TUITION, DORM COSTS RAISED BY BOARD

Both good and bad news for students came out of Monday’s Board of Control meeting. The bad was that resident tuition will be increased by $2 per credit hour, beginning this summer to $24. This represents a 9.09% rise and comes on the heels of increases totaling 29.4% during the past two school years. Room and board rates will be hiked 8.5% this fall to $1580 per year with 21 meals per week. Rising operating costs for food and utilities plus lower than anticipated occupancy levels have made the higher charge necessary. The good news was that, even with the higher tuition, SVSC will apparently still be Michigan’s third-lowest cost state college for commuting students to attend.

Director of Admissions Dick Thompson told the Board that applications for spring semester as of last Friday were 2.7% higher than a year ago. However, the spring head count then was 1,108 students versus 1,250 in spring 1976, an 11.3% decline. Credit hours dropped also, by some 13.6%, to 5,316 compared with 6,153 a year earlier. Total applications for fall semester are up 4.9% this year but have decreased by 20% in the tri-county area. A significant 16% in applications from other Michigan counties has offset this decline. Applications for the month of April were down 9.3% from April 1976.

The Board learned that over 600 inquiries have been received about the new Master of Business Administration graduate program but that applications thus far are apparently being delayed by students waiting to hear from their employers about cost reimbursements.

A report on Residence Halls revealed that 1976-77 was the best year ever in the dorms, with higher retention rates and greater involvement by students in Campus Life activities such as travel, intramurals, and events participation. No Residence Halls student was brought before the all-college judiciary for a serious violation of College regulations during winter semester, in sharp contrast with three such violations tried last year and 18 the previous winter. The Department of Campus Life was commended by the Board for its efforts both on- and off-campus in making positive progress toward providing students with meaningful developmental experiences.

A follow-up study by Mrs. Ann Dickev, director of institutional research, showed that a large majority of students who leave school before completing their degrees are part-time, generally take only one class at a time, attend evenings and are likely to be older than average students. 78% of the respondents reported they were working while in school, with 48% holding down full-time jobs. Generally they left because of conflicts between their studies and jobs or home responsibilities. During 1975-76, most young students who left did so because they couldn't get the curriculum or specific courses they wanted. Now that programs like nursing have been more fully developed, it was felt that broader offerings are more likely keeping these students in school. Respondents said they were particularly favorably impressed with SVSC's small size.

President Jack Ryder reported that there is a "reasonably good chance" the proposed Instructional Facility No.2 classroom/laboratory complex will be included in the new federal public works act now on Pres. Carter's desk awaiting his signature. Dr. Ryder also commended the Triskellions women's group for giving the College another $10,300 last week for student merit scholarships. This brings their total contributions to SVSC students up over the $105,000 mark since 1967.
THURSDAY WORKSHOP TO STUDY HEALTH CARE TRENDS

200 conferees will gather at Doan Center this Thursday, May 12, for the annual spring workshop of the East Central District Medical Auxiliary. Following a 9:00 registration and 9:30 A.M. business meeting, the group will meet for four concurrent two-hour workshops beginning at 10:45 A.M. A 1 P.M. luncheon will be followed by installation of officers for the East Central District Women's Auxiliary, said Mrs. John Shek, Program Chairman, of Saginaw.

A workshop on "Trends in Health Care" will feature State Representative J. Michael Busch of Saginaw; L. Michael Smith, Manager of Educational Services for Michigan Hospital Association, Lansing; and H. A. Ziel, Jr., M.D., Chief of the Bureau of Health Care Administration for the Michigan Department of Public Health, Lansing.

Other discussions will seek "perscriptions" for "What to do in Medical Emergencies Before Professional Help Arrives", "Components of a Volunteer Job", and "Gift Shops".

TRISKELIONS PRESENT $10,000 MORE TO SVSC

SVSC's Triskelions women's group, who volunteer their services and time to operate a Consignment Shop in Midland and a gift shop on campus, marked their tenth anniversary last Friday by presenting a $10,000 check to College President Jack M. Ryder.

The gift brought the total contributed to the College by the Triskelions to $105,614, all of which has been used for scholarships. The check was presented during the annual Recognition Luncheon in Doan Center, where the College thanked the women for their efforts.

Organized in 1967, the Triskelions have grown from an initial membership of five women, all of them then students at SVSC, to more than 165 members. Mrs. Curtis R. Jones of Midland is president; gift shop chairman is Mrs. Frank Waters, Jr. of Saginaw; and the Consignment Shop chair- man is Mrs. J. William Everson of Midland.

MIDLAND STUDENTS WIN MATH OLYMPICS

Two Midland Dow High School juniors achieved perfect scores during this year's SVSC Math Olympics VI on April 19. Peggy Walsh and Phillip Steiner tied for first place in part II of the testing, which was taken by 341 students. Four thousand two hundred students from more than 50 high schools across mid-Michigan competed in part I of the test in February.

The perfect scores by Walsh and Steiner were even more noteworthy because both were juniors and all previous overall winners have been seniors, noted Dr. Joseph Matti, SVSC associate professor of mathematics and director of the Math Olympics.

Top seniors in this year's competition were Mike Gerstenberger of Frankenmuth High School and David Weadock of Eisenhower High School, Saginaw. Highest sophomore was Steve Angelotti of Midland High School, while Walter Karas of Carman High School, Flint, was the top freshman scorer. Each will receive a hand calculator. Scholarship awards to SVSC will go to the leading senior in the competition.

SVSC STUDENT TO PRESENT ORGAN RECITAL

Arthur T. Ralph, an SVSC sophomore music major, will present an organ recital at 4:00 P.M. on Sunday, May 15, at First Baptist Church, 322 N. Jefferson Avenue, Saginaw. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ralph, 301 Sidney, Bay City, and the organist for Fremont Methodist Church and the Notre Dame de la Visitation Catholic Church, both in Bay City.

His instructor at SVSC is Mrs. Ruth Ann Lundgren, a private organ and piano teacher and organist at First Baptist Church of Saginaw. Ralph plays percussion in the SVSC Marching Band and string bass in the Concert Band. He is also a member of the Saginaw Valley Chapter of the American Guild of Organists and the Temple Theater Organ Club.
SCEA TO PRESENT RETIREMENT WORKSHOP

A retirement planning workshop hosted by the Saginaw County Education Association is planned for this Thursday, May 12, at 7:30 P.M. in the Eisenhower High School auditorium. Entitled "Is Your Financial Future Secure?", the workshop will discuss the Michigan Public Employees Retirement System, social security plus wills, estates and trusts.

According to Albert Lundgren of Saginaw Township Schools, any employee of Region 11 school districts is welcome to attend. This includes teachers, administrators, secretaries, custodians, teacher aides, paraprofessionals, and others. Eisenhower High School is ½ miles north of State Street in Saginaw and participants are asked to use the first entrance drive.

RETURN OF HUMAN VALUES SURVEY URGED

SVSC administrative, faculty and professional staff persons who were sent a human values survey by Mark Denay, former assistant director of admissions, are being urged to return them to him within the next several weeks. Denay needs the surveys for his doctoral dissertation and has already begun an analysis of data submitted to him. So far only about 43% of the questionnaires have been returned and he needs 60% or better. Completed surveys should be sent to Denay at the Center for Study of Higher Education, 2007 SEB, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI 48109.

HOT SUMMER EXPECTED IN DOAN CENTER

There will be a hot time in Doan Center this summer, according to Vice President for Business Affairs Dr. Russell B. Driver. That's because lack of a sufficient operating budget will mean that money simply isn't available to permit operation of the air conditioning equipment in Doan this summer. Hopefully things will be better for summer 1978.

DR. TILLOCK TO PRESENT SEMINARS ON CHRISTIAN INTERACTION

Two identical seminars on "Christian Interaction in a Family Setting" will be presented by Dr. Harriet Tillock, Asst. Professor of Sociology, on Tuesday, May 17, at 7:30 P.M. and Friday morning, May 20, at 9:30 A.M. at the Countryside Church, 4690 Weiss, Saginaw. The sessions are open to the public free of charge, and babysitting service will be provided.

Dr. Tillock noted that the seminars will attempt to meet a need expressed in some of her family classes. Depending on the response, a possible set of lectures may be initiated next fall.

LATE REGISTRATION AVAILABLE THROUGH FRIDAY

Although spring session classes began this Tuesday, May 10, students who have not yet registered will have until Friday, May 13, to do so. However, Registrar Gary R. Apsey notes that a $10 late fee will be charged during this time period. Spring session classes will continue through June 29, with summer semester getting underway on Wed., July 6, following open registration from 3-6 P.M. on Tuesday, July 5, in the Registrar's Office. Early registration can be completed anytime between now and Thursday, June 23.

ADMINISTRATIVE/PROFESSIONAL CLASSIFICATION STUDY UNDERWAY

All SVSC administrative and professional staff persons have received classification study questionnaires from the Personnel Office, which will be used to classify their positions properly. According to Personnel Director Larry K. Fitzpatrick, it is necessary to obtain complete information about the duties and responsibilities of each position. Questionnaires must be turned in to your director or vice president's office by Friday, May 13, with supervisor reviews to be completed by Friday, May 20.