

AGENDA
YOSEMITE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FIVE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIFTH REGULAR MEETING
November 12, 2008

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

CLOSED SESSION AGENDA:

- Discussion:
1. Pursuant to G. C. Section 54957
Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Appointment
 2. Pursuant to G. C. Section 54956.9(b)
Significant Exposure to Litigation: One Case
 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: D. Wirth
Employee Organizations: CSEA, YFA

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

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Report out from Closed Session (if any)

Approval of the Minutes

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the regular meeting on October 8, 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.**

I. REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Student Presentation - MJC Speech and Debate Team

Debate Team Coach Todd Guy and students Richard and Robert Birlew will share their MJC debate experiences with the Board. This team was recently ranked #1 Novice Team in Northern California.

B. Student Activity Reports

C. Academic Senate Activity Reports

I. REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS

D. Activities and Announcements

Modesto Junior College – President Rose

1. 2008 Award of Distinction

David Todd, CSEA Chapter 420, Public Relations Officer received the 2008 Award of Distinction – Best Use of Photography in Print in CSEA's statewide communications competition. In August, a presentation announcing the winners was made at the CSEA 82nd Annual Conference in Las Vegas. David has been the CSEA Chapter Public Relations Officer and has won several awards.

2. General Excellence Award for Journalism

The Pirates' Log was presented with the General Excellence Award by the Northern California section of the Journalism Association of Community Colleges in October. The award evaluates the overall content and presentation of student newspapers based on three consecutive issues during the Spring 2008 semester. MJC graduates Don Bunce and Eric Wendt placed first and third respectively for their columns published in the Log, and both have transferred to California State University, Chico. Elizabeth North also won an Honorable Mention for a profile feature story. Congratulations to Professor of Journalism and Pirates Log advisor Laura Paull, and her award-winning students!

3. Choral and Handbell Concert

The MJC Music Department will present a Choral and Handbell Concert entitled "My Spirit Sang All Day" on November 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the Main Auditorium of the Performing and Media Arts Center. MJC's Concert Choir and Chamber Singers will be joined by special guests, the Opus Handbell Ensemble, to present a concert program featuring the music of G.F. Handel, Gerald Finzi, Z. Randall Stroepe and others. Tickets will be for sale at the door for \$5 general admission and \$4 for students and seniors.

4. MAPS Presentation - Plight of Local Salmon

Modesto Area Partners in Science will explore the topic "Declining Salmon Populations, Climate Change, Shrinking Rivers, Dirty Water...Can We Fix This?" on November 21 at 7:30 p.m. in Forum 110 on East Campus. During his presentation, Tim Heyne, a senior scientist with the California Department of Fish and Game's Tuolumne River Restoration Center, will discuss the latest research on the life history of Chinook salmon, provide insight and perspective on the current state of salmon fisheries in our local rivers and will highlight the anthropogenic and natural factors involved.

I. REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS

D. Activities and Announcements

Modesto Junior College – President Rose, Continued

5. Jazz and Symphonic Band Concerts

The MJC Music Department will hold two free concerts. The "Bebop and Beyond" Jazz Concert will be offered on November 17 at 7:30 p.m. in the Main Auditorium of the Performing and Media Arts Center. This evening's program features MJC's Day Jazz Band directed by Erik Maki and the Evening Jazz Band, directed by Dan Maas. The program includes big band style jazz, rock and swing, and will also feature a special guest artist. The second free evening of music will be "Fall Fanfares and Flourishes" presented by the MJC Symphonic Band Concert, also under the baton of Maki, on November 24 at 7:30 p.m. in the Main Auditorium.

6. 2008 Student Art Exhibition

The 2009 Modesto Junior College Student Art Exhibition will be on display from November 17 through December 3 in the MJC Art Gallery on East Campus. The Art Exhibit will showcase student work from various MJC art and photography classes and is free of charge during Art Gallery hours, Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. A free reception will kick off the exhibit on November 18, 2-4 p.m., in the Art Gallery.

7. Interior Design Students to Hold a Green and Sustainable Design Expo

The MJC students of Professor Ann Lowry's Interior Design 190 class will hold a Green and Sustainable Interior Design Expo on November 18, 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. in the Student Center on East Campus. The Expo will provide information on the latest ways to save energy, improve indoor air quality, and learn to evaluate a home to increase its value. Displays will showcase residential products, processes and resources. The event is free to the public.

I. REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS

D. Activities and Announcements

Columbia College – President Smith

1. Entrepreneurship Program Planned

The Governor's Career Technical Education (CTE) Initiative is funding an entrepreneurship program for Tuolumne and Calaveras County students in grades 7 to 12 to learn how to successfully create and sustain a small business. The overall educational track will lead the students from their middle or high schools into programs of study at Columbia College, and beyond. It is also being supported by resources from the Lyles Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship at CSU Fresno. Ida Ponder, a Columbia College business professor, and Sue Clark, Columbia College Program Specialist, are the coordinators of this project.

A recently-formed planning committee of business and educational leaders, the Community Entrepreneurship Collaborative, will review project plans and consider steps to develop the program. Among the goals of the project are career exploration, development of a Certificate of Achievement in entrepreneurship from the College, internships in local business and industry, and more.

2. Zahniser Receives ACF Certification

Jeffrey Zahniser, a Columbia College adjunct culinary instructor, earned the Certified Executive Chef (CEC) designation from the prestigious American Culinary Federation (ACF). After graduating with honors from The Culinary Institute of America, Zahniser was the executive chef at the City Hotel in Columbia, was owner/operator of a catering company in Los Angeles, and served as executive chef for Wyndham Hotels in Southern California. Along with teaching part-time for the college, he is also a full-time food services manager at the Rite of Passage Charter School's Sierra Ridge Academy.

3. Child Development Center Groundbreaking

Groundbreaking ceremonies for Columbia College's Child Development Training and Family Care Services Center were held on November 7 at the center's future site. The facility will be composed of five integrated single-level buildings, totaling 13,100 sq. ft. The buildings will house an Infant Center, Toddler Center, Preschool Center, Family Care Services and Administration Center, and an adult classroom building for child development instruction. Anticipated project completion date is December 2009. The groundbreaking was emceed by Connie Mical, Columbia's Vice President of Administration. Other guest speakers were Tiffney Flies, Kathy Sullivan and Adrienne Webster, Child Development Project committee chairpersons; Dr. Joan Smith; Dr. Roe Darnell; and Area 1 Trustee Pat Dean. Trustee Paul Neumann and other District representatives were also in attendance.

I. REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS

D. Activities and Announcements

Columbia College – President Smith, Continued

4. Calaveras Center Art Show & Reception

Columbia College hosted the Calaveras Center Art Show & Reception to showcase the works of Lori Hanson's art students on November 7 at the center in Angels Camp. The show highlighted Hanson's students, from her watercolor and portrait classes. Their works will be on display for public viewing through November 26. Music for the reception was provided by Keith Evans on guitar and Kim Manuel on standup bass. Hors d'oeuvres were prepared by the college's culinary and pastry arts students.

5. Columbia College Transfer Day

Over 400 students from Tuolumne and Calaveras Counties attended Columbia College's Transfer Day on October 23. Among the schools represented were Amador High, Argonaut High, Calaveras River Academy, Cassina High, Connections Academy, Curtis Creek Elementary School, Sonora High, Summerville High, and numerous local independent study schools. Participating UCs, CSUs and private universities provided promotional materials and details about their educational institutions, namely enrollment, scholarships, financial aid, student/campus life, and other relevant information.

6. X-Reg Gets High Scores by Attendees

Columbia College held its second annual Xtreme Registration on August 9 and based on student evaluations, it was a success. Of the 113 attendees, who turned in X-Reg evaluations, 93% felt it was worthwhile and 85% stated that they found everything they needed. 93% of respondents attended orientation, 85% took assessment placement tests, and 72% took advantage of advisement. Those who visited the bookstore totaled 42%, the business office 26%, and the financial aid office 38%. About half of the respondents got their student ID cards and visited the Admissions and Records office during X-Reg. Finally, 86% said that they would recommend the activity to new students.

I. REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS

E. Presentations/Updates

1. MJC Accreditation Update

President Rich Rose will provide the Board with an update regarding Modesto Junior College's accreditation status.

2. Chancellor's Update

Chancellor Darnell will provide the Board with updates regarding State/District issues and upcoming events.

3. Fiscal Services Update

According to Board Policy 3330, transactions of \$10,000 or more shall be reviewed by the Board every 60 days and are listed in the purchase orders on the Board's Consent Agenda. The transactions below are provided as further information for September 23, 2008, to October 27, 2008:

Service Agreements – Non-Construction

Vendor	Cost	Location	Purpose
San Francisco Chanticleer	\$10,000	MJC	Engagement Agreement
Augusoft	\$27,000	MJC	License and Subscription Agreement
California Collegiate Brain Trust	\$26,500- \$37,100	MJC	Addendum to Proposal

4. Accountability Reporting for the Community Colleges (ARCC)

The Board of Trustees previously received a copy of the 2008 ARCC Report "Focus on Results" with information specifically pertaining to Columbia College and Modesto Junior College. The 2008 ARCC report builds upon the 2007 pilot report through various improvements in data quality, a new year of data, and the piloting of a new performance indicator for noncredit coursework. The seven College Level Performance Indicators include: Student Progress & Achievement, Completed 30 or More Units, Fall to Fall Persistence, Vocational Course Completion, Basic Skills Course Completion, Basic Skills Course Improvement and ESL Course Improvement.

Dennis Gervin, Vice President for Student Learning, Columbia College, and Bob Nadell, Vice President of Student Services, Modesto Junior College, will address the Board regarding their respective college data which were included in the report and how the information can be utilized to increase student success, enrollment and retention.

I. REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS

E. Presentations/Updates

5. Valley Insurance Program Joint Powers Authority 2006-2007 Annual Report

The Valley Insurance Program (VIP) JPA is in its 22nd year of continued and successful operations. VIP remains committed to its mission to fulfill the trust delegated by the member districts to provide comprehensive, cost-effective risk management programs which protect the Districts' human and financial resources even in a challenging environment of decreasing revenues and increasing costs. The four members of the VIP include Merced, State Center, West Hills, and Yosemite Community College Districts. The risk management programs cover Workers' Compensation, Liability, Property, Employment Practices Liability, and Auto Physical Damage. Kim Santin, VIPJPA administration, will present the report which was previously provided to the Board.

6. ★Bond Update

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

Modesto Junior College: West Campus CEQA Compliance: The soils testing report has been completed and sent to DTSC for documenting findings. DTSC will review and respond. 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. Comments are expected back in early November. *Allied Health:* Construction documents were submitted to DSA for review and comment. The *Parking Lot* project has bid under budget and will start construction February 2009. *Softball Complex:* The construction documents phase is underway. *Science Community Center & GVM:* Design Development has been completed and a Value Engineering Session has been scheduled for November 13 and 14. *Student Services:* The Schematic Design phase is complete. The new budget estimates are being reviewed by the College.

Current MJC Projects

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

★Denotes Attachment

I. REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS

E. Presentations/Updates

6. ☆Bond Update, Continued

Columbia College: *Child Development Center:* The project bid on Thursday October 30, 2008. Construction is expected to start in November of 2008. A Ground Breaking Ceremony has been scheduled for November 7, 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:* Under construction. *Madrone Building Project:* under construction.

Current Columbia College Projects

PROJECT	STATUS	START CONSTRUCTION
Child Development Center	Bidding	November 2008
Madrone Building	Construction	July 2008
Public Safety Center	Construction	May 2008
Science & 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 continue with MJC and Central Services staff to identify facility requirements and specifications. A President's Task Force Committee has been formed and is working on the academic requirements for the new facility.

Turlock Educational Site: Various properties are being considered for 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 September 1, 2008, through September 30, 2008.

2. Acceptance of Gifts

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

Donor	Gift	Coll	Program
Sierra Resource Management	4 chainsaw safety chaps	MJC	Forestry Program
Carol Fontana	Baldwin Baby Grand Piano	MJC	Music/Arts Program
J.M. Equipment	Service Truck With Compressor	MJC	Power Mechanics Program
Choice Electric, Inc.	\$100.00	MJC	Natural Resources Club

3. Sabbatical Leave Reports

Final Reports have been received and approved by the college presidents for the MJC and Columbia College faculty who were on sabbatical leave in 2007-2008. Copies of the summary reports have previously been provided to the Board. A recommendation is made that the Board of Trustees accept 2007-2008 sabbatical leave reports from the following faculty:

Academic Year 2007-2008

Timothy Hobert – MJC
Sharon Llewellyn – MJC
Alejandro Sabre – MJC
Richard Serros – MJC

Fall Semester 2007

Laurie Sylwester – CC
Li Chang Accurso – CC
Hardev Dhillon – MJC
Sam Pierstorff – MJC

Spring Semester 2008

Jim Toner – CC
Kim Gyuran – MJC
Derek Madden – MJC
Mary Roslaniec – MJC

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II. ACTION ITEMS

B. Consent Agenda, Personnel

1. Personnel Transaction Items

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

PERSONNEL TRANSACTION LIST

Name	Position	Department	Coll	Effective
Retirements:				
Connie Mical (18 years of service)	Vice President, Administration	Institutional Operations	CC	6/30/09
Richard Anderson (20 years of service)	Professor of Biology/ Microbiology	Science, Math & Engineering	MJC	5/4/09
Appointment – Classified Management:				
Kent Olson	Executive Director	MJC Foundation	MJC	11/1/08
Probationary Appointment (1st Year Contract) – Academic:				
Suzanne Hulse	Instructor of Chemistry	Science, Math & Engineering	MJC	Spring 2009
Promotional Appointment - Classified:				
Ranai Carlton	Laboratory Assistant I (11months)	Bus., Behavioral & Social Sci.	MJC	10/1/08
Linda Watkins	Administrative Secretary	Student Learning	CC	11/13/08
Probationary Appointments – Classified:				
Nora Seronello	College Research Analyst	Research & Planning	MJC	12/1/08
Corin Stoneham	Mechanic III	Transportation	YCCD	11/3/08
Breanna Binda	Support Staff II (10-month work year)	Pre-College Programs	MJC	10/13/08 Contingent upon funding
Lavonna Routt	Financial Aid Technician II	Financial Aid/Scholarships	MJC	10/9/08 Contingent upon funding
Jason Romano	Laboratory Assistant II (80%)	Culinary Arts	CC	11/13/08
Serei Chheav	Programmer Analyst II	Information Technology	YCCD	12/1/08
Janelle Doornebal	Support Staff II	Child Development Training Consortium	YCCD	11/3/08
Erik Schrantz	Campus Security Officer I (80%)	Campus Safety	CC	12/1/08
Justin Brown	Instructional Assistant II – Music	Arts, Humanities & Comm	MJC	11/3/08
Elida Miranda	Outreach Recruiter	Financial Aid	MJC	11/13/08 Contingent upon funding
Increase in Assignment - Classified:				
Robin Frazier	Registered Nurse I, temporary increase from 75% to 100%	Health Services	MJC	9/29/08 - 5/2/09
Linda Kong	Instructional Assistant II, temporary increase from 70% to 100% and from 10 to 12 months	Science, Math & Engineering	MJC	11/1/08 - 6/30/09

II. ACTION ITEMS

B. Consent Agenda, Personnel

1. Personnel Transaction Items, Continued

PERSONNEL TRANSACTION LIST

Name	Position	Department	Coll	Effective
Increase in Assignment - Classified:				
Scotty Gonser	Instructional Aide, permanent increase from 80% to 100%	Allied Health	MJC	11/1/08
William Lotko	Laboratory Assistant II, temporary increase from 10 to 12 months	Technical Education	MJC	7/1/08 - 6/30/09
Resignations:				
Janice Bates	Director of Health Services	Health Services	MJC	10/3/08
Greg Ryan	Director of Financial Aid	Financial Aid	CC	10/24/08

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).

Name	Classification	Department	Coll	Start Date	End Date
Baldevia, Brandalyn	Support Service Aide	Child Development	MJC	11/13/08	6/30/09
Barrera, Thor	Learning Assistant/ Tutor	Pre-College Programs	MJC	11/13/08	6/30/09
Castro, Luis	Learning Assistant/ Tutor	Pre-College Programs	MJC	11/13/08	6/30/09
Dnesi, Harpreet	Learning Assistant/ Tutor	Pre-College Programs	MJC	11/13/08	6/30/09
Gilbert, Douglas	Learning Assistant/ Tutor	Pre-College Programs	MJC	11/13/08	6/30/09
Hilgen, Dan	Range Coordinator	Business, Behavioral & Social Sciences	MJC	11/13/08	6/30/09
Magaña-Gentry, Gloria	Support Staff I	Student Services	MJC	11/13/08	6/30/09
Munshaw Rodriguez, Christopher	Program Rep II	Student Development	MJC	11/13/08	6/30/09
Samuel, Nirona	Program Aide	TRIO/Pre-College	MJC	11/13/08	6/30/09
Vang, Va	Laboratory Assistant I	Library & Information Technology	MJC	11/13/08	6/30/09
Velasco, Rolando	Learning Assistant/ Tutor	Pre-College Programs	MJC	11/13/08	6/30/09
Weaver, James	Learning Assistant/ Tutor	Pre-College Programs	MJC	11/13/08	6/30/09
Wood, Tammy	Learning Assistant/ Tutor	Literature & Language Arts	MJC	11/13/08	6/30/09

II. ACTION ITEMS

B. Consent Agenda, Personnel, Continued

3. Adjunct Faculty Appointee List

A recommendation is made that the Board of Trustees approve the following list of adjunct faculty appointments:

Name	Discipline	Department	Coll	Effective
Cross, Jill	Biology	Science, Math & Engineering	MJC	Spring 2009
Hall, Steven	Fire Science	Regional Fire Training Center	MJC	Spring 2009
Kerr, Josh	Philosophy	Business, Behavioral & Social Science	MJC	Spring 2009
Marchy, Lori	Agriculture	Agriculture & Environmental Sciences	MJC	Spring 2009
Sala, Alina A.	L.D. Specialist	Special Programs/DSPS	MJC	9/29/08
Schroeder, Katherine	Biology	Science, Math & Engineering	MJC	Spring 2009
Scott, Bob	Music	Arts, Humanities & Communications	MJC	Spring 2009
Zinner, Dennis	Anatomy	Science, Math & Engineering	MJC	Spring 2009

C. Consent Agenda, Student Travel

1. MJC Livestock Judging Team Phoenix, Arizona

MJC is seeking Board approval of the Livestock Judging Team competition in Phoenix, Arizona. The MJC Livestock Judging Team has been invited to compete in the Arizona National Collegiate Livestock Judging Contest. Mr. Mendes and Mr. Scarborough, MJC Livestock Judging Team coaches, are in the process of planning a trip for 8 team members that will span from Monday, December 29, 2008 to Thursday, January 1, 2009. The cost of the trip for the coaches and team members will be approximately \$2,500.00. The trip will be paid through CTE, Departmental Travel and/or Livestock Club funds.

D. Consent Agenda, Academic Calendars

1. 2008-2009 Academic Calendars

The 2008-2009 academic calendars for Columbia College and Modesto Junior College are being finalized by the Academic Calendar Committee and will be presented at this meeting for review and approval by the Board.

II. ACTION ITEMS

E. Discussion Items

1. ☆ Quarterly Report on the District's Financial Condition

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 September 30, 2008. A copy of the statement is attached. 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.

Staff will be available during the Board meeting to formally present the report, respond to questions, and to amplify where necessary.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Trustees:

- a. Conduct a public hearing to review the District's financial report for the quarter ended September 30, 2008;
- 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.

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 annual reorganization meeting and the next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Wednesday, December 10, 2008. Closed Session will begin at 3:30 p.m., Open Session at 5:30 p.m., Yosemite Community College District, District Board Room, 2201 Blue Gum Avenue, Modesto, California.