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Acting Secretary of Labor Visits SRJC

On Tuesday October 1, 2002, Stephen Smith, Acting Secretary of the recently formed California Labor and Workforce Development Agency visited three sites in Santa Rosa linked to SRJC. The newly consolidated agency includes the Employment Development Department, Department of Industrial Relations, the Workforce Investment Board and the Agricultural Labor Relations Board. Smith met with SRJC Director of Economic Development Chuck Robbins, who explained the services of SRJC's Redwood Empire Small Business Development Center; visited the Redwood Empire Electrical Training Center, an SRJC partner that provides electrician apprenticeship training; and also visited Filtration Group, Inc. (FGI), a client company of the Workforce Training Department.

Child Development Conference October 25-26

SRJC's Child Development Conference scheduled October 25-26 on the Santa Rosa campus will draw not only renowned keynote speaker Dr. Bruce Perry, but hundreds of parents, teachers, students, and professionals from the fields of child development, education, medical and civic services across the county and region.

The conference is sponsored by SRJC, United Way, Sonoma Community Foundation, Kaiser Permanente, and the Sonoma County Children and Families Commission. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. The two-day event is organized by SRJC's Child Development Department and Mary Ross Trust of the SRJC Foundation to address how healthy communities create healthy children and how early childhood shapes children's futures.

Friday, October 25, 7:30 p.m. —Parents Night With Bruce Perry, Burbank Auditorium, Santa Rosa campus. Free to attendees. A leading voice in early childhood development and Medical Director of Provincial Programs in Children's Mental Health for the Alberta Mental Health Board, Dr. Perry will present "The Power of Community: How Healthy Communities Create Healthy Children."

Saturday, October 26, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Common Ground Early Childhood Conference, Burbank Auditorium, Santa Rosa campus. Fee is \$30 before October 11 includes free lunch; after October 11 \$30 without lunch. Dr. Perry's keynote address is titled "The Impact of Experience on the Developing Brain: How Early Childhood Shapes a Child's Future." Over 40 workshops are scheduled in English and Spanish on diverse topics.

Checks should be made out to 4Cs and forwarded to 396 Tesconi Ct., SR 95401. Contact Joel Gordon in the SRJC Child Development Center, ext. 4315, for further information about this dynamic conference.

State Prop 47 At A Glance

California's statewide November 5, 2002, general election is just weeks away. Officially called the Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2002, Prop 47 will help construct 46,000 new classrooms in California to accommodate nearly one million new students. The act would authorize general obligation bonds of approximately \$13.05 billion for kindergarten through university public education facilities to relieve overcrowding, repair older schools, and upgrade and build new classrooms and labs in California Community Colleges, CSUs, and UCs.

Voters in many school districts have already or will soon approve local school bonds for construction and repair projects that cannot be completed without Prop 47 matching funds. Funds are targeted where most needed and cannot be spent on bureaucracy or wasteful overhead. School construction and repair projects are subject to audits and strict accountability.

Of the total amount of Prop 47, community colleges and universities will receive \$1.65 billion. SRJC would receive approximately \$32.7 million: \$31 for library equipment and construction on the SR campus, and \$1.7 million dollars for the drawings for the Petaluma campus build out. The building of the library would cause the elimination of many portable facilities on the SR campus. The state match of the \$31 million would be augmented by \$13.5 million from our local Measure A bond funds. For more information, contact the President's Office on ext. 4431.

Making Strides Against Breast Cancer!

During October - Breast Awareness Month - various events are scheduled to encourage our community's participation in the fight against cancer. In 2001, California's RRelay for Life raised nearly \$12 million to fight cancer. The disease strikes over 200,000 a year and claims 40,000 lives, so help fight cancer in 2002!

Relay for Life —A team event to fight cancer, October 12-13, Elsie Allen High School, 10 a.m. Saturday to 10 a.m. Sunday. Sign up by calling the American Cancer Society at 545-6720. This 24-hour event invites you to create a team of friends, and then take turns walking or running around a track. Food, live music, and entertainment for 24 hours will keep teams moving. You'll never forget "The Survivor's Lap" that starts the event (cancer survivors check in 30 minutes before the event), or the "The Luminary Ceremony," dedicated to survivors and honoring those who have passed on, lovely luminaries line the track throughout the night.

Making Strides —A five-mile walk is scheduled in Golden Gate Park, San Francisco, Sunday, October 27, drawing supporters from Northern California. Registration from 8:00-10:00 a.m. Phone 1-877-906-7222, email StridesBayArea@cancer.org, or visit on-line at www.cancer.org/makingstrides for more information. Let's help make breast cancer a thing of the past.

Call Barbara Kammeyer-Boutwell at ext. 4968 for more information or contact the American Cancer Society 24-7 at 1-800-227-2345.

Accreditation Team Visit SRJC October 22-24

On October 22-24, 2002, the accreditation evaluation team will visit SRJC. Led by John Hurd, Superintendent-President of Cabrillo College, the team will evaluate SRJC's programs and services. The team's aim is to assess our progress as we work to carry out the recommendations from SRJC's previous accreditation process and to recommend next steps to continue to strengthen the College. Having spent the past year and a half dedicating time and effort researching and writing a self-study report, we anticipate that the visit will be productive and helpful to us in future planning. The 11-person visiting team is well prepared to fulfill their evaluative responsibilities, having closely studied SRJC's self study and other institutional documents.

It is important that we all welcome the team during their short time at SRJC. The team will evaluate our efforts by visiting and talking to us at scheduled and impromptu meetings, three open meetings to gain broad college input, and brief unannounced faculty and classroom visits.

Remember that the team will be challenged by their busy meeting schedule, so it's essential that our college community be as helpful as we can to facilitate an efficient review of our College.

The evaluation process will come to a close on Thursday, October 24, with an exit interview starting promptly at 2:00 p.m. in Burbank Auditorium, Santa Rosa campus and teleconferenced to the Petaluma campus. At this time, the team chair will present a summary of the visit and findings. Should you have questions about the team's visit, contact Karin Guzman, ext. 4882.

MR. JOHN HURD

Accreditation Team Chair

John Hurd has served as President of Cabrillo College since 1991. Previously, Mr. Hurd served for five years as President of Mohegan Community College in Connecticut.



During Mr. Hurd's tenure, Cabrillo College has significantly expanded the Aptos campus with funding from a local bond passed in 1998, state funding and private donations. Under his leadership, the rapidly expanding Watsonville Education Center was established, thanks to an innovative partnership with the city, funding from the 1998 local bond measure, and the generosity of private donors. In fact, the private fund-raising program initiated by President Hurd in the mid 1990s continues to rank the Cabrillo College Foundation in the top 10 nationally among 1400 community colleges.

Since coming to Santa Cruz County, Mr. Hurd has served in a number of community leadership roles, including President of the Santa Cruz County United Way, Vice President of the Pajaro Valley Chamber, and Vice President of the Board of Agriculture. Mr. Hurd has also served in various state-level leadership roles, including President of the California Community Colleges Chief Executive Officers' Association and Chair of the California Community College Commission on Legislation and Finance. In addition, Mr. Hurd has chaired four accreditation visitation teams since coming to California.

MS. KIM ALLEN

Primary Standard: 9

Secondary Standard: 8

Kim Allen is currently the Administrative Director of Fiscal Affairs at Coast Community College District and has held this position since June 2000. Prior to that, Ms. Allen was the Director of Fiscal Services at Merced College for 12 years. She earned her B.S. degree in Accounting from the University of Utah.

Ms. Allen was involved in two self-studies while at Merced College, focusing on the fiscal standard. This is Kim Allen's first time working on an accreditation team, and she is looking forward to visiting Santa Rosa Junior College.

MS. LYNDA CORBIN

Primary Standard: 3

Secondary Standard: 7

Lynda Corbin has been a member of the San Diego Mesa College English Department for the past 31 years (the first 10 as an adjunct), teaching composition, remedial courses, introduction to literature, and British literature surveys. She has served in nearly every office of the local senate as well as three years on the State Academic Senate Executive Committee. She chaired the Mesa College English Department and the Council of Department Chairs.

Ms. Corbin has participated in numerous visiting accreditation teams and was elected to chair the Mesa College self study in 1996; that self study and subsequent accreditation visit in 1998 resulted in one of the few unqualified reaffirmations of accreditation given by the Commission that year. Also in 1998, Ms. Corbin received the Gerald C.

Hayward Award for Excellence in Education from the California Community Colleges and the Board of Governors.

Ms. Corbin's experience includes service on a variety of state committees, including Educational Policies, Standards and Practices, Intersegmental Committee of Academic Senates, and Curriculum, as well as a number of local district, college, and senate committees. She continues to work with the Program Review Committee and is currently co-authoring a handbook to facilitate that process; she also works with the Curriculum Committee and is Facilitator of the Course Outline Integration Project at the college and co-chair of the Technical Review Committee.

DR. JOSEPH GONZALEZ

Primary Standards: 2 & 8

Dr. Joseph Gonzalez is a professor of History, at Moorpark College. He received his Ph.D. in Modern British History from the University of California, Santa Barbara, where he was both a Regent's Fellow and Phi Beta Kappa. A Fulbright Scholar who has taught in the United Kingdom, Dr. Gonzalez has done research at London's Public Records Office, Oxford University's Bodleian Library, and the Cambridge University Library. Spring 2002 was his fourth semester in Moorpark's London Program, where he taught history courses and co-administered the program in Britain. He also led the Oxford programs in 1990 and 1991.

Dr. Gonzalez has been at Moorpark, Academic Senate President, Department Chair, Division Dean and Contract Negotiator. He is an honorably discharged Vietnam-era Marine and has participated in accreditations of East Los Angeles College, Mira Costa College, Rio Hondo College, and Windward Community College in Hawaii.



DR. ROBERT GRIFFIN

Primary Standard: 5
Secondary Standard: 3

Dr. Griffin has 30 years of experience in higher education. He began his career in higher education as the Director of the Office of Programs and Services at San Jose State University.



In 1976 Dr. Griffin was hired as the Associate Dean of Student Services at Monterey Peninsula College in Monterey, California, and in 1986 was promoted to the Dean of Student Services at that college. In 1994 Dr. Griffin was hired as the Vice President of Student Services at De Anza College in Cupertino, California, where he is currently employed.

Dr. Griffin has served on a number of statewide community college boards and commissions, including serving as President of the Association of California Community College Administrators (ACCCA). His professional experience includes presentations at a number of conferences on the regional, state, and national level.

Dr. Griffin has served on the executive committee of the Commission on Athletics (COA) where he chaired the sub-committee responsible for rewriting California's Athletic Eligibility Code in order to address the academic course taking patterns of athletes.

Dr. Griffin has served on a number of community nonprofit boards, which include serving as the Chairperson of the Planning Commission for the City of Seaside, California, and as the President of United Way of the Monterey Peninsula. Dr. Griffin's public service also includes holding a publicly elected office as a member of the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District (a tax funded environmental protection and land acquisition board) in Monterey.

Currently, Dr. Griffin serves as a member of the Fremont Union High School District Community Advisory Board, Cupertino Community Services Board, and the Foothill-De Anza Community College District Representative to the League for Innovation.

DR. BETTY INCLAN

Primary Standard: 4
Secondary Standard: 1

Dr. Betty Inclan is currently the Associate Superintendent/Vice President of Academic Affairs at Allan Hancock College and has been involved in education for the last 27 years. Dr. Inclan started her teaching career in Kent, Ohio, as a Teaching Assistant at Kent State University, where she taught English composition and literature. In addition to teaching English and related topics at Miami-Dade Community College for 10 years, she served as Project Director for New Directions 1990. Dr. Inclan has a master's degree in English and a Ph.D. in Educational Administration. For most of her career she has worked at the community college level as an instructor and an



administrator. Before coming to Allan Hancock College she served as a Division Dean of Literature and Language Arts at Modesto Junior College.

Dr. Inclan considers herself an advocate of community colleges. She believes that as "America's open access institutions," community colleges provide transfer, vocational, and lifelong learning opportunities to all community members. Dr. Inclan considers participation on accreditation activities as professional enrichment and an opportunity to learn from fellow colleagues.

DR. JUDITH KAPPENBERG

Primary Standard: 6
Secondary Standard: 5

Judith Kappenberg earned a B.Ed. in Secondary Education from the University of Hawaii, a master's degree in Student Personnel Administration from Teachers College, Columbia University, and an Ed.D. in Community College Leadership from Nova Southwestern University. Her professional experiences include being a Counselor/Instructor for 12 years, Coordinator of the Learning Resource Center for 11 years, Assistant Dean for Academic Support at Leeward Community College, and Acting Program Officer in the Office of Planning and Policy for the University of Hawaii system.

Currently, Dr. Kappenberg is a Program Officer/Coordinator for International Programs in the Office of the Dean of Instruction at Leeward Community College. Her responsibilities include new program development, working with faculty to develop campus capacity to deliver non-credit/short-term instruction and training, and development and oversight of international education programs.



MR. LARRY LOWDER

Primary Standard: 7
Secondary Standard: 6

Larry Lowder, Professor of Music at Fullerton College, has been involved in education since 1961 and has served as a faculty member at Fullerton since 1976. During his tenure, Mr. Lowder has taken various leadership positions, such as serving as the President of the Fullerton College Faculty Association 1986-87, President of the Faculty Senate 1985-86, Chair of the College Planning and Consultative Council 1994-97, and Director of Academic Computing 1990-97. In spring 1996, Mr. Lowder served as the Acting Dean of Instruction at Fullerton College.



MS. SUSANNA MIELE

Primary Standard: 1
Secondary Standard: 2, 10

Susanna Miele has served 19 years on the Board of Trustees for the Pasadena Area Community College District. She has served three terms as



President of the Board and currently serves as the Board Clerk.

Professionally, Ms. Miele is a consultant for the City of Pasadena and the Pasadena Unified School District coordinating community-based programs for children and youth during non-school hours. She has been a long-time volunteer in the Pasadena area, focusing on women's and children's issues. Ms. Miele has a bachelor's of science degree from Mount St. Mary's College. This is her fifth accreditation team visit.

DR. JAMES WILLIAMS

Primary Standard: 10
Secondary Standard: 4

President of Modesto Junior College, Dr. Williams received his Ph.D. from Washington State University in Education in 1983 with an emphasis on Higher Education Administration. He received his M.S. in 1974 from Pepperdine University in Urban Planning and Development. Dr. Williams received his bachelor's degree from California State University, Los Angeles, and he began his college education by achieving an associate's degree from Los Angeles City College.

Prior to beginning his presidency at Modesto Junior College in December 2001, Dr. Williams served as the President of Arapahoe Community College in Littleton, Colorado, since 1999. From 1995-1999, he served as President of Spokane Community College in Spokane, Washington. While serving at Arapahoe he expanded many college programs and services and became known for developing effective means to address the educational needs of students with a focus on excellence and learning communities. Prior to his community college presidencies, Dr. Williams also served 18 years in higher education as a professor and administrator at California State Polytechnic University in Pomona, with his last position being Dean of the College of Letters, Arts, and Social Sciences.

Dr. Williams is a strong advocate for community colleges and the role they play in providing affordable and accessible higher education and workforce training. He has not participated on any prior accreditation evaluation teams.



MS. PATRICIA BORDEN

Team Assistant

Patricia (Pat) Borden is the Executive Assistant to the President of Cabrillo College, John D. Hurd. Prior to this position, she was the Executive Assistant to the Vice President, Business Services of Cabrillo College for four years, and the Executive Assistant to the Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction, for the Santa Cruz County Office of Education for two years. Ms. Borden owned and operated a secretarial support business for two years, and was an elementary/junior high school secretary and office manager for nine years.



See the following page for the Accreditation Visit Schedule.

Accreditation Visit Schedule* October 22 – 24, 2002

Tuesday, October 22

8:00 am – 9:00 am	Team arrives on the Santa Rosa campus; meet with the college and accreditation self study leadership; take a brief tour of the campus
9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Begin review of resource documents, meet with appropriate staff, students, Board of Trustees, conduct class visitations
1:30 pm – 4:30 pm	Class visitations, resource materials review, meetings with Accreditation Standards committee members
5:30 pm – 6:20 pm	Open Meeting for the campus community, 2004 Lark Hall, Santa Rosa campus
7:30 pm – 10:00 pm	Off-campus site visits; class visits, review materials

Wednesday, October 23

8:00 am – 12:30 pm	Conduct interviews, visit classes, visit Petaluma campus and other off-campus sites of team's choice
9:00 am – 10:00 am	Open Meeting for the campus community, Plover Library Room 1, Santa Rosa campus
10:30 am – 11:30 am	Open Meeting for the campus community, Mahoney Library Room 154 - Petaluma campus
1:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Continue work on assignments and additional visits to off-campus sites (as necessary)
7:30 pm – 10:00 pm	Team drafts reports for each standard

Thursday, October 24

8:15 am – 12:00 pm	Team members submit written reports to Team Chair. Team reviews compiled reports and recommendations, finalizes main findings, commendations, recommendations
1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Team Chair meets with SRJC President to discuss the findings
2:00 pm – 2:45 pm	Exit Interview to present summary of the visit and the findings Burbank Auditorium, Santa Rosa campus, teleconferenced to Petaluma Campus, Mahoney Library Room 154

** The Accreditation visiting team has designated the schedule of their planned activities as listed above. Please note, however, that once the team arrives, they may elect to adjust the schedule as necessary.*

Health-Care Crisis Forum Scheduled October 19

SRJC will hold a conference, *Health Care Crisis 2002: A Search for Solutions*, on Saturday, October 19. The public forum will address pressing health-focused topics that impact us all. Participants will convene in Newman Auditorium, Emeritus Hall, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., where numerous experts will discuss critical health-care challenges and identify possible solutions to the serious local, state, and national issues involving health-care policy, reform, and delivery. Panelists and participants include physicians, educators, nurses, senior advocates, hospital employees, civic leaders, and other health-care providers. The event is sponsored by SRJC, Children's Health Access Coalition, California Physicians Alliances, and the Sonoma County Nurses Council SEIU Local 707.

The fee to attend this important event is \$10 and includes lunch and materials. Call Mike Smith at 545-7349, ext. 111, or Ezbon Jen, ext. 4271, for further information.

October 31 Deadline for Randolph Newman Endowment Grant

Grant applications are available to fund campus cultural enrichment activities through the Foundation. In its third year of funding, the Randolph Newman Cultural Enrichment Endowment will award a total of \$8,000 for projects planned for fall 2003, spring 2004, and summer 2004. A committee comprised of members of the campus community and SRJC Foundation board of directors will review application materials, and grant recipients will be announced by December 2.

Funds for the SRJC Foundation Randolph Newman Cultural Enrichment Endowment are part of the legacy gift Dr. Randolph Newman provided to SRJC to fund free or ticketed cultural enrichment activities that benefit SRJC students and present an opportunity to the college that otherwise might not be available. These activities will be open to the public.

Application packets are available at ext. 4348. Don't forget, the deadline for applications is Thursday, October 31, 2002.

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