STATE WILL NOT MERGE SVSC, DELTA

SVSC and Delta College will not be merged into a single operation, because each has a separate and unique mission. That was the decision released by Dr. Gerald H. Miller, Director of the State Department of Management and Budget, during a press conference Monday at SVSC. Miller, who is also responsible for implementing recommendations made by the Michigan Efficiency Task Force last fall, stated that "efficiency can best be served not by merging the two institutions, but by expanding upon cooperative ventures already achieved between them."

Miller also recognized the imperative need to construct a $9,000,000 classroom/labatory complex designated "Instructional Facility II" on the SVSC campus. He indicated that he has signed the approval, requesting the Joint Capital Outlay Subcommittee of the legislature to allocate funds to complete the planning stage for this building. According to him, continued growth on the SVSC campus through increased student numbers and in program offerings have made the new building necessary.

In connection with the Task Force recommendation that SVSC sell some of its land holdings, Miller supported the College's recommendation that a re-evaluation of the 1968 campus master plan be implemented as soon as possible. Miller said he has requested funds to the Joint Capital Outlay Subcommittee for action at the earliest possible date to make this re-evaluation.

He went on to commend both SVSC and Delta for recognizing those areas "where co-operative planning and action will result in better use of the tax dollars." He encouraged both institutions to pursue vigorously additional avenues of cost savings and cooperative efforts, and to report their accomplishments to him so these can be shared with all other institutions of post-secondary education in the state.

The press conference followed a meeting of Miller and his staff with SVSC President Jack M. Ryder and Delta President Donald J. Carlyon and a tour of the Delta campus.

Miller indicated that he and his staff were impressed by important cooperative efforts involving the colleges' band, orchestra, libraries, public safety departments, and other shared learning resources, such as SVSC's nursing students using Delta's audio-tutorial nursing laboratory. An interest was also expressed in other areas under study, including a combined catalog for the SVSC and Delta libraries, shared lecture series, bus transportation, sequential scheduling of classes, cooperative purchasing and joint use of computer facilities. One of the Task Force recommendations focused on the possibility of shared computer facilities.

The state recognized the need some 15 years ago for the community college system to function as a parallel system to the state colleges and universities, and nearly all other states have copied the Michigan system over the years. The basic distinction can be seen in the community college: open door admission philosophy, broad continuing education programs, and extensive programming in the occupational fields, including apprenticeships all the way through two-year associate degrees, he noted.

Miller also commended donors in the private sector who have contributed to physical development at SVSC. He noted that the new $2.7 million Pioneer Hall of Engineering and Technology would not have been possible for some time through the state...
budget, because of the tight financial conditions experienced by the state during the past two years.

SVSC's 1968 campus master plan will be re-evaluated because of changes in enrollment projections and in the rate of development of facilities and planning. While Miller pointed out that the SVSC Board of Control has closely followed the 1968 master plan in acquisition of land and in construction of facilities, he stated that the new plan should establish how much land will be necessary for future growth. He indicated that the entire 750-acre SVSC campus has been purchased with private contributions, and if more land has been acquired than necessary for future growth, stated that he would recommend serious consideration be given to selling the excess land and using the proceeds for more pressing needs in the development of the SVSC campus.

FACULTY RECITAL PLANNED BY MUSIC DEPARTMENT

A faculty recital by tenor Terry L. Flatt, his wife, pianist Rose Marie Flatt, and other members of the SVSC Department of Music has been scheduled for Thursday, March 10, at 8 P.M. in the Theatre. Assisting will be a string trio consisting of Mary Anderson on flute, Loren Cady on violin, and Arnold Taylor on viola.

Featured in the program will be works by Bach, Beethoven, Brahms, Lalo, Quilter, Schumann, Schonberg and others. There will be no admission charge and the public is welcome to attend.

MULTI-MEDIA PRESENTATION TO BE PART OF ALCOHOL AWARENESS WEEK

Next Monday through Wednesday, March 7-9, will bring two special multi-media presentations to campus as a programmatic approach to dealing with the responsible use of alcohol, a crucial issue in today's youth culture. As part of Alcohol Awareness Week on campus, the presentations will be shown in Doan Center during lunch hours and include "The Organic Brain Syndrome" and "Alcoholism: Disease In Disguise."

Posters from the National Institute of Alcohol and Alcohol Abuse are being dis-played on campus and the alcohol education program will also be conducted evenings for dorm students. Further information is available from the Department of Campus Life. Louis Kozioi and Ted Nitz are coordinators of the program.

DR. LANGE RECEIVES NATIONAL MEDICAL EDUCATION AWARD

Dr. Crystal M. Lange, Director for the Division of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences at SVSC, is the recipient of the 1977 Monsour Foundation Lectureship Award from the Health Education Media Association (HEMA). HEMA is a 1000-member nationwide organization of medical educators and is headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia.

Dr. Lange will present the Monsour lectureship paper at the Annual HEMA Conference in Miami, Florida on Tuesday, April 26, as a faculty member at the Institute for Nursing Educators. Her subject will be "Mediated Instructional Strategies in Health Education."

According to the School of Medicine at Miami University and the Health Education Media Association, Dr. Lange was selected for the award as the person "making the most outstanding contributions to the use of media in health sciences education."

Dr. Lange, who has earned R.N., F.A.A.N., and Ph.D degrees, joined SVSC in 1976. She received a B.S.N. from the University of Michigan, an M.S.N. from Wayne State University, and earned her Ph.D at Michigan State University in 1972 with a major in Instruction Development and Technology. Before coming to SVSC, she was with Delta College for 11 years and was previously a Staff Nurse and Instructor in Nursing at several large hospitals.

PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT OFFERING PROPERTY REGISTRATION PROGRAM

Personal property belonging to faculty, staff and administrative employees or SVSC students can be protected by having the owner's driver's license number, social security number or other means of identification electrically engraved onto it by the Department of Public Safety.
According to Zane L. Rybkowski, Director of Public Safety, positive identification, such as a serial number, is generally the only way to trace stolen property. When property is properly registered at the Public Safety Police Bureau, the Department will give the owner a compiled list of the items, serial numbers and engraved numbers, and a file copy will be maintained by the Department for entry into the nationwide crime computer if the property should be stolen at some time in the future. This action will increase the likelihood of recovering the property and returning it to the owner.

All campus members are encouraged to take advantage of this program, particularly owners of citizens band radios and car tape players. Owners of these items will be given two decals to place on their car windows in an effort to inform all prospective thieves that the car equipment has been engraved and registered with the police. Decals are also available for other personal items. Rybkowski states that members of the College community who utilize this program will be helping his department maintain a secure campus.

PERSONNEL

YARDMAN II (CETA) - $4.08 per hour.

POLICE PATROLMAN - $10,000 per year.

VICE PRESIDENT FOR BUSINESS AFFAIRS - July 1977.

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF SPANISH (Anticipated Fall '77)

ASSISTANT/ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF PSYCHOLOGY (Anticipated Fall '77)

ASSISTANT/ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF BIOLOGY (Ecologist) (Anticipated Fall '77)

These positions will be open exclusively to SVSC employees for one week. Persons interested should contact the Personnel Office. SVSC is an equal opportunity employer.