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\$1.5 MILLION STATE AID INCREASE SOUGHT

SVSC is seeking a \$1.5 million increase in state aid from the legislature for the 1978-79 fiscal year, the Board of Control was told Monday by President Jack M. Ryder. The Higher Education Subcommittees of the State House and Senate Appropriations Committees were asked last week for an additional \$569,245 to cover inflation in areas such as utility costs, compensation and supplies, expenses and equipment. \$357,300 was requested to cover faculty compensation supplies and expenses resulting from rapid enrollment increases. Head count this fall is expected to rise approximately 7.1% or 251 students to 3,780, with credit hours up about 4.8%. SVSC has been the state's fastest-growing public institution for the past five years, during which time a 57% enrollment gain has been recorded. Ryder reported that total applications for Fall Semester are up 12% over this time last year, while Freshman admissions have gained 15%.

As a developing institution, SVSC is attempting to obtain an additional \$502,600 in state support. Part would be for faculty, to reduce the percentage of classes taught by part-time instructors from the current 33% down to 15%. The money would also be used to improve custodial and maintenance services, computer capacity for increased instructional and support services, and additional budgetary and financial systems analysis support. \$12,000 is being sought for custodial service at Pioneer Hall to increase last year's appropriation from nine to 12 months. In addition, \$50,000 is being requested to develop public service television programming in cooperation with Delta College.

This would give SVSC an opportunity and outlet to use our faculty for service to the community in providing tri-county or regional economic forecasts, analyses of local problems such as land use, crime, employment, transportation, recreational development, waste treatment, and water as well as social problems and cultural programs in music, art, and valley history. Total of these requests is \$1,491,145, which the college is requesting on top of last year's \$5,299,500 state appropriation.

Due to growth and new technology, a special request was submitted to replace the present inadequate telephone system with a new Dimensions telephone system which would handle the college's future needs indefinitely, and could accommodate up to 2,000 telephones. Estimated cost for the project is \$146,000. President Ryder cited figures from the governor's office which showed that virtually all increases in state allocations during the past nine years had been consumed by enrollment increases while the college's annual average percentage increase in appropriations over prior year expenditures has been 29.2%, 28.3%--or all but .9% has represented an increase for enrollment with only a very small amount to improve quality.

"Again this year the governor's 8.5% budget increase recommendation does not recognize any increase in head count. We are extremely hopeful the legislature will appropriate an amount substantially above the governor's recommendation. It is clear that if our appropriation is much lower than we have sought, a tuition increase will be necessary by this fall. The amount would be related to the percentage of increase in our appropriations," Ryder said.

Dean of the School of Education Dr. Harold Peterson reported that SVSC has issued 652 elementary and 351 secondary provisional teaching certificates during the past nine calendar years. Three hundred and eleven continuing certificates have also been issued along with 42 endorsements and 44 renewals for a grand total of 1400 certificates.

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Peterson noted that a total of 455 Master of Arts in Teaching degrees have been awarded. Through the MAT program in MaComb County which began in Summer 1974, over 8,000 credit hours have been generated along with a tuition income of \$329,000, yielding a net return to the general budget of \$93,432. The Dean said that SVSC's program in developmental learning, designed to prepare teachers to work with handicapped or gifted children in regular classrooms, has been built into the regular elementary curriculum here via an extensive block of course work. Ours was the first and is still virtually the only education program in Michigan to deal with exceptional children in developmental learning. Peterson reported we have been asked to design a bilingual, bi-cultural in-service education program for teachers in the Lansing school system because of the success SVSC's bilingual/bi-cultural endorsement program has had here.

For the future, Peterson felt we must continually expand our offerings off-campus. There is also considerable room to grow in the early childhood education area, as we are just starting there.

"We must look beyond the certified teacher as our market, for even if they already are certified and have Masters degrees, most need to improve their professional development. We should use our faculty both to generate credit hours and to work on a non-credit basis. We should look for ways to educate training officers in business and social agencies to help them develop educational materials, organize their curriculum, and establish more efficient training methods for them to use in teaching their own people," Peterson said. He also felt we should consider changing the mastercontract to free ourselves of the requirement that faculty members teach only on campus and in credit-generating courses.

"Certification is not the only market where we can grow. We are small enough and can adapt easier and more quickly than larger colleges and as long as we offer programs teachers want, they will succeed," he stated. Board Chairman Curtiss supplied figures showing that the 30 public colleges

in Michigan have mostly recorded sharp declines in the number of teacher candidates they are graduating. From a high of 14,085 in 1972-73, the number of teacher candidates graduated dropped to 7,596 for 1976-77 and is expected to further decline to 6,516 for 1979-80. Curtiss felt we must ask if some of the 30 colleges in Michigan producing teachers should drop their teacher education programs at the undergraduate level.

"Michigan's need for teachers is declining steadily and is it thus economically feasible for the state to increasingly fund declining enrollments in education?" he asked.

According to the Department of Education, the number of teaching openings has dropped from 12,776 in 1972-73 to just 3,723 in 1976-77, with a projected need for 6,133 teachers in 1977-78.

Director of Public Safety Zane Rybkowski said that our campus fortunately has not experienced any major crimes since his department was established two years ago. Assault and battery cases dropped from 11 in 1976 to just two in 1977, while crimes against property decreased from 18 breaking and enterings in 1976 to nine in 1977. Larcenies over \$100 declined from 51 to 13, while larcenies under \$100 rose from seven to 65. However, Rybkowski indicated that the person who caused most of these larceny problems has since been apprehended and urged all members of the campus community to safeguard their valuables by keeping track of things such as purses and desk calculators. Thefts on campus caused a loss of about \$2300 in college-owned articles but 81% or about \$1800 of the articles were recovered. Personal losses, however, accounted for a \$4000 loss, of which only \$300 was retrieved. Rybkowski urged the campus community to prevent crime by safeguarding purses, calculators and other valuable items and by locking doors and desks.

SVSC's four patrol officers logged 5436 hours of patrol time last year and spent 689 hours on calls and reports. The college is now a part of the Saginaw County Central Dispatch System and is thus able both to provide or receive assistance from other county police agencies. Seven-hundred and ten reports of conditions were made

last year, while the department assisted 400 citizens on campus and helped with 470 vehicle assists.

The various task forces gathering information for the college's institutional mission are continuing their work, and the task force on student life has recently sent questionnaires to students. All of this is part of the North Central Association Institutional Self-Study, with the ultimate result to be a mission statement for SVSC. A new look at this refined statement is expected in another month or so after more input has been received from the various committees working on the document.

Resolutions adopted by the Board honored the five track team members who earned All-American status, the men's and women's basketball teams for their respective 21-8 and 21-6 won/lost records, Dale Brown and Michael Plowden for the recognition they have received from the NAIA District 23 and GLIAC athletic conferences and also SVSC wrestlers Ralph Roberts and Terry Nicholson for achieving All-American recognition.

Finally, a resolution was submitted and approved which will ban smoking in classrooms, lecture hall, laboratories, Pioneer Room and all conference rooms when being used for scheduled class meetings, the gymnasium playing area and exercise room, the library, the theatre auditorium, designated areas of Doan Center in the Cafeteria and Cardinal's Nest, as well as individual music and practice rooms. The new policy applies equally to faculty and staff members, students and visitors. Smoking will as a result not be permitted effective Spring Term due to the imposition it causes some members of the college community. Approximately 700 students voted a year ago with 81% urging that smoking be banned. A second vote this year yielded similar results, according to student government President James Donovan, who also noted that the student newspaper takes a similar position.

FINZEL NAMED COMPUTER SERVICES DIRECTOR

New Director of Computer Services is James N. Finzel of Livonia. A graduate of Henry Ford Community College and Wayne State University, he comes to SVSC following eight years as Director of the Administrative Systems Department at Eastern Michigan University.

While at EMU, he was responsible for installation of three separate computers and directed the efforts of over 30 people in computer operations, programming and systems design.

Previous experience was with Ford Motor Company from 1961-1969 as a programmer, senior programmer, and programmer group leader. Earlier he spent four years with Chrysler Corporation as a procedures editor and junior analyst and programmer. He also served with the U.S. Army from 1953-1955 and is a native of Dearborn.

Finzel is also a major collector of detective-mystery fiction books. He and his wife Sally, have two sons and plan to relocate here shortly.

NEXT SCIENCE COLLOQUIUM IS FRIDAY

Dr. Frank Chen, Associate Professor of Physics, will discuss "White Light Holography" at the bi-weekly science colloquium this Friday, March 17, at 1:30-2:30 p.m. in Room 217 Wickes Hall. Refreshments will be served from 1:00 to 1:30 p.m. preceding the talk.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT RECITAL MARCH 18

Three members of the SVSC Music Department will be giving a recital Saturday, March 18, at 8:00 p.m. in the Theatre.

The three, Julie Meyer, Mary Anderson, and Sylvia Kahan, will be presenting a musical program of varied works from Mozart to Ravel.

Ms. Myer, a soprano soloist who teaches music and vocal instruction at SVSC, will be giving a program of selections from such

composers as Rachmaninoff and Mozart. She will be accompanied on some of the pieces by Ms. Kahan, a pianist and music teacher at SVSC and Delta College.

Ms. Kahan will also be giving solo performances of such works as Ravel's Sonatine in F# Minor and R. Schumann's Papillon. She will also be accompanied by Ms. Anderson, a flautist and choir director at Delta College.

Ms. Anderson, who has been a member of the Saginaw Symphony Orchestra for 19 years, will also solo on Debussy's Syrinx.

All three ladies will join in to end the recital with selections from Ravel's Shéhérazade.

Ms. Meyer has performed with the American Music Theatre in several opera productions, and has appeared in some Central Michigan University opera productions. Ms. Anderson heads the Flute Choir at Delta College, the only one of its kind in the state of Michigan. She is also in charge of the Chamber Ensemble Group at SVSC. Ms. Kahan has appeared in recitals throughout Michigan as a soloist, accompanist, and chamber musician. She recently toured Michigan with tenor Royal Harris of the Metropolitan Opera.

POLISH MOVIE SET FOR SUNDAY

"The Farmers", based on the Nobel Prize-winning novel by Wladyslaw S. Reymont will be shown at 3:00 p.m. this Sunday, March 19 in the Wickes Lecture Hall. Sponsored by the Institute of Polish Studies, the movie is in Polish with English subtitles. There will be no admission charge, and the public is invited to attend.

POET TO READ AT SVSC MARCH 21

Ms. Cynthia Nibbelink will be giving a poetry reading in the Faculty Lounge Tuesday, March 21 at 8:00 p.m. Ms. Nibbelink will be reading selections from her book "Animals" and excerpts from an upcoming book which the Green River Press at SVSC will publish in the fall.

Ms. Nibbelink's poetry has been included in "The Third Coast", an anthology of Michigan poets published by the Wayne

State University Press. Her work was singled out for special attention by the book reviewer of the "Saturday Review" magazine.

She is presently working on poets in schools with the Michigan Council of the Arts. She is also part-time with the Folklore Society of Grand Rapids. She has been poet-in-residence at Grand Valley State College, and recently returned from a two-week reading tour of the west coast.

The public is invited to attend the free reading, which is being sponsored by the "Green River Review". For more details, call Information Services at ext. 207 or 208.

LIVE SHAKESPEARE COMING TO SAGINAW VALLEY

Saginaw Valley area fans of William Shakespeare can view a live production of his famous play "Othello" at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 30, in the SVSC Theatre. The play, which demonstrates how love triumphs over evil and hate, will be presented by the National Shakespeare Company of New York City as part of the 1978 SVSC Program Board performing arts series.

The twelve-member, colorfully-costumed cast is backed by six directors and designers, as well as a four-member New York staff. Phillip Meister, director of the play and founder of the company, is also artistic director and producer.

General admission tickets are available for \$4.00, while SVSC or Delta College students will be admitted for \$2.00. Reservations can be made by contacting the SVSC Activities Office at ext. 525.

PAINTING STUDENTS TO SHOW WARES

Advance painting students of Gayle Leece will be exhibiting samples of their work in the art workshop gallery between Monday, March 27 and Friday, April 7.

The paintings, created as class projects, involve infinite and limited space as well as illumination. Hard edge, painterly and other techniques were employed for various effects. The public is welcome to come and see the talents of SVSC students on display.

BASKETBALL DINNER IS NEXT WEEK

Members of the women's basketball team will be honored next Tuesday March 21 at 7:00 p.m. during their annual recognition banquet at Sullivan's North Restaurant on Bay Road, Saginaw. The men's varsity basketball dinner will take place at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday March 22 at the Bavarian Inn, Frankenmuth. Seniors on the men's team, who recently completed their SVSC playing careers are Dale Brown, Bob Wenson, Dale Klein, and Keith Blazaitis.

BOWLERS WIN DISTRICT; NATIONALS IN DOUBT

Led by Saginaw senior Matt Sujkowski with 1203 total pins, the SVSC Bowling Team won the NAIA District 23 Bowling Tournament in Bay City on Saturday. Total team score was 5514 pins, 300 better than second-place finisher Detroit College's 5214. Coach Ted Nitz was disappointed that the team's total output was not higher, as he feels at least 5700 pins will likely be needed to proceed to the NAIA National Tourney April 14 and 15 in Kansas City. However, the cutoff two years ago was 5487 and there is also still a chance for a wild-card berth.

CAMPUS NOTES--

--Dr. Lynn Herkstroeter, Assistant Professor of Languages, participated Saturday in administering a contest for high school French students from the tri-counties. The top three area winners in the contest, sponsored by the American Association of Teachers of French, will go on to Ypsilanti for the state competition. Last year, over 45,000 students participated in the U.S. and Canada.

--SVSC students Jack Oeming and Janeen Sullivan spent three days at Freeland Schools last week collecting data to determine the appropriate grade level at which to begin teaching the foundation for free enterprise. Both are students in the free enterprise project, supervised by Associate Professor of Marketing Dr. Shiv K. Arora. The SVSC students tested fifth, eighth, and eleventh graders before and after a movie on free enterprise. Results of the project will be presented in a regional

competition at Midland on April 21.

--Associate Professor of Business Law William G. Elliott will speak on "Our Legal Determination of Life: What Should It Be?" at the 14th annual meeting of the Midwest Business Administration Association in Chicago on April 6-8. Elliott, who is also Secretary/Treasurer of the American Business Law Association, will be attending the conference to report on matters of national interest to college law professors.

--Dr. James L. Mitchell, Professor of Accounting, recently collaborated with CMU Professor of Accounting Dr. Leonard Plachta in an all-day professional development program in Lansing for Certified Public Accountants in the office of the State Auditor General. Topics of the meeting were "The Conceptual Framework of Accounting" and "Operational Auditing of Institutions of Higher Education".

--The "Mystery Person" Badge Program will end the week of April 14 with a \$200 award to be given at that time to the person who has most consistently worn his or her SVSC name badge during the past school year. Start counting up the blue tickets you've been receiving! In case of a tie, a drawing will determine the winner.

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Assistant Professor of Marketing
(Anticipated Fall 1978).

Senior Secretary, Public Safety. Full-time, permanent. \$3.53/hour.

(2) Part-time Lecturers of Spanish
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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.