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## NEW MASTER PLAN UNVEILED

A new campus master plan for SVSC with future buildings to be placed along an interconnected corridor system was unveiled at Monday's Board of Control meeting. The six-phase future development would allow students to move directly from their autos to covered walkways with student activity and display areas along the way. Phase one -- planned for next year -- includes classroom/office and science buildings, which have already received tentative approval from the state. Possibly a new central library building will also be part of the complex, although it is not yet known if construction might begin next year. Apartments for married students northeast of the present campus are also under consideration.

Bob Gregor of Rossetti Associates emphasized that the advantage of his proposed plan was that the sequence of construction could be modified for the six phases according to when future needs arise or money becomes available for individual projects.

Phase two would include a fine arts building and auditorium, located northwest of Wickes Hall. Next would come a larger fieldhouse with recreation facilities including an indoor track and swimming pool. The phys ed complex would be built northeast of the current gym and would be accompanied by a continuing education center southeast of Pioneer Hall. Because the corridors formed by I.F. 2 and the phys ed complex would run diagonally from Wickes Hall to the present gym and then continue

northeast, a shorter "loop" should be needed when the heating and cooling plant's tunnel is constructed and this should bring a sizable savings.

Phase four will bring an increase in housing, located near the present dormitories, plus an expansion of Doan Center. For phase five the engineering and technology building would be enlarged and phase six would bring Instructional Facility 3, southwest of Wickes Hall. By that time, theoretically around 1990, a re-evaluation of the master plan would again be undertaken.

Vehicular circulation, traffic, ease of access to buildings, parking and pedestrian travel all have been considered in the present plan. Modifications to the campus entrances would be undertaken to present a strong visual and graphic statement that this is indeed a college when people are speeding by on Bay or Davis Roads. Landscaping, including the use of considerable earth berms, random plantings and retention ponds would change the campus' earth statements from their present "deadly" flatness. President Ryder noted that the plan "put students in the closest proximity to classes relative to parking of any campus I've seen". Board Chairman Curtiss felt that "we have here a design for a smaller, much stronger campus." All agreed that the Rossetti design is a complete statement that SVSC is a campus and places a strong emphasis on our image. The new drawings will be displayed on campus during the next two weeks.

A report on SVSC's Bilingual/Bicultural Teacher Training Program by Director Adolph J. Ayala followed. SVSC is becoming known as a bilingual/bicultural center across the U. S., as the program here has been one of the most successful anywhere. The program here is one of only four in the state which has received federal funding and in the future, SVSC is likely to be servicing a state-wide area, partially because the second largest Spanish-speaking population in Michigan lives in this area. In addition,

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the program is tied in with three area school districts and is the only one that operates directly through a joint written agreement.

Director of Admissions Dick Thompson reported that SVSC is branching out in terms of where enrolled students come from. Sixty-one of the state's 83 counties are now represented on campus, with the 1700 from Saginaw County constituting the largest group. Nearly 800 are enrolled from Bay, over 200 from Midland, and 40 or more students come from each of six other counties. Thompson projected an enrollment increase for next fall of 6-7%. Tri-county students say they attend here because SVSC is close to home, has a low cost, small size, co-op program, specific academic program, no application fee, athletics and an honors program. From other Michigan counties students liked our small size best, with other factors the same as listed by area students.

Thompson reported he is "almost stunned" by the positive response being noted toward SVSC at some schools outside the quad counties. "Lots of nice things are happening and SVSC is fun to sell," he said. Our fastest-growing freshman enrollment is in the Thumb counties of Tuscola, Huron and Sanilac. This year, the four admissions counselors are attending over 110 college nights and have already visited more than 300 of the state's 710 high schools. Thompson expressed a concern by the way that part-time enrollment is increasing, as this group does not have as much flexibility regarding when they can fit classes into their schedules. He noted that the mature adults recruitment plan will enlarge this group even more and thus increase the burden on academic support services. Thompson felt that high school visitations are the best thing helping us this year and attributed his success to exhibits at county fairs and malls, community service involvement and the College's publications program.

Gene Hamilton reported that the cooperative education program is now involving

more employers and that he and John Broadfoot are meeting with business and industry representatives to make them more aware of our services. A coffee and doughnut hour for employees of area business and industry is planned for Doan Center from 7-9 P.M. on Tuesday, December 13, when an attempt will be made to show what services are available.

Next, resolutions were approved which praised the SVSC cross country team for placing second in the NAIA national meet last Saturday at the University of Wisconsin-Parkside and for winning the GLIAC and NAIA District 23 titles. Both team captain Pete Hallop and runner Brad Shaw earned All-American honors, while Hallop, Shaw, and Pat Fitzgerald, Mike Heath, Mike DuCharme, Ken Jerzierski and Greg Henry were each named to the District 23 all-conference team. In addition, Coach Doug Hansen was named District 23 Coach of the Year for the sixth time. A similar resolution praised the football team's Axe Bowl victory and its 6 won - 5 loss record, its first winning season ever. Defensive end Lynn Conway, noseguard Jack Hatt, line-backer Jim Reese and offensive back John Waters were congratulated for being named to the District 23 first team, while Reese and Waters also are on the all-GLIAC first team. Records by kicker Joe Slater, Waters, and defensive back Ken Tolfree were also acknowledged.

The proposed College Mission and Goals Statement was discussed next, with an addition proposed by Chairman Curtiss. Dr. Hal Peterson, Dean of the School of Education, recommended adoption of the document, which he stressed will be a working version which will become more specific as it is actually written out and modified. A proposed addition by Chairman Curtiss was called "very helpful" and all agreed it would not be in conflict with the goals stated. The Board agreed to accept the preliminary report on mission as a working statement and will expect a unified final report from the steering committee by next May.

A report on the engineering and technology program by Director Eldon L. Graham showed

that enrollment has increased from 30 student majors four years ago to 140 at present, with a substantial increase expected once Pioneer Hall opens in January. By using masonry and pre-stress concrete beam construction, Pioneer Hall has been built with no cost overruns and a final building price of slightly under \$2 million or \$45 per square foot. Even with the instrumentation and equipment which will be added, the price is expected to total a "very reasonable" \$55. Classrooms will be used in January, with labs to be developed over the next few months. The new electronic engineering program is expected to be running at full steam by September, with a few courses to be offered during spring/summer. There will be no smoking in classrooms, which will be carpeted, although there will be smoking areas outside. The building has central fire alarm and public address systems.

It was decided to skip the proposed December 19 Board meeting and move the next regular session to Monday, January 9, at which time a final budget is expected to be presented. Chairman Curtiss named Dr. Helen Suchara and John Kendall to the Academic and Personnel Committee; Melvin Zahnow and Florence "Jo" Saltzman to the Budget, Finance and Investments Committee; and Dr. Richard Gilmore and Honey Arbury to the Facilities Committee, including facilities planning. The Executive Committee will consist of Curtiss, Kendall, Arbury and Zahnow and will meet infrequently if absolutely necessary. Curtiss will be an ex-officio member of each of the committees, which will meet simultaneously immediately before future general Board meetings.

#### CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION DISMISSES TWO CASES AGAINST COLLEGE

Charges filed by a female staff member against SVSC have been dismissed by the director of enforcement of the Michigan Civil Rights Commission. The woman had claimed that a more recently employed male in the same department was paid more than she although both had equal qualifications.

The Civil Rights Commission response said that "a comparison of the salaries of the newly-hired persons with the salaries of seniority staff who held equivalent degrees did not disclose a sexist pattern of unequal wages. The investigation disclosed examples of both newly-hired men and women who were paid more than seniority staff members of the same sex. The investigation did not disclose evidence of unlawful discrimination."

Also disposed of was the case of Dr. Benjamin N. Okwumabua, who had filed charges in March 1976 that he was denied tenure because of his race and in September 1976 that he was denied upgrading because of his race. According to the director of enforcement, "The claimant left SVSC during March 1976 before the end of the school year and is now living and working in the state of New York. Since leaving the Saginaw area, the claimant has, on different occasions, failed to cooperate in assisting in the investigation of his complaint. The investigation cannot be completed without the claimant's cooperation. It is ordered that this complaint be closed without a finding because of the lack of cooperation from the claimant."

In Okwumabua's earlier arbitration case decided last December, the arbitrator ruled in favor of the College on each of three counts and determined then that "the evidence is just not sufficient to persuade the arbitrator by any standard that illegal discrimination played a part in SVSC's decision to terminate Dr. Okwumabua."

Any persons in the College community with questions or concerns about their civil rights are encouraged and requested to first discuss them with Dr. Guy M. Lee, Jr., Assistant to the President for Affirmative Action.

#### SVSC PLAY TO PRESENT HUMOROUS LOOK AT MARRIAGE

Humorous entertainment for your conscious level is coming along with informative instructions for your subconscious, as the SVSC Department of Speech and Theatre presents "Play Strindberg" on Thursday

through Saturday, December 1, 2, and 3, at 8:00 P.M. in the College Theatre. The play demonstrates that even a happy marriage can be an unholy mess and will be presented as a funny look at a not so funny situation. Reserved seats are available at \$3.00 for adults and \$1.50 for students by calling the Campus Activities Office at Ext. 525.

#### CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED

Since both Christmas Day 1977 and New Year's Day 1978 fall on Sundays - Monday and Tuesday, December 26 and 27 and Thursday and Friday, December 29 and 30 - will be observed by employees as the normal holidays in accord with College policies. Thus, only Wednesday, December 28, in the week after Christmas would be a normal working day this year.

The administration feels that it would be best not to heat College buildings and water for just this one day because of its concern that maximum energy conservation practices be utilized at SVSC. Consequently, the decision has been made that for 1977 only ALL College operations will be closed on Wednesday, December 28, as well...and this year's Christmas vacation will begin after regular working hours on Friday, December 23, and continue until midnight, Sunday, January 1, 1978.

ALL REGULAR COLLEGE FUNCTIONS WILL RESUME NORMAL OPERATION ON MONDAY, JANUARY 2, 1978.

The granting of this extra holiday on Wednesday, December 28, is for this year only and is a result of the unusual situation that both Christmas Day and New Year's Day fall on Sundays.

#### UNIQUE DANCE GROUP TO PERFORM AT SVSC

With a mixture of dance styles ranging from jazz and modern to Afro-Haitian dance techniques, the New York-based Rod Rodgers Dance Company will be performing at SVSC on Tuesday, December 6.

The well-known company, established in the mid-1960's, will present an 8:00

P.M. concert at the SVSC Theatre.

The troupe's repertoire includes a variety from sensuous abstractions to dance drama and social commentary, plus unique percussion plays. The company was one of the first American dance companies under the direction of a Black artist to establish a base of recognition for dance styles other than those exclusively ethnic or traditional Afro-American.

The company's appearance at SVSC is sponsored by the College Program Board and is made possible by support from Student Government and the Department of Campus Life.

Tickets are priced at \$2.50 general admission, \$1.00 for SVSC students and \$1.50 for other students and are available at the Campus Activities Office, Ext. 525.

#### COUNSELING, REGISTRATION COMBINED AT SVSC

A one-stop counseling and registration system for freshman and sophomore students has been implemented here. The long lines and corresponding waits normally associated with registration at any college have been eliminated with the new express counseling and registration system for winter semester classes, which begin in January.

Under the new system, the freshmen and sophomores have received letters scheduling them for half-hour meetings with their academic counselors. To accommodate the various home, work and college schedules of the students, the counseling center is operating from 8 A.M. to noon and 1 to 9 P.M. Monday through Thursdays, as well as from 9 A.M. to 2 P.M. Saturdays during the peak advisement period. Students can easily change their tentative appointment times for counseling and registration by calling the counseling center at Ext. 283 or 295 if a different time slot is desired.

Pre-counseling is also available through faculty members for students who have already selected an academic major. In addition, peer advisors are on hand at the counseling center to answer basic

questions and help new students fill out trial class schedules.

Before enrolling at Saginaw Valley for the first time, newly-admitted students now complete 40-minute Sequential Tests of Education Progress in the areas of mathematics, reading, and composition, which includes both English expression and a writing sample. Minimum test scores in the 70th percentile are required for both the mathematics and reading areas, while a minimum 78% score is necessary to pass the English expression test. Members of the College English Department score the writing sample.

"Use of these basic skills tests enable us to spot deficiencies in a student's past preparation in high school or a community college," notes Dr. William Byas, Director of Academic Support Services. "Simply placing an unprepared student in a college-level course such as our English 111, Elements of Composition class would be a disservice both to him and to other students if he is unprepared. Thus we have a basic skills course entitled English 100, Writing Skills for those who do not meet SVSC's criteria on the test."

"Other basic skills courses include English 102, Reading Development, for students who do not perform satisfactorily on the reading test and Natural Science 107, Basic Math, for those who experience difficulty with the math computation test."

Byas stresses that the testing program, initiated in 1974, is part of the College's commitment to help students develop to their fullest potential. Tutorial sessions run by a student development coordinator and the basic skills courses are tools to help students gain proficiency they may be lacking when they enter college. "The object is to increase the skill level of every student. Our counselors do not require students to enroll in anything, but we strongly advise them to follow an orderly sequence based on their stated interest or major, along with departmental and SVSC require-

ments," he said.

Advance registration for winter semester will continue daily from now through December 9 from 8 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., and the College will be closed for Thanksgiving this Thursday and Friday, November 24-25. Further information on admissions or registration and a copy of the winter semester class schedule are available by calling Ext. 224 and asking to speak with an admissions counselor.

#### PERSONNEL

COMPUTER OPERATOR - Salary negotiable.

SENIOR ACCOUNTING CLERK - Business Office. Full-time permanent. \$3.53 per hour.

(2) CUSTODIAN I - Physical Plant. Full-time permanent. \$4.52 per hour. Both positions will be assigned to the day shift to assist in the move to Pioneer Hall during December. Regular shift assignments will be made after January 1, 1978.

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.