The Board of Control last night voted 5 to 2 to place Dr. Marble on leave of absence, without pay, until after the November Congressional election.

The Board voted unanimously to give Dr. Marble notice as of May 19 that his tenure as a Political Science professor at SVC would terminate on May 19, 1974. This action is in accord with the Faculty Contract.

If Dr. Marble loses the Congressional election, he will be returned to salary at SVC until May 19, 1975, and paid the approximate $21,500 he would have received between May and January 19, 1975. This follows the spirit of the agreement made between Dr. Marble and the Board of Control at the time of Dr. Marble's resignation, that he would receive compensation for a year from his resignation.

If Dr. Marble wins the election, he will receive salary from the college from November 6 to January 1, at which time he goes on the Federal payroll as a Congressman.

The Board's action was predicated on the fact that Dr. Marble is a candidate for a partisan political office, and the Board did not consider it proper that he should receive salary from a State institution while a candidate.

Dr. Capitan and Frank Bernier reported applications for next fall are up 30.4 per cent, making SVC one of the few state colleges in Michigan to show an increase. Tri-County applications are up 33.7 per cent, which Bernier said indicates a growing recognition by the surrounding community of SVC as an educational institution with a lot to offer.

He cites SVC's 80 per cent job placement rate upon graduation, low cost, unique co-op education program, development of athletics, and the chance to continue in graduate school as some of the key factors contributing to the increase. Bernier noted a 28 per cent increase in the number of applications from transfer students, which he attributes to contacts made by staff members at SVC. Bernier said the figures reflect a lot of hard work by the Admissions Staff.

Dr. Capitan said the 1,017 students enrolled this spring term constitute a 10 per cent increase over the 924 students enrolled last spring. These students have also generated a similar increase in the number of credit hours taken.

Other Board action:

Congratulated the golf team and coach Bob Becker on winning the NAIA District 23 Golf Tournament, and authorized the release of $2,000 to cover expenses of the team's trip to Aberdeen, South Dakota, where they will compete in the Nationals. The money will be repaid to the college with the proceeds of the Second Annual Board of Fellows Golf Day, to be held on July 31 at Bay Valley. The golf team will host the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference championship meet this Friday and Saturday at Bay Valley. The team won the first championship last year.
---Authorized the release of $32,500 from the Wickes Funds for preliminary site planning, surveying, soil borings, and the purchase of topsoil for the football facilities.

---Authorized the release of $20,000 of accumulated earnings from the Hoern Memorial Fund to be designated for general financial aid to students from the tri-county area during the 1974-75 fiscal year.

---Approved a contract with the Alden B. Dow Associates, architects firm for professional services, preliminary planning, and drawings for the Doan Campus Center project.

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Don't forget the SVC-Delta picnic at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, May 22, on our campus. Make your reservation with Ida Freid no later than Monday, May 20th!!!!!!!!!!! Let's have a good turnout!!!!!!!

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