SAGINAW VALLEY COLLEGE

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Saginaw Valley College's budget hearing before the Senate Appropriation Committee is expected to be set for sometime in March, probably after March 15. Bill Capitan, Russ Driver, and Ann Dickey are working closely with our area legislators to present an argument to the Committee that will hold what Governor Milliken included in his executive budget request for SVC. This figure is \$2,653,000. If we are successful in this attempt, and we must be successful, it will mean an increase in State support for 1973-74 over the current year's appropriation of \$2,479,000. The Senate Committee is doing things differently this year. Higher education's budget problems are in the hands of a sub-committee composed of Senator Lane, Senator Zollar, and Senator Purcell.

Brown Hall remains very much alive in Lansing. A hearing before the Capital Outlay Committee of the House and Senate is expected to be set for March, but no date has yet been announced for our appearance.

Dev Pathak is the new advisor for foreign students at SVC. However, he can use help from others here willing to address themselves to the special language, legal, and social needs of these students.

We expect to hear in early April if our proposal for Title III money has been approved in Washington. Admittedly this is a long shot, but we've been told we stand a chance if the Developing Institution program is funded for the next fiscal year. Our proposal asks financial support for Project 70s, Coop. Education, Applied Social Science, Technology, and Career Counseling. If you light candles to make wishes come true, you can light one for this.

Eldon Graham has been named our "lobbyist" in Lansing. He will be spending one or two days a week in the Capitol to keep an eye on our budget as it moves through the Legislature, on Brown Hall, and on our hopes to keep the Human Biology program in the budget. As you know, the Governor's budget included \$48,000 of planning money for this program.

As you know, the college radio station WSVC has been sold, but remains on the air until final approval of the sale is given by the FCC. The latest word on this transaction is that it is moving slowly through the channels. The approval, however, is expected sometime before April 30.

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