

**MINUTES**  
**YOSEMITE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIFTH REGULAR MEETING**  
**SEPTEMBER 8, 2004**

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At 2:00 p.m., prior to the Board meeting, trustees participated in a tour of the Mary Stuart Rogers West Campus Student Learning Center.

At 3:30 p.m. Board Chair Delsie Schrimp called the meeting to order in the YCCD Board Room. Chair Schrimp stated that the following items would be discussed in closed session:

**CLOSED SESSION AGENDA:**

- Discussion:
1. Pursuant to G. C. Section 54957  
YCCD Chancellor Search  
Discipline/Dismissal/Release
  2. Pursuant to G. C. Section 54956.9(a) – Litigation  
Case: Ace vs. YCCD, No. F042272  
Case: Hearing concerning intended faculty termination
  3. Pursuant to G. C. Section 54956.9(b)  
Significant Exposure to Litigation: Two cases
  4. Pursuant to G. C. Section 54957.6 - Conference with Labor Negotiations  
District representatives: J. Williams, T. Scott, D. Wirth, G. Railey  
Employee Organizations: CSEA, YFA

The Board of Trustees then adjourned to closed session in YCCD Conference Room B.

The Board of Trustees reconvened to open session at 5:30 p.m. in the YCCD Board Room. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag preceded formal Board action.

Board Members Present	Pat Dean Anne DeMartini Linda Flores Tom Hallinan Paul Neumann Abe Rojas Delsie Schrimp Andrea Cerritos (student trustee)
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Others Present	B. Au, M. Baker, G. Boodrookas, D. Borelli, D. Campbell, M. Christopherson, J. Clarke, S. Collins, G. Ebrahimoff, M. Fagan, D. Gervin, C. Gilcrest, T. Harris, L. Hoile, A. Kolstad, V. Metcalf, A. Noriega, F. Osnaya, I. Pippin, S. Potts, G. Railey, J. Riggs, C. Sampson, T. Scott, B. Scroggins, D. Scully, N. Stavrianoudakis, S. Stroud, J. Swank, B. Wells, J. Williams, D. Wirth, E. Osnaya (recorder)
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14,966 Special Presentation to Dr. Wilma McLeod	Interim Chancellor Williams presented in absentia a distinguished service award to Dr. Wilma McLeod, who recently retired and had been MJC Vice President of Student Services from 1990 to 2004. Dr. Williams read the inscription on the award which expressed the District's and Board of Trustees' appreciation of Dr. McLeod's distinguished service to the
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District. Board Chair Schrimp stated that the District will miss her and commended her for her conscientious work.

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Report Out from Closed  
Session

Chair Schrimp reported that there was no action taken during closed session

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Approval of the Minutes

A motion was made by Trustee Hallinan and seconded by Trustee Dean, that the Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 11, 2004 and the Board Retreat of August 18, 2004.

The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

### **REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS**

14,969  
Student Activity Reports

Frank Johnson, ASMJC President, reported that students hosted a Welcome Back Day on August 30. Activities at the quad included a barbeque, a volleyball game, and live entertainment. Students held their first Club Council meeting. They started distributing information about Measure E and recruiting students to work on phone banks. Mr. Johnson also reported that students have been working with Dr. Jim Johnson, Dean of Arts, Humanities and Communication, to bring Shosanna Johnson, the first African-American woman POW, to MJC.

There was no report from Columbia College.

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Academic Senate Activity  
Reports

Alicia Kolstad, Columbia College Academic Senate President, reported that there are many challenges at Columbia College, including working with the folks in Information Technology to try and solve the glitches with the new software system, and dealing with the combination of enrollment growth of 3% and a 20% reduction in faculty and staff. Ms. Kolstad stated that the Senate is working with administration to establish hiring priorities in order to begin the recruiting process as early as possible. She also stated that there was strong support for Measure E and the proposed reorganization at Columbia College.

Michelle Christopherson, MJC Academic Senate President, reported that the Senate had its first meeting last week. She said their discussions focused primarily on hiring issues, and she will report further on those issues at a later date. She said discussion also included setting goals for the coming year, and their continued participation on the accreditation sub-committees. Ms. Christopherson reported that the Senate also had held a retreat/dinner meeting which was attended by Dr. Scroggins. She thanked him for his remarks at that meeting.

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Activities and Announcements

Introduction of Tom Harris,  
Chancellor Search Consultant

Dr. Jim Riggs introduced Dr. Tom Harris (from Community College Search Services), who is the consultant chosen by the Board of Trustees to conduct the YCCD Chancellor Search. Dr. Riggs provided background information about Dr. Harris and the experience he brings to the search process.

Dr. Harris stated that he was proud to have been selected to conduct this search. He said he wanted to make it clear that this search is YCCD's search and that Community College Search Services would provide the District the best assistance in that process. Dr. Harris briefly detailed the search process as follows:

- ❖ Setting up meetings to choose the search committee
- ❖ Setting parameters
- ❖ Developing a search announcement
- ❖ Distributing the announcement (to 1200 colleges)
- ❖ Advertising
- ❖ Recruiting
- ❖ Identifying candidates
- ❖ Conducting background/reference checks
- ❖ Finalists interviewed by trustees
- ❖ New chancellor identified

Dr. Harris said that by May or June 2005 the new chancellor would be identified. He emphasized that he will be diligent in maintaining confidentiality throughout the process. Chair Schrimp asked who he would recommend be on the search committee. Dr. Harris said that the selection of committee members should be shared governance based and consist of approximately 15 members, including representatives from faculty, staff, students, administration, trustees and the community.

Trustees thanked Drs. Riggs and Harris for their efforts.

MJC Presents an Evening  
with Shoshanna Johnson

Interim MJC President Scroggins reported that the MJC Distinguished Lecture Series will presents *An Evening with Shoshanna Johnson - "Freedom Isn't Free"* on Thursday, September 30, at 7 p.m. in the MJC Auditorium. Army Specialist Johnson was held captive for three weeks during Operation Iraqi Freedom after being wounded in both legs when the convoy she was traveling in was ambushed. US Army officials have identified Johnson as the first African-American female POW in U.S. war history. It was reported that this inspirational evening is free and open to the public. More information is available online at [www.gomjc.org](http://www.gomjc.org) under news and events. The Trustees were encouraged to attend.

MJC Summer Sonata Update

Dr. Scroggins expressed his appreciation to Jim and Sue Coleman for once again generously providing their home for

MJC's 8th Annual Summer Sonata which was held on July 9. Dr. Scroggins reported that over 400 dinner guests were served at the event that netted nearly \$96,000. He expressed thanks to George Retamoza, MJC Foundation Director, as well as over 100 staff, faculty and friends who volunteered and the 35 sponsors who made the event so successful. He also thanked Board members for their continued support.

#### Bond Measure E Update

On July 14, 2004, the YCCD Board of Trustees voted unanimously to place a \$326 million job training and facilities repair bond measure on the November 2 ballot-Measure E. Speaking on behalf of the Measure E Campaign Committee, Nick Stavrianoudakis and Campaign Manager Charles Gilcrest updated the Board on the Committee's activities. Mr. Stavrianoudakis reported that the committee has been formed and included staff, student and community volunteers. He also said that they had identified two locations to house phone banks, one in Jamestown and the other in Modesto. Mr. Gilcrest said he could be reached at 777-2776 if anyone had questions or wanted to be involved in anyway with the campaign. He added that phone bank volunteers are needed and that lawn signs were available.

Mr. Stavrianoudakis stated that letters have been mailed to about 1500 people. Donations had been received from the college foundations. MJC's Foundation has donated \$20,000 and Columbia College's Foundation \$5,000, and to date donors have committed to a total of \$175,000. Mr. Stavrianoudakis also reported that editorial meetings are being scheduled with several of our local newspapers and informed the Board that no argument had been filed against the bond from any of the counties in whose ballot our bond will appear.

Mr. Stavrianoudakis mentioned that in addition to the District's website at <http://www.yosemite.edu/bond/>, the campaign also had a website at <http://www.measureE.com> for additional information.

#### MJC Marketing Campaign

Dr. Scroggins explained that the Graphics Standards Committee for Modesto Junior College recently approved an updated version of the MJC logo that incorporates the full name of the college and adds a "swish" above the initials as part of the new logo artwork. Linda Hoile, MJC Director of Marketing & Public Relations, presented samples of the new MJC logo which preserves the integrity of the old logo. She thanked staff members Sherri Potts, Irene Pippin and Letitia Senechal for their work on the logo project.

Ms. Hoile also introduced the MJC new marketing theme "*I am MJC*" for the 2004-05 academic year and presented a brief overview of how the theme has been integrated into the college's catalog, class schedule, website and advertising. She added that they continue to expand this theme and new ads will

be coming out in the spring. Trustees Flores and Dean commended their effort in highlighting MJC.

MJC West Side Center  
Update

Interim MJC President Scroggins reported that the Board of Trustees approved the development of the MJC West Side Center in the fall of 2002. This fall, the West Side Center started its fourth semester of service to communities on the west side of Stanislaus County. He stated that there are 210 students enrolled in ten courses this semester. The Center provides a convenient location for residents of Patterson, Newman, Westley, Grayson, Crows Landing, Vernalis and Gustine to take college classes. Dr. Scroggins said additional services are offered each semester and plans for expansion of the Center are in progress. He introduced Mr. George Boodrookas, Dean of Community & Economic Development, who thanked the Board of Trustees for taking the risk to offer this service. Dean Boodrookas shared the West Side Center's enrollment and demographic data that had been compiled by the YCCD Office of Research and Planning. He stated that the data indicated that 75% of the enrollment comes from the West Side residents, 60% are Hispanic, and 43% are between 18-24 years old. Mr. Boodrookas stated that they continue to be challenged by the lack of available faculty; however, we should expect exciting outcomes in the next few years. He also read a testimonial letter from a student at the West Side Center that expressed her appreciation of the Center for facilitating access to MJC. Mr. Boodrookas thanked Patrick Sweeney (Patterson School District Superintendent), Roberto Salinas (Newman-Crows Landing School District Superintendent), Martha Rice (Support Staff Technician III), and Shawna Cramton (YCCD Research Manager) for their assistance. Dr. Scroggins added that a permanent center on the West Side is being recommended as a project in the Facilities Master Plan and is part of the Measure E bond.

Trustee DeMartini stated that she would like a breakdown by town of the students that attend classes at the West Side Center.

Trustees stated they were pleased to see this project working well and hoped that success continued.

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Presentations/Updates  
The Thailand Project

Interim MJC President Scroggins introduced faculty members Mara Fagan, Jim Clarke, and Barbara Wells, who accompanied 20 students to Thailand in July 2004. They provided a PowerPoint and slide presentation of their successful inaugural study abroad trip and answered trustees' questions. Professor Fagan stated that there were many people to thank in particular Interim Chancellor Williams, Dr. Scroggins, Dr. Brenda Robert (Dean of Literature and Language Arts), Teresa Scott (Executive Vice Chancellor), and George Retamoza (Director

of the MJC Foundation) for their support. Trustees thanked the presenters for their report.

Accreditation Update

It was reported that both colleges are actively involved in conducting their respective self-studies in preparation for an Accreditation Team visit in the Fall of 2005. The college presidents provided an update describing activities and progress made to date. They reported that committees have been working diligently on the self-study process and expect to have a draft of their college's self-study by December with the plan of finalizing the document by late spring. Dr. Judith Redwine, Interim Vice President of Student Services at Columbia, and Dr. Dennis Gervin, Dean of Instructional Services at MJC and Professor Marianne Franco are leading this effort at Columbia College and MJC respectively. Trustees commended the efforts that are taking place to accomplish this task.

Board of Trustees Self-Evaluation

Dr. Williams stated that as called for in board policy and the Accreditation Standards, the Board of Trustees conducted their annual Self-Evaluation process and assessed progress on their 2003-2004 goals at their annual Board Retreat August 18. Trustees completed an evaluation form, and the information was compiled. Chair Schrimp reported that the Board had given itself an overall grade of "B." She indicated that if anyone had questions about the evaluation or wished to receive a copy of the document to contact her. Trustee Hallinan suggested that the evaluation instrument be updated. Trustee Neumann agreed and stated that they should proceed as agreed at their Retreat -- that a committee of the Board be formed to discuss a new evaluation format.

**ACTION ITEMS**

Consent Agenda  
14,973  
Purchase Orders

A motion was made by Trustee Rojas, seconded by Trustee Flores, that the Board of Trustees approve the purchase orders issued from July 1, 2004 through July 31, 2004.

The motion carried with a vote of six ayes (Dean, DeMartini, Flores, Hallinan, Rojas, Schrimp) and 1 abstention (Neumann).

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A motion was made by Trustee Rojas, seconded by Trustee DeMartini, that the Board of Trustees take the following action on the remaining items on the Consent Agenda:

Acceptance of Gifts

Accept with appreciation the following gifts:

- a. Eighty-one (81) SCBA (breathing apparatus) units from the City of Manteca Fire Department, to be used by the students in the Basic Fire Academy, Regional Fire Training Center at Modesto Junior College.
- b. Sixty (60) walnut trees and graftings from Orestimba Nursery, to be used in the Instructional Lab/Walnut Orchard at Modesto Junior College.

- c. Twelve 4x4 plexiglass skylights from DeLiddo & Associates, to be used for the gymnasium at Modesto Junior College.

Rejection of Claim                      Reject the claim presented by Jorge Sales and refer the claim to the District's claims administrator.

Rejection of Claim                      Reject the claim presented by Delinda Velasquez and refer the claim to the District's claims administrator.

Notice of Completion of Contract                      Accept the work performed by Janus Corporation on Asbestos Encapsulation Project, Library, Modesto Junior College East Campus, Bid #04-1539, as having been completed in accordance with the plans and specifications, and authorize final payment to be made.

Project Applications/Amendments                      Authorize the Yosemite Community College District to submit the following project applications/amendments and to enter into a contract with the appropriate donor agencies when the projects are selected for funding: **(Report #2130)**

- a. Teacher Qualification Program – Fall 2004, Semester, MJC  
Submitted to Stanislaus County Office of Education – Child Family Services  
Agency share: \$24,158; Proposer share: \$0

The motion to approve the last five items on the Consent Agenda carried with a vote of 7-0.

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Personnel Items                      Diane Wirth, Interim Vice Chancellor, Human Resources, pointed out that corrections to several personnel items were needed. (Deletions are reflected with strikeout notations and additions are underlined.)

A motion was made by Trustee Neumann, seconded by Trustee Dean, that the Board of Trustees approved the personnel items as corrected.

Wilma McLeod                      Grant retirement emeritus status to, Vice President, Student Services, Modesto Junior College, effective August 19, 2004, and officially commend her for 14 years of valuable service to the District (STRS Golden Handshake).

Robert Raduechel                      Grant retirement emeritus status to, Automotive Technology Professor, Modesto Junior College, effective August 19, 2004, and officially commend him for 21.5 years of valuable service to the District (STRS Golden Handshake).

Suzanne Patterson                      Grant retirement emeritus status to Suzanne Patterson, Learning Disabilities Specialist, Columbia College, effective August 19, 2004, and commend her for 13 years of valuable service to the District (STRS Golden Handshake).

Elisa Osnaya                      Grant retirement status to Elisa Osnaya, Administrative Assistant to the Chancellor, Chancellor's Office, Yosemite

Community College District, effective August 19, 2004, and officially commend her for 10.5 years of valuable service to the District (PERS Golden Handshake).

Trustees expressed their appreciation to Ms. Osnaya for her service to the District.

- Sandra Sample Grant retirement status to Sandra Sample, Child Development Center Master Teacher, Allied Health/Family & Consumer Sciences, Modesto Junior College, effective August 21, 2004, and officially commend her for 13 years of valuable service to the District.
- Gloria Morris Grant retirement status to Gloria Morris, Bookstore Cashier, Modesto Junior College, effective August 19, 2004, and officially commend her for 18 years of valuable service to the District (PERS Golden Handshake).
- Ann Ballantyne Grant retirement status to Ann Ballantyne, Support Staff III, Modesto Junior College, effective August 19, 2004, and officially commend her for 10 years of valuable service to the District (PERS Golden Handshake).
- Virgil Atchison Grant retirement status to Virgil Atchison, Range Coordinator, Criminal Justice Training Center, Modesto Junior College, effective August 19, 2004, and officially commend him for 33 years of valuable service to the District (PERS Golden Handshake).
- Don Borges Approve an extension of contract for Don Borges, Director of Ag/Tech Prep, Ag & Environmental Sciences & Tech Ed, Modesto Junior College, effective August 1, 2004 to August 31, 2004.
- Laurie Prusso Approve the appointment of Laurie Prusso as Interim Dean of Allied Health/Family & Consumer Sciences, Modesto Junior College, effective August 1, 2004, for a period not to exceed one year.
- Jeff Fitzwater Approve the appointment of Jeff Fitzwater to the position of Interim Counselor, Columbia College, effective August 30, 2004, for a period not to exceed one year.
- Rodney Hampton Approve the classified management appointment of Rodney Hampton to the position of Campus Operations Manager I, Facilities Planning & Operations, YCCD, effective August 30, 2004.
- Joan Ferrell Approve the appointment of Joan Ferrell, to the position of Bookstore Buyer, Pirates Bookstore, Modesto Junior College, effective August 24, 2004.



Aracely Rodriguez Approve the ~~probationary~~ promotional appointment of Aracely Rodriguez to Financial Aid Technician II, Financial Aid, Modesto Junior College, effective August 15, 2004, contingent upon funding.

Linda Cross Approve the ~~probationary~~ promotional appointment of Linda Cross to Administrative Secretary, Instruction, Columbia College, effective August 12, 2004.

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Karen Tabacco ~~Approve the probationary appointment of Karen Tabacco to the position of Secretary II, Family & Consumer Science, Modesto Junior College, effective September 7, 2004.~~

Surinder Singh Bhalaru Approve the probationary appointment of Surinder Singh Bhalaru to the position of Programmer Analyst II, Information Technology, YCCD, effective September 7, 2004.

Penny Belus Approve the promotional appointment of Penny Belus to Laboratory Assistant II, Business, Behavioral and Social Sciences, Modesto Junior College, effective August 16, 2004.

Melissa Clark Approve the promotional appointment of Melissa Clark to Scholarship Specialist, Financial Aid/Scholarships, Modesto Junior College, effective August 2, 2004, contingent upon funding.

Diane Wirth Approve the appointment of Diane Wirth as Interim Vice Chancellor, Human Resources, YCCD, effective July 1, 2004, for a period not to exceed one year.

George Railey, Jr. Approve the appointment of George Railey, Jr. as Interim Vice Chancellor, Educational Services, YCCD, effective July 1, 2004, for a period not to exceed one year.

Steve Collins Approve the interim administrative appointment of Steve Collins to the position of Vice President of Instruction, Modesto Junior College, effective September 1, 2004 to May 1, 2005.

Letitia Senechal Approve the voluntary reduction in assignment from 100% to 87.5% for Letitia Senechal, Curriculum Information Specialist, Instruction, Modesto Junior College, effective August 30, 2004 to December 17, 2004.

Ernesto Magdelano Approve an increase in assignment for Ernesto Magdelano, Laboratory Assistant II, Science, Mathematics & Engineering, Modesto Junior College, from 50% to 100%, effective August 1, 2004.

Manuel Vargas Approve the temporary increase in assignment from 45% to 100% for Manuel Vargas, Instructional Assistant, Library Learning Resources, Modesto Junior College, effective August 30, 2004, and ending October 4, 2004, as needed.

Kristin Hogan	Approve the temporary increase in assignment as needed for Kristin Hogan, Buyer II, Purchasing, Central Services from 80% to 100%, effective August 23, 2004 to June 30, 2005.
Teresa Lazacano	Accept the resignation of Teresa Lazacano, Support Services Aide I, Infant/Toddler Center, Modesto Junior College, effective July 25, 2004.
Deepa Rekha	Accept the resignation of Deepa Rekha, Financial Aid Technician I, Financial Aid, Modesto Junior College, effective August 25, 2004.
Stephen Carroll	Confirm the termination of employment of Stephen Carroll, Programmer Analyst II, Information Systems, YCCD, effective August 9, 2004.
Kimberly Kendrick	Approve the <del>probationary</del> <u>promotional</u> appointment of Kimberly Kendrick at 75% of assignment to the position of <del>Support Staff # Secretary III</del> , Science, Mathematics, & Engineering, Modesto Junior College, effective August 30, 2004.
Leanne Bartels	Approve the temporary appointment of Leanne Bartels to the position of Allied Health Division, Modesto Junior College, for the 2004-2005 academic year. This position is funded by the Hospital Consortium.
Reorganization – Classified	Approve the following actions effective August 1, 2004: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Eliminate the following classified position: Instructional Assistant II, Student Services. (Classified salary range 20).</li> <li>B. Create the following position: Program Representative II, Student Services (Classified salary range 26).</li> <li>C. Appoint Kimberly Carter, currently employed in the affected position, to the new classified assignment.</li> </ul>
Reorganization – Columbia College	Approve the following actions effective September 1, 2004: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Eliminate the following classified positions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Financial Aid Accountant (Classified, Range 38)</li> <li>❖ Account Technician II (Classified, Range 22)</li> <li>❖ Financial Aid Technician II (Classified, Range 19)</li> <li>❖ Director, Administrative &amp; Accounting Services (Management, Range 38)</li> </ul> </li> <li>B. Create the following positions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Financial Aid Manager (Classified Management, Range 21)</li> <li>❖ Fiscal Services Supervisor, Columbia College (Classified Management, Range 18)</li> <li>❖ Financial Aid Technician III (Classified, Range 26)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



2004 semester only.

Karin Rodts Approve a voluntary reduction in work assignment for Karin Rodts, from 40 hours per week (100%) to 32 hours per week (80%), effective August 30, 2004 through December 18, 2004.

Doralyn Foletti Approve a temporary increase in assignment for Doralyn Foletti, Program Representative II, Columbia College, from 30 hours per week/10-month assignment to 40 hours per week/10-month assignment, effective August 30, 2004 to April 30, 2005.

Sandra McCracken Approve the request of a voluntary demotion for Sandra McCracken, Columbia College, from Admissions & Records Technician I to a Support Staff II position, effective September 9, 2004.

Short -Term Appointees Approve the list of short-term appointees.

Vice Chancellor Wirth corrected a job title and added a person to the list.

The motion for approval of the personnel items as corrected carried with a vote of 7-0.

#### Discussion Items

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Board of Trustees 2004-2005  
Special Priorities

At their annual retreat on August 18, the Board of Trustees discussed various challenges facing the District in the 2004-2005 academic year. Based upon that discussion, a tentative list of Board priorities was developed. The Interim Chancellor was asked to prepare a draft list for trustees' review. The revised list was reviewed by the Board. Trustees stated that the list reflected their discussions accurately. **(Report #2131)**

A motion was made by Trustee Hallinan, seconded by Trustee Rojas, that the Board of Trustees adopt the statement of their 2004-2005 Priorities.

The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

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YCCD Negotiations Proposal  
to YFA

Interim Chancellor Williams reported that YFA previously had presented a bargaining proposal to the District. A public hearing on the proposal had been conducted. The next steps in the process are the Board's approval of the District's proposal to YFA **(Report #2132)** and the scheduling of a public hearing.

A motion was made by Trustee Rojas, seconded by Trustee DeMartini, that the Board of Trustees approve the proposal to YFA and schedule a public hearing on October 13, 2004.

The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

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Representatives to the  
VIP/JPA Board of Directors

Executive Vice Chancellor Scott reported that the bylaws of the Valley Insurance Program Joint Powers Agency require that:

"Each member of the authority shall appoint two members to the Board of Directors. One Director for each member may be an elected official of the member's governing board. The other Director for each member shall be a management-level employee of the member.

In addition, each member shall designate one Alternate Director, who may either be an elected official of the member's governing body or a management-level employee of the member."

Based on the above, Ms. Scott stated that it is necessary for the Board of Trustees to appoint a management-level employee to the VIP/JPA Board of Directors. Ms. Teresa Scott's (management-level employee) term expires September 30, 2004. Mr. Abe Rojas (elected official position) is in the middle of a two-year term.

A motion was made by Trustee Rojas, seconded by Trustee Hallinan, that the Board of Trustees appoint Ms. Teresa Scott to the management-level employee position for a two-year term to begin October 1, 2004, and expire September 30, 2006.

The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

### **COMMENTS**

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Comments from the Public

Dr. Stephen Stroud, Faculty Consultant to the Board of Trustees, commented about his continued concern with the high cost of attorney fees. He indicated that the amount of money on the purchase order for attorney costs was very large. Chair Schrimp pointed out that our attorneys assist us with many different issues. Trustee DeMartini also pointed out that the purchase order Dr. Stroud was referring to was a blanket purchase order, which reflects the amount of money that is set aside for the year and not what has been spent. Trustees assured Dr. Stroud that they, too, are concerned and are paying attention to these costs.

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Comments from the Board of Trustees

Trustee DeMartini reported that she had the opportunity to attend several college events, including the MJC Staff Appreciation Breakfast and the colleges' Institute Days. Mrs. DeMartini also stated that at the Board's retreat she had been appointed to the committee on committees, and her charge is to find out if trustees are interested in serving on committees. She distributed a form to trustees to assist her and Trustee Neumann with that assignment.

Trustee Neumann encouraged people to donate their time to Measure E phone banks.

Andrea Cerritos, Student Trustee, expressed her appreciations for the opportunity to attend the CCLC Student Trustee Workshop in August. She said the session was informative and helpful.

Trustee Dean indicated that she attended Columbia's In Service Day activities.

Trustee Hallinan commented that when he had been on campus lately he has been pleased to hear how well things are going.

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Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Wednesday, October 13. Closed session will begin at 3:30 p.m. and open session at 5:30 p.m. in the YCCD Board Room, 2201 Blue Gum Avenue, Modesto.

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Delsie Schrimp, Chair  
YCCD Board of Trustees

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James H. Williams, Secretary  
YCCD Board of Trustees