

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

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Abe Rojas at 3:30 p.m. Trustees 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
 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 Representative: D. Wirth
Employee Organizations: CSEA, YFA

The Board of Trustees reconvened to Public Session at 5:30 p.m. in the 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 Paul Neumann Pat Dean Linda Flores Desirree Abshire Tom Hallinan
Board Members Absent	Bernard Vasquez (Student Trustee)
Others Present	G. Rose, R. Rose, J. Smith, N. Stavrianoudakis, R. Darnell, T. Scott, D. Wirth, J. Sahlman, D. Gervin, D. Baggett, J. Swank, K. Walters-Dunlap, C. Mical, B. Nadell, M. Adams, R. Faughn, G. Whitfield, M. Newton, M. Kennedy, J. Perez, T. White, T. Nesmith, L. Hoile, J. Daly, B. Crow, K. Gardner, I. Nunez, J. Codoni, D. Todd, L. Todd, C. Sampson, M. Riley and S. Akiona (Recorder).
Special Introduction	Newly elected Trustee Mike Riley was present and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Riley will be sworn in at the December meeting.
15,902 Report Out From Closed Session	There was no report out from closed session.

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Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Trustee Dean and seconded by Trustee Neumann that the Board of Trustees approve the Minutes of the regular meeting on October 8, 2008.

The motion carried with a vote of 5-0. Trustees Abshire and Hallinan abstained.

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COMMENTS
From the Public

There were no comments from the public.

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Student Presentation –
MJC Speech and Debate
Team

MJC Professor and Debate Team Coach, Todd Guy, presented information to the Board regarding the successes of the MJC Debate Team. At a recent regional university tournament, the Team was named the top Community College Debate Team and top Debate Team in Northern California, beating second place UC Berkeley for that title. Ten of this year's team members were finalists and received top awards at various state and national events. Team member and MJC student Jeff Dauber addressed the Board and thanked them for their support. Mr. Dauber is currently applying to transfer to the UC system and stated that his extensive debate team experiences enhance his university applications. Team member and MJC student Heather Rayburn stated that, through her debate team experiences, she has grown as a person and as a competitor. She remains committed to the Debate Program and is returning to assist the upcoming team.

Professor Guy thanked Trustee Neumann for his dedication to MJC and the District through his service as a faculty member and trustee. Trustee Dean thanked Professor Guy and the team for sharing their successes with the Board.

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Student Activity Reports

ASMJC President Taylor White reported that ASMJC registered over 500 voters for this election and conducted various political activities on campus which included forums on ballot measures and forums on Presidential and Assembly candidates. ASMJC also sponsored a Halloween Carnival and Hispanic Heritage events. Mr. White attended the State Student Senate Assembly where discussions were held regarding the State Budget Crisis and its impact on the Student Senate. During the Assembly, Mr. White presented a resolution to solicit donations to continue the State Student Senate. The State Student Senate is organizing political events to voice their concerns regarding the State Budget. Mr. White would like to have more discussions regarding textbook costs at the College and District level and thanked Chancellor Darnell for his participation in the statewide textbook summit.

There was no report from Columbia College.

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Academic Senate Reports

Columbia College Academic Senate President Elect, Erik Andal, reported on behalf of President Anne Cavagnaro. The Senate continues to work on the implementation of Title V changes and continues its work on program review and Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs). Progress is continuing on CurricuNet and the New Faculty Mentors program. The Civic Engagement Voter Awareness series was successful.

Professor Andal, on behalf of Columbia College, presented Trustee Neumann with a Certificate of Recognition for his service to Columbia College and the District.

MJC Academic Senate President Jim Sahlman reported that a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has been signed with President Rose regarding the hiring prioritization process for the remainder of the academic year. The Accreditation & Institutional Effectiveness committee is developing a review process to evaluate the work of all standing committees. The Planning & Budget Committee is developing criteria for faculty hires and will develop criteria for supplies, resources and other staffing hires. The Curriculum Committee continues its work on implementation of Title V changes, course approval, basic skills, SLOs and distance education. The Professional Development Committee is reviewing Flex and professional development opportunities. Professor Sahlman's term as accreditation co-chair has ended, and he expressed concern that no faculty have volunteered to replace him in that position. Faculty must remain a part of the accreditation process. Faculty express concerns taking on this role and have questions regarding release time, compensation and the possible negative effects on their educational program. Jim Sahlman requested that criteria be set to compensate a faculty member who serves as accreditation co-chair. Professor Sahlman stated that leadership and civility at the college are an urgent matter and urged the Board to provide leadership in this area. Chancellor Darnell stated that he sent an email to the District community regarding civility and a Board policy is being prepared for Board review and approval.

**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:

2008 Award of Distinction

CSEA Chapter 420 President, Ms. Roseanne Faughn, and state CSEA representatives presented David Todd, CSEA Chapter 420 Public Relations Officer with the 2008 Award of Distinction – Best Use of Photography in Print in CSEA's

statewide communications competition. The winners were announced in August at the CSEA Annual Conference in Las Vegas.

General Excellence Award
for Journalism

The Pirates' Log received the General Excellence Award from the Northern California section of the Journalism Association of Community Colleges in October. 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.

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. MJC's Concert Choir and Chamber Singers will be joined by special guests, the Opus Handbell Ensemble.

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. Presenter Tim Heyne, a scientist with the California Department of Fish and Game's Tuolumne River Restoration Center.

Jazz and Symphonic Band
Concerts

The MJC Music Department will hold two free concerts. The "Bebop and Beyond" Jazz Concert on November 17 featuring MJC's Day Jazz Band directed by Erik Maki and the Evening Jazz Band, directed by Dan Maas. "Fall Fanfares and Flourishes" presented by the MJC Symphonic Band Concert, also under Maki, is scheduled for November 24.

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.

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 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.

Columbia College

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

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.

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).

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.

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.

Columbia College Transfer Day

Over 400 students from Tuolumne and Calaveras Counties attended Columbia College's Transfer Day on October 23. 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.

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. Ninety-three percent 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.

Presentations/Updates

MJC Accreditation Update

MJC President Rich Rose reported that the two members of the Accreditation Team conducted a day and a half follow-up visit last week. MJC provided documentation regarding its newly developed decision-making process and an addendum to the reports previously provided. The two-member team met with the President, Vice President, Presidents of CSEA, ASMJC and Academic Senate, the SLO Coordinator; observed meetings of the Accreditation & Institutional Effectiveness and Budget & Planning Committees; and concluded with a meeting with the Chancellor. The visiting team expressed concern regarding the sustainability of MJC's plans. MJC will receive a report in a few weeks and anticipates that a determination regarding probation will be communicated in December.

Chancellor's Update

Chancellor Darnell reported that, as part of the presidential evaluation at both colleges, evaluation surveys were electronically provided to college staff for their participation in the process. Those results will be shared with the presidents and the Board. A reorganizational meeting of the Board will be held in December, preceding the regular meeting. The Board will appoint a new chair and vice chair, appoint Board representatives and set its meeting calendar for 2009. In response to a previous Board request, the Chancellor provided the Board with a written 4/10 Summary Schedule Analysis. A link to the complete Analysis was provided to the District community and is available on the District website. The 2009 4/10 summer schedule will be presented to the Board for consideration at the December meeting. Dr. Darnell reported that the amount of mid-year State Budget cuts is still uncertain and an increase in enrollment fees is likely. Board Policy and Procedures are under review by the District committee and the Chancellor will soon present revisions to the Board for a first reading. AACC has requested that Trustees complete a survey regarding Board governance. The Board will complete and return to AACC.

Fiscal Services Update

The Board received the Fiscal Services update as follows:

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

Accountability Reporting for the Community Colleges (ARCC)

Dennis Gervin, Vice President for Student Learning, Columbia College, and Bob Nadell, Vice President of Student Services, Modesto Junior College, addressed the Board regarding their respective college data which were included in the report. The Board previously received a copy of the 2008 ARCC Report "Focus on Results" (**Report #2264**) with information specifically pertaining to Columbia College and Modesto Junior College. The 2008 ARCC report builds on 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. Vice Presidents Gervin and Nadell reviewed with the Board each of the colleges' specific indicators, discussed how those indicators compare to their respective state peer group, and discussed with the Board how the information can be utilized to increase student success, enrollment and retention.

Valley Insurance Program Joint Powers Authority 2006-2007 Annual Report

Executive Vice Chancellor Teresa Scott introduced Kim Santin, VIP/JPA representative, who reviewed the role of the VIP/JPA and the Annual Report (**Report #2265**). The Annual Report was previously provided to the Board. The Valley Insurance Program (VIP) JPA is a public agency in its 22nd year providing comprehensive, cost-effective risk management programs, self-insurance coverage and risk control and training to its four members: 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. Chair Rojas serves as a VIP/JPA Director and Ms. Scott serves as an Executive Member and Treasurer. Advantages to the District's membership in this JPA include shared risk with similar entities, flexible coverage, safety and risk control programs, tailored services and training, and long-term cost stability. There is minimal overhead, members oversee the management of claims and have strong relationships with excess carriers.

Bond Update

Kitchell representative, Mark Newton, gave a PowerPoint Presentation on the Child Development Center project at Columbia College. Groundbreaking ceremonies were held last Friday. The center will consist of five buildings and approximately 13,000 square feet. The site plans call for a "residential feel" that will be child friendly. The building will provide natural lighting, porches, and skylights. The project was budgeted at \$6 million, with a final bid of \$5.5 million. The bid savings will be applied to adding to the facility a gazebo, outdoor learning center, full landscaping and playground infrastructure. Construction will begin this month, completion is set for December 2009, with occupancy in 2010.

The Board received the following update on 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 take approximately one month to 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

Columbia College: 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

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Consent Agenda

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

Purchase Orders

Approve the purchase orders issued from September 1, 2008, through September 30, 2008.

Acceptance of Gifts

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

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

Trustee DeMartini commented that the Summary Reports provided to the Board have improved and thanked the colleges and faculty for their efforts.

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Personnel Items

Approve the Personnel Transaction list below:

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
Probationary Appointment (1st Year Contract) – Academic:				
Suzanne Hulsey	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

PERSONNEL TRANSACTION LIST, Continued

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

Short-Term Appointees

Approve the following list of short-term appointees:

SHORT-TERM APPOINTEES

Name	Classification	Department	Coll	Start	End
Baldevia, Brandalyn	Support Service Aide	Child Development	MJC	11/13/08	6/30/09
Barrera, Thor	Learning Asst/Tutor	Pre-College Programs	MJC	11/13/08	6/30/09
Castro, Luis	Learning Asst/Tutor	Pre-College Programs	MJC	11/13/08	6/30/09
Dnesi, Harpreet	Learning Asst/Tutor	Pre-College Programs	MJC	11/13/08	6/30/09
Gilbert, Douglas	Learning Asst/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 Asst I	Library & Info Tech	MJC	11/13/08	6/30/09
Velasco, Rolando	Learning Asst/Tutor	Pre-College Programs	MJC	11/13/08	6/30/09
Weaver, James	Learning Asst/Tutor	Pre-College Programs	MJC	11/13/08	6/30/09
Wood, Tammy	Learning Asst/Tutor	Literature & Lang Arts	MJC	11/13/08	6/30/09

Adjunct Faculty Appointees

Approve the following list of adjunct faculty appointees:

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 Sci	MJC	Spring 2009
Marchy, Lori	Agriculture	Agriculture & Environmental Sci	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

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Student Travel

MJC Livestock Judging Team
Phoenix, Arizona

Approve travel 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, December 29, 2008 to 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.

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2008-2009 Academic
Calendars

Approve the 2008-2009 academic calendars for Columbia College and Modesto Junior College (**Report # 2266**).

DISCUSSION ITEMS

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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, the quarterly statement of the District's financial condition for the quarter ended September 30, 2008 has been prepared (**Report #2267**). Ms. Scott reviewed and discussed the quarterly report with the Board. Ms. Scott noted the negative cash balance and the negative revenue that resulted from the deferral of the State apportionment.

Regarding the State Budget, Ms. Scott stated that mid-year cuts are still unknown. The District and colleges have been engaged in extensive discussions to prepare for mid-year cuts. Ms. Scott commended the colleges and central services for their budget planning. All units cut back on spending last year which has placed them in a good position to help with coming mid-year cuts.

A public hearing was held to review the District's financial report for the quarter ended September 30, 2008. There were no comments from the public. The Board directed staff to submit a copy of the required report to the Stanislaus County Superintendent of Schools and the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office.

COMMENTS

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From the Board of Trustees

Chair Rojas presented Trustee Neumann with an award in recognition of his years of service as a Board member and recognized him for his expertise and knowledge in higher education. Trustee Neumann stated that he has been honored to serve the District. He stated that the Development Center groundbreaking ceremony at Columbia College was a wonderful way to end his eight years. Trustee Flores thanked Trustee Neumann for his continuous support of the colleges and expressed appreciation for his work in articulating to the community what the colleges are about. Trustee Abshire thanked Trustee Neumann for being a great mentor and community leader. Trustee Dean stated that Trustee Neumann was the Board chair at the time of her appointment. He was a great mentor to her and she appreciates his intelligence and

commitment to students. Trustee Hallinan expressed his pleasure in working with Trustee Neumann and appreciates having been able to do good things for the colleges together. Trustee DeMartini stated that Trustee Neumann is a model trustee, who is unique, always kept to his standard and often offered needed knowledge to fill gaps.

Chancellor Darnell provided each Trustee with a replica keepsake of the dedication plaque for the MJC Performing & Media Arts Center.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Abe Rojas, Chair
YCCD Board of Trustees

D. Roe Darnell, Secretary
YCCD Board of Trustees