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BOARD GRANTS TENURE TO FOUR, PROMOTES ELEVEN

Tenure was granted to four SVSC faculty members Monday during the June Board of Control meeting. Their approval followed an earlier recommendation from the College Professional Practices Committee. Named are: Jon Cisky, associate professor of criminal justice; Dr. Douglas Hansen, associate professor of physical education; Dr. Richard Trdan, assistant professor of biology; and Dr. Gene Yang, associate professor of biology.

Pamela Chally and Eunice Hinz, both in nursing, were advanced from the rank of instructor to assistant professor. Promoted from assistant to associate professor were: Dr. David Dalgarin, biology; Dr. Susie Emond, education; Dr. Altaf Rahman, electrical engineering technology; Dr. Alexander Ross, sociology; and Dr. Dale Sultzbaugh, social work.

Joining the ranks of full professors were: Dr. Charles Brown, music; Dr. Rose Novey, mathematical science; Dr. Bernyce Smith, English/education; and Dr. Gene Yang, biology.

Parking lot "E," located north of the physical education building and east of parking lot "D," will be paved this summer, along with installation of curbing, sidewalks and lighting. Lowest of five bids for the paving portion came from Saginaw Asphalt Paving Company, at $107,592.50. Five bids were received and formally opened for the project last Friday.

For the lighting portion, Delta Electric Company of Saginaw has apparently submitted the lowest bid of $49,945. However, the award will be contingent on this contractor's ability to obtain a 100 percent performance bond and submission of adequate job experience. Second low bid came from MacMillan Electric, Saginaw, at $52,366. Both the lighting and paving will be paid from earnings received from parking lot operations over the next several years and held in the auxiliary activities fund.

Director of admissions Richard Thompson reported that total first time in college applications for fall semester are still up 25.4 percent at the end of May over the "bonanza year" of 1980. "We're in even better shape this time around, and it's especially gratifying to see how well the numbers in Midland county are coming along, he noted. In all, 1,535 FTIC applications have been received so far compared with 1,224 at this time in 1980.

"Overall our total applications are 19.3 percent higher. We're 65 percent of the way home, as we're seeking 3,200-plus applications by September. I'm cautiously optimistic because a lot of students are not yet enrolled and the summer months will speak to that," Thompson stated.

The dorms will definitely be jammed again this fall, as 445 contracts have already been received for 479 places. That figure compares with 287 at the same time in 1980. Twenty-six returning students already are on a waiting list and probably will not be back in the dorms this fall. A year ago at this point, 43 new students had returned contracts, compared with 178 now, according to figures reported by dean of students Dr. Philip Beal.
President Jack Ryder said, "It's a bad situation to put returning students on a waiting list. But if we limit freshmen more than already, we will affect the total number who can come here." Beal indicated that by the end of the week, there will be more than enough freshmen applications to fill the dorms.

'We will be working closely with students who won't have housing here to locate places out in the community. Last year we assisted 173 students and, starting in July, we will call each person who has housing available to get a better handle on what is still available,' Beal stated.

Vice president for administrative affairs Dr. Emerson D. Gilbert said the college is working with a private developer to provide additional housing on campus. The attorney general is currently reviewing a request by the college to establish whether the leasing of land at low cost is a question of lending the credit of the state to a private developer. Gilbert stated that three departments in the attorney general's office have reviewed the matter and a final decision is expected to come soon. No other college has previously tried to lease land to a private source before.

If the attorney general's opinion is not favorable, Gilbert said SVSC might look at an outright sale of land to the developer with a reversion clause. He indicated another party is also interested in buying land and constructing a small residential hall, but nothing is expected to be ready for students coming here this fall.

In other action, the Board
--adopted a resolution authorizing the administration to continue general fund expenditures for salaries and wages and other services, supplies and equipment 'as may reasonably be required to permit continued operation of the College at a level generally consistent with the operating budget for the 1980-81 fiscal year.' The resolution will remain in effect until the 1981-82 general fund operating budget is approved, probably in August. The phrase quoted above deleted the wording "or as changed by the president" at the end, after Board member G. James Williams felt that "the last phrase is almost a blank check for the president. Minor alterations are O.K., but this is possibly too broad a power," he indicated.
--approved a resolution honoring the 1981 outdoor track teams for their accomplishments in the GLIAC, district 23 NAIA and national meets. Board member Jo Saltzman asked that the term "Lady Cardinal" used in front of the name of Tena Forrester be changed to her class standing of "sophomore" instead, and this was also approved.
--honored the 1981 SVSC golf team with a resolution for placing 14th in the NAIA national golf tournament in Texas. However, considerable discussion ensued first and Williams said, "I'm not sure 14th is good enough to merit a resolution. If so, we could have special Board resolutions for almost everything and could do one every time a team ends up over .500. Somehow this destroys the value of resolutions, which ought to be reserved for only extra special occasions." The resolution was accepted after Curtiss pointed out that "fourteenth is a pretty respectable finish, when you consider that we're competing against all the other teams in the U.S. and we're one of probably only two or three from north of the Mason-Dixon line."
--learned that SVSC has received a $9,651 grant to study transient heat transfer in coated superconductors, the first such contract awarded by the U.S. Air Force to SVSC. "This is indicative of our increasing research activities," noted sponsored programs director M. S. "Cy" Smith.
--unanimously approved a resolution extending appreciation to Charles B. Curtiss for his outstanding contributions as chairman of the Board since 1973. Curtiss asked not to be a candidate for reelection of the chairmanship this year and will be succeeded on July 1 by current vice chairman John W. Kendall of Southfield.