noon – 5 p.m., 575-6776. Tickets will also be available at the door.

I. **REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS**

D. **Activities and Announcements**

**Modesto Junior College, Continued – President Rose**

4. **Transfer Day and College Night**

MJC's annual Transfer Day & College Night is scheduled for Tuesday, October 21 in the Student Center Rotunda on East Campus. Transfer Day is held 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and targets MJC students seeking transfer to a four-year college. 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. College representatives will also be available from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. for College Night, which assists high school students in making plans to pursue a higher education. Both events are free and open to college students, high school students and their parents.

5. **MAPS Presentations**

Modesto Area Partners in Science (MAPS) will host a two-part Symposium on Energy Alternatives facilitated by Dr. Richard Anderson. Part 1 will be held on October 10 and Part 2 will be held on November 7, both at 6:30 p.m. in Forum 110. Part 1 presentations will include: "Making Electricity from Methane," "Gasohol from Corn," "The Nuclear Alternative." Presentations on Nov. 7 will include: "Photovoltaic Electricity Generation," "Biodiesel," and "Biomass Combustion: Electricity from Trash."

On October 24, MAPS presents "The Mathemagician" featuring Dr. Arthur Benjamin demonstrating his amazing calculator-like mind at 7:30 p.m. in the Mary Stuart Rogers Student Learning Center on West Campus. Dr. Benjamin is a professor of mathematics, author, and magician. He has combined his love of math and magic to create a dynamic "mathemagic" presentation suitable for all audiences, where he demonstrates and explains his secrets for performing rapid mental calculations.

MAPS presentations and symposiums are free and open to the public.

6. **Distinguished Lecture Series**

The Modesto Junior College Distinguished Lecture Series presents "An Evening with Frank Rich," on Saturday, November 15, at 7 p.m. in the Main Auditorium of the Performing and Media Arts Center on East Campus. Rich, a social-political Op-Ed columnist for the New York Times, will speak on "*Art Culture and Politics*." His presentation will include an insightful and entertaining analysis of the results of the national presidential election. He is the author of *Ghost Light*, a childhood memoir, *Hotseat: Theater Criticism for the New York Times*, a collection of his drama reviews, and his most recent book *The Greatest Story Every Sold*. Rich will sign books following his presentation. Tickets are on sale for \$25- \$45 for general admission and \$15 for student-only seating (student ID required) and are available online at [mjc.tix.com](http://mjc.tix.com). Tickets may also be purchased at the Box Office Tuesday-Friday, 12-5 p.m. or by calling 577-6776 during these hours. Sponsorships and \$100 VIP tickets, which include premium seating and a pre-speech reception with Rich, are available by calling 575-6703.

**I. REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS**

**D. Activities and Announcements**

**Columbia College – President Smith**

**1. Civic Engagement Project - Election 2008**

The Civic Engagement Project Committee at Columbia College invites the public to watch the presidential and vice-presidential debates. Debates are scheduled for viewing in Cedar 1 as follows: September 26, First presidential debate on foreign policy and national security; October 2, Vice-presidential debate; October 7, Second presidential debate; and October 15, Final presidential debate on domestic and economic policies in Cedar 1 with all programs running from 5:45 to 9:00 p.m. Discussion will follow in the Dogwood Forum.

Also in the Dogwood forum on October 23, there will be a review of candidates' positions (7-9 p.m.); on October 24, a Close look at Proposition 8 (7-9:30 p.m.); on October 30, a look at California Ballot Proposals (7-9 p.m.); and on November 4, Election returns (5-11 p.m.).

Additionally, every Wednesday and Thursday in October from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., the Manzanita Building area outside the Student Senate office will be a free speech zone where Republican and Democratic platforms will be discussed. Everyone will have an opportunity to exercise their right to free speech.

**2. Cellar Bistro Dinners**

The Cellar Bistro at Columbia College will offer contemporary cuisine dining on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 5 to 7 p.m. through November 25. The complete four-course dinners are planned, prepared and served by the college's culinary and pastry arts students. Costs range from \$15.95 to \$18.95 and reservations are accepted at 588-5300

## I. REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS

### E. Presentations/Updates

#### 1. MJC Accreditation Update

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

#### 2. Chancellor's Update/Stratus Report

In January 2008, YCCD Chancellor Darnell retained STRATUS, a higher education consulting firm, to produce a report that examines the development of Measure E identified off-campus sites in Patterson, Turlock, Oakdale and Calaveras County. The report provides an analysis of the composition of the YCCD community, identifies opportunities and constraints for each off-campus site, and offers planning implications and recommendations.

#### 3. ★Bond Update

**Annual Report – Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee** - The YCCD Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) reviewed the 2007-2008 Annual Report at their October 1, 2008 meeting. The Annual Report is one of the required duties of the CBOC that must be presented to the Board of Trustees in public session. It is intended to provide a summary of the Committee's proceedings and activities for the preceding year and state that the District is in compliance with the requirements of Article XIII A, Section 1(b) (3) of the California Constitution. Richard S. "Duke" York, Chair of the YCCD Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee, will present the report to the Board and will be available to answer questions.

The next meeting of the CBOC is tentatively scheduled for January 7, 2009, at 6:00 p.m. There are vacancies on the committee for MJC Student representative, Columbia College Student representative, and College Support Organization representative. Interested persons are encouraged to apply. Please contact the Chancellor's Office for additional information at 209-575-6509.

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

**Modesto Junior College: CEQA Compliance:** The soils testing required by DTSC has been completed. The tests are being analyzed prior to the preparation of the final report. The *Agriculture Multi-Use Pavilion* and the *Agriculture Beef and Sheep Unit* projects have been submitted to the Division of the State Architect (DSA) for review and approval. *Allied Health:* The submittal to DSA is expected to be returned by mid-October with comments; approval projected for mid-November. The *Parking Lot* project is currently bidding. Demolition will start after the occupants of the Champion Building move to leased space. Work on the parking lot will commence after the first two weeks of the spring term. *Softball Complex:* The construction documents phase is underway. *Science Community Center & GVM:* The project is currently in the design development phase. *Student Services:* The Schematic Design phase is nearly complete. A tree harvesting plan is being prepared and will be presented to the college upon completion of the plan.

**I. REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS**

**E. Presentations/Updates**

3. ☆Bond Update, Continued

**Current MJC Projects**

<b>PROJECT</b>	<b>STATUS</b>	<b>START CONSTRUCTION</b>
Auditorium	Complete	September 2006
Agriculture Beef & Sheep Unit	DSA	January 2009
Agriculture Housing	Bidding	January 2009
Agriculture Multi-Use Pavilion	DSA	January 2009
Allied Health	DSA	January 2009
Parking Lot	Bidding	October 2008
Science Community Center & GVM	Design Development	October 2009
Student Services	Schematic Design	October 2009
Softball Complex	Construction Documents	January 2009

**Columbia College:** *Child Development Center:* The project is currently bidding. Construction is expected to start in November of 2008. *Science and Natural Resources:* The construction document phase is underway. The project is scheduled to start construction July of 2009. The *Public Safety Center and the Madrone Building Project* are both currently under construction.

**Current Columbia College Projects**

<b>PROJECT</b>	<b>STATUS</b>	<b>START CONSTRUCTION</b>
Child Development Center	Bidding	November of 2008
Madrone Building	Construction	July 2008
Public Safety Center	Construction	May 2008
Science and Natural Resources	Construction Documents	July 2009

**Calaveras Educational Site:** The Measure E team is negotiating property purchase.

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

**West Side Educational Site:** The College and District have signed a donation agreement with a local land owner. As part of the due diligence process, environmental assessments are being conducted. Scoping meetings with MJC and Central Services staff to identify facility requirements and specifications continue.

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

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

## II. ACTION ITEMS

### A. Consent Agenda, Fiscal Services

1. ☆Purchase Orders

A recommendation is made that the Board of Trustees approve the purchase orders issued from August 1, 2008, through August 31, 2008.

2. Acceptance of Gifts

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

<b>Donor</b>	<b>Gift</b>	<b>Coll</b>	<b>Program</b>
United States Dept of the Interior	Mounted mountain lion	CC	Instruction at CC
Jim Riggs	4 VHS video tapes, 3 DVDs	CC	Columbia College Library
Nick Sciabica & Sons	128 plastic and 30 steel drums	MJC	Automotive Technology Program
Michelle Spaman	Miss Cherokee Chic, 3 year old registered quarter horse filly	MJC	Equine Program
Kim Lisle & Shane Parson	Eddy Wasn't Ready, 2 year old American Paint Horse	MJC	Equine Program
Staci Brown	Sheezan Absolute Teez, 2 year old Quarter Horse filly	MJC	Equine Program
Marlies Boyd	Boyds Hollywood Star, Yearling Quarter Horse Gelding	MJC	Equine Program
Calvin and Sherri Blocher	Drummers Little Lena, 6 year old American Paint horse	MJC	Equine Program
Kay Tarango	Lota Pleasure, 5 year old AQHA gelding	MJC	Equine Program
Ripon Garden Club	\$100	MJC	Floriculture Program
Edwards Heat Treating Service	50 pounds of crushed garnet blasting material	MJC	Machine Tool Technology Program

3. Addendum to Resolution Authorizing Signatures – 2008-2009

That the Board of Trustees approve the addition of the following language as an addendum to to Resolution NO. 07/08-09 Authorizing Signatures, previously approved on August 13, 2008:

“The College Presidents to approve textbook additions for the respective colleges during the academic year.”

**II. ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Consent Agenda, Fiscal Services**

4. Temporary Easement – Columbia College

Tuolumne Utilities District (TUD) is requesting a twenty-foot-wide, 5-Year Temporary Easement from October 9, 2008 through October 9, 2013. The purpose is to maintain the San Diego Ditch for installation, maintenance, and repair of water facilities at Columbia College. A recommendation is made that the Board of Trustees approve a Temporary Easement to the Tuolumne Utilities District for the purpose of maintaining the San Diego Ditch at the Columbia College Campus.

**B. Consent Agenda, Personnel**

1. Personnel Transactions

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

**PERSONNEL TRANSACTIONS LIST**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Department</b>	<b>College</b>	<b>Effective</b>
<b>Interim Appointment – Educational Administrator:</b>				
Don Low	Interim Dean of Student Services	Student Services	CC	10/27/08 – 1/31/09
<b>Appointment – Classified Management:</b>				
Deven Chew	Project Manager	Ag & Environmental Sci and Technical Ed	MJC	10/13/08 Contingent upon funding
<b>Lateral Transfer – Educational Administrator:</b>				
Judith Lanning	From Director of Basic Skills to Director of Workforce Development	Workforce Training Center	MJC	9/29/08
<b>Temporary Appointment – Academic:</b>				
Rebecca Plaza	Basic Skills Counselor	Counseling/Student Services	MJC	08 – 09 Academic Year Only
<b>Promotional Appointment - Classified:</b>				
Judy Gonzales	Administrative Secretary	Literature & Language Arts	MJC	10/1/08
<b>Probationary Appointments – Classified:</b>				
Shane Davis	Grounds Maintenance II	Facilities Planning & Operations	YCCD	10/9/08
Gisela Howe	Campus Security Dispatcher (40%)	Campus Security	YCCD	10/9/08
<b>Voluntary Reduction in Assignment - Classified:</b>				
Yan Yan Chan	Accompanist (100% to 75%)	Arts, Humanities & Communications	MJC	8/25/08 – 12/13/08
Martha Rice	Community Education Specialist (100% to 75%)	Community Education	MJC	9/10/08 – 12/9/08



**II. ACTION ITEMS**

**B. Consent Agenda, Personnel**

1. Personnel Transactions, Continued

**PERSONNEL TRANSACTIONS LIST**

<b>Increase in Assignment - Classified:</b>				
Scotty Gonser	Instructional Aide (80%), increase from 8 to 10 mo	Allied Health	MJC	10/9/08
<b>Terminations:</b>				
Probationary Classified Employee	Dispatcher (40%)	Campus Security	YCCD	9/11/08

2. Short-Term Appointee List

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

<b>Name</b>	<b>Classification</b>	<b>Department</b>	<b>Coll</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>
Alim, Victoria	Bookstore Cashier	Bookstore	CS	10/9/08	6/30/09
Canalita, Tina	Learning Asst/Tutor	Literature & Lang Arts	MJC	10/9/08	5/2/09
Camarillo, Javier	Learning Asst/Tutor	Pre-College Programs	MJC	10/9/08	6/30/09
Champa, Viengkham	Program Rep I	Early College/Tech Prep	MJC	10/9/08	6/30/09
Day, Diane	Accompanist	Arts & Sciences	CC	10/13/08	4/30/09
Johnson, D. Gail	Accompanist	Arts & Sciences	CC	1/12/09	4/30/09
Rapini, Doryene	IMC Coordinator	Instructional Materials Center	CC	7/14/08	10/8/08
Rapini, Doryene	IMC Coordinator	Instructional Materials Center	CC	10/9/08	6/30/09
Rodriguez, Patricia	Learning Asst/Tutor	Pre-College Programs	MJC	10/9/08	6/30/09
Schmidt, Kelli	Accompanist	Arts & Sciences	CC	10/13/08	12/13/08

3. Special Appointment – Campbell

That the Board of Trustees approve the appointment of Dr. Alexandra Campbell to serve on the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) evaluation team visiting Diablo Valley College on October 13 – October 17, 2008.

4. Special Appointment to the VIP/JPA Board of Directors - Scott

That Board of Trustees to appoint Ms. Teresa Scott to the management-level employee position to the VIP/JPA Board of Directors for a two-year term to begin October 1, 2008, and to expire September 30, 2010. Ms. Teresa Scott's (management-level employee) term expired September 30, 2008. Ms. Diane Wirth (alternate director position) and Mr. Abe Rojas (elected official position) are in the middle of two-year terms.

## II. ACTION ITEMS

### C. Consent Agenda, Student Travel

1. Baseball Competition – Carson City Nevada & Las Vegas, Nevada

MJC is seeking Board approval of the Fall out of state travel schedule for the Baseball team. Baseball coach Bo Aiello, three assistant coaches and the baseball team (40 students) will be attending. These students are enrolled in MPE 107, section #1445 and #1446. The team will travel to Carson City on September 25 & 26, 2008 and to Las Vegas on November 6-8, 2008.

2. Wrestling Competition – Ashland, Oregon

MJC is seeking Board approval of the Southern Oregon State College Tournament travel schedule for the wrestling team. The wrestling meet is Saturday, November 21-22 in Ashland, Oregon at 9:00 a.m. The team will travel on the 21<sup>st</sup> and compete on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Head Coach Lee Ehrler, an assistant coach and the wrestling team (14 students) will be attending. These students are enrolled in MPCVM 145.

3. Geology Summer Field Studies – Hawaiian Islands, Summer 2009

MJC is seeking Board approval of “Geology Study of the Hawaiian Islands” for Summer 2009. Geology of the Hawaiian Islands is a two week field trip June 5 – 19, 2009, with MJC instructor Garry Hayes instructing. Hawaii offers an incredibly diverse landscape that includes volcanoes, coral reefs, deep canyons, waterfalls, jungles, unexpected deserts and uniquely evolved animal species. This journey is expected to include three of the islands: the Big Island, Maui, and Kauai. Students are completely responsible for the \$2,500.00, plus airfare to the islands cost of the trip.

3. Shakespeare Live - Ashland, Oregon

Columbia College is seeking Board approval for a group of students and community members to travel to Ashland, Oregon, the home of the Oregon Shakespeare Festival from October 8-12, 2008. Together they experience 5-6 plays, acting workshops, prologues before each play, conversations with actors; and together we experience the kind of transformational learning that Columbia College aspires to offer.

## II. ACTION ITEMS

### D. Discussion Items

1. Modesto Junior College Accreditation Midterm Report & Special Report (R. Rose)

Modesto Junior College was informed in January 2008 that its Accreditation Progress Report had been accepted. The Commission also acted to place Modesto Junior College on Probation and to ask that the college correct the deficiencies noted. The college is required to complete a Special Report in conjunction with the Midterm Report by October 15, 2008. The report will be followed by a visit by Commission representatives.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees confirm that it has reviewed the Modesto Junior College Accreditation Focused Midterm Report and Special Report and direct staff to forward said Report to the Accrediting Commission by the October 15, 2008, deadline.

2. ☆YFA/YCCD Bargaining Proposal Reopener – Public Hearing (D. Wirth)

The Yosemite Faculty Association (YFA) and the District previously presented their 2008-2009 mutual bargaining proposal reopener. Consistent with state law and district policy, it is necessary for the Board of Trustees to conduct a public hearing on the proposal.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees conduct a public hearing regarding the YFA/YCCD 2008-2009 mutual bargaining proposal reopener.

**III. BOARD COMMENTS**

**Comments from the Board of Trustees**

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

**IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Wednesday, October 8, 2008. Closed Session will begin at 3:30 p.m. and Open Session at 5:30 p.m. at Columbia College, 11600 Columbia College Drive, Sonora, California.