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SVSC ADMINISTRATORS MAKE CASE FOR APPROPRIATIONS INCREASE

An SVSC delegation appearing before the House Subcommittee for Higher Education/Grants and Scholarships on Thursday, March 8, asked for increases in appropriations to reflect the college's growth in enrollment during the past five years.

"SVSC urgently requests a state appropriation more nearly adequate for today's size and today's costs," said College President Jack M. Ryder. "We ask a sufficient increase in state support so that next year's tuition increase need not exceed the growth rate of personal income."

Pointing out that rapid inflation and deteriorating state revenues between the 1978-79 and 1982-83 fiscal years was coupled with a 20 percent rise in student numbers, Ryder said students now pay 37 percent of college operating costs through tuition and fees. In 1978-79 only 25 percent of general fund revenues came from tuition and fees. In the same time period, state appropriations dropped from 72 percent to 61 percent of total general fund revenues. The remaining one to three percent of operating costs come from other sources, including contributions.

Ryder commended Governor Blanchard for his proposal to maintain tuition at current levels, but explained that appropriations to state public colleges and universities should differentiate between schools with steady or declining enrollments and those that have grown. "SVSC needs more than a six percent net increase in its operating budget to maintain quality programs and services," he said. He noted that an across-the-board appropriations increase does not recognize budgetary pressures experienced by schools with operating deficits.

Asked if SVSC expects enrollment to drop with the dwindling pool of 18-year olds, Ryder said that, since approximately half of SVSC's students are 25 or older, the large pool of students in that age bracket will offset any declines in 18-year old enrollment.

College administrators presented data detailing nine combinations of tuition and state appropriation income that would balance the 1984-85 operating budget. If no attempt is made to reduce the accumulated deficit, a zero tuition increase would require 15.2 percent rise in appropriations. A five percent hike in tuition would need 11.4 percent rise in state appropriations for balance, they maintain. A six percent increase in appropriations would necessitate tuition and fees rates 12.2 percent higher than current rates, according to the chart. Figures were based on SVSC's November budget request, termed a "bare bones" plan. The proposal would allow hiring of four additional faculty members, compensation increases averaging five percent, and a seven percent increase in supplies, materials and services budgets.

Also testifying at the hearing were Admissions Representative Michael Finney and Dean of Education Guy M. Lee. Finney reported on the increase in minority enrollment at SVSC since 1981-82 and outlined plans for minority recruitment support. Lee discussed proposals for assisting the teaching profession. He listed methods for attracting qualified students into preparation for the profession, maintaining those who are currently teaching, and setting standards for the training of teachers. Lee also presented ideas for strengthening K-12 programs, including partnerships with colleges and universities.

ART PROVIDES BRIDGE TO CULTURAL UNDERSTANDING

Like many travelers, Dr. John V. Jezierski and his family have sometimes felt a sense of distance, not only in miles, but in thought and custom, during their stay in Tokushima, Japan. Jezierski, professor of history, was particularly frustrated by the difficulty of studying Japan's cultural history without benefit of an extensive knowledge of the Japanese language.

Recently he made a discovery that has greatly aided his research efforts. On the recommendation of a friend, Jezierski viewed a local department store exhibition demonstrating the influence of nineteenth-century Japanese wood block prints on the French Impressionist painters. "The exhibition was a good one," Jezierski wrote. "The relationship between the Ukiyoe painters and the Impressionists was quite clearly demonstrated.

"More important, there was a series of richly colored and carefully crafted prints, presented almost as an afterthought to the main exhibition. With the captions in Kana, and lacking the services of an interpreter, I could only speculate that it was a special collection on display as a complement to the main exhibition.

"One group of prints that appeared to share a common theme especially captured my attention. In the foreground the artist presented rather commonplace settings and ordinary looking people. In the background, seen from a variety of angles and distances, was always the same mountain. I have since learned that the series of prints was Hokusai's 'Views of Mt. Fuji.'"

Quite coincidentally, Jezierski stopped at a book shop after leaving the department store, and discovered a large stack of prints similar to those at the exhibition. Some were reproductions of the same works. He has been able to identify them as examples from several series by Hokusai and Hiroshige.

"In recent weeks the prints have become the window into Japan's cultural past that I had been seeking," Jezierski said. "As I have examined them, the prints seem to me to be much like the nineteenth-century photographs that I have used so successfully in my investigation of American culture.

"The prints have begun to perform three functions for me. First, they are strikingly beautiful in their simplicity, which helps to create a sense of photographic 'reality' that makes them compelling. Also, seeing first-hand the clear relationship between Ukiyoe painters like Hokusai and Hiroshige and the French and American Impressionists has helped me to appreciate the linkages between East and West that had not been so obvious earlier.

"Finally, and perhaps most important to the historian, is the fact that the prints were created for the common people and often treat that audience as their subject. The prints provide considerable data about the material culture and customs of Japan's ordinary people rarely found in the books, paintings, and photographs that took the warrior and aristocratic classes as their subject matter."

Jezierski also has used another Japanese art form to increase his understanding of Japanese culture. He enrolled in a calligraphy class at Shikoku Women's University, where he teaches American history and English as an exchange professor. Since December he has been practicing calligraphy with other sophomore students once a week. Recently his work, titled "Billows," was entered in the S.W.U. Calligraphy Club's 13th Out-Campus Exhibition at the Prefectural Cultural Center in Tokushima City.

His work, one of more than 150 on display, has attracted considerable attention. Professor Sokaku Tanaka, Jezierski's instructor, has characterized his work as "harmonious, elegant and free writing. He has perfectly mastered the spirit of calligraphy."

Jezierski is fascinated by the beauty of calligraphy and feels his understanding of Japanese culture has been deepened through his study of it. He expects to introduce the art form to SVSC students when he returns to Saginaw in mid-May.

He also has initiated discussion about the possibility of an exchange of photography exhibitions -- collections from Saginaw's Goodridge Studio and Japan's Tatsuki Studio -- and he is working on an exchange between elementary schools in Saginaw and Tokushima. "There is gigantic potential here for the program as a whole, and we want to see it develop," he stated.

STUDENT AWARDED FREE PRESS HONOR

Carol Humbyrd is a senior accounting major, but also has outstanding English skills. She was awarded first prize in the **Detroit Free Press** Short Story Contest last December for her piece, "Sans Mistletoe." The story details the relationship between a brother and sister who only cease their fighting in the presence of mistletoe. Carol is an accounting and algebra tutor for academic support services.

LIBRARY CONSULTANT TO VISIT

In preparation for increasing the library's holdings over the next three years, the college has employed consultant Jeffrey L. Gardner. He will be visiting the campus March 15-17 to assist in reviewing and evaluating the current collection. Gardner is also scheduled to meet with library staff, faculty and administrators. For more information and Gardner's meeting schedule, call Dorothy Horwath, interim library director at ext. 4236.

NEW AWARD RECOGNIZES SCHOLARS

A new scholarship for returning "no need" students will be available for the 1984-85 school year. The SVSC Recognition Award will be granted to full-time students who have established an outstanding academic record at the college. The scholarship will provide \$400 for tuition and fees per academic year, with \$200 awarded per semester. It is automatically renewable for students who maintain a 3.40 GPA or better. April 15 is the application deadline for the scholarship. For applications and full criteria, contact the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid at ext. 4103.

FIVE ELECTED TO ALUMNI BOARD

The SVSC Alumni Association recently elected five nominees to three-year terms on the association's board of directors. Timothy Lipan of Muskegon and Roger Lonsway of Saginaw were reelected. Janet Botz of Midland, Pamela Hensley of Bay City and Donald Seidel of Saginaw were also selected from a field of 10 candidates. The Alumni Board has 15 members and there are over 5,200 SVSC graduates. Lipan currently serves as association president. The group promotes close ties with the college, sponsors social functions, and publishes the alumni newsletter.

BRIEFLY SPEAKING - EVENTS & INFORMATION

--The Ablers are sponsoring a handicapper **"Awareness Week"** today through Thursday. A lecture on pre-menstrual syndrome will be held today at 2:00 p.m. in lower Doan. A carnival will be held on Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in Doan Center. Dr. Harriet Tillock, associate professor of sociology, will discuss "Interacting with a Handicapper" on Thursday at 10:00 a.m. in lower Doan. A lecture at 11:00 a.m. on "Sexual Violence Toward Persons with a Handicap" will cap the week's activities. For details, call Ted Nitz at ext. 4273.

--Three stand up comedians will entertain and dare members of their audience to keep a straight face when the **"Make Me Laugh"** show travels to SVSC on Wednesday, March 14. The program begins at 8:00 p.m. in lower Doan Center, and features a challenge to the audience -- not to laugh. Three contestants will be selected and individually subjected to three minutes of "comic abuse" while trying to maintain their composure. In addition to the laugh challenge, each comic will give a 20 minute monologue. Admission is free. For more information, call MaryAnne Lustgraaf ext. 4260.

--The **Industrial Relations Research Association** will host their monthly dinner meeting on Thursday, March 15, at 6:00 p.m. in lower Doan. An arbitrator from Washington, D.C. will discuss legal aspects of the quality of work life. For more information, call Dr. Mitchell at ext. 4064.

--A senior research and development chemist will speak on Friday, March 16, at 1:00 p.m. in 224 Pioneer Hall. Dr. Richard Parker of the B. F. Goodrich Company will discuss **"Chlorinated Poly (Vinyl Chloride)."** He will explain the thermal properties of these polymers, their use in industrial and domestic water supply systems, and other uses under study. Parker's seminar is part of a national program of visits between industrial researchers and college classes. The college community is welcome. For details, call Dr. Plaush at ext. 4361.

--The Valley Film Society will screen **"The Beggar's Opera"** on Friday, March 16, at 7:45 p.m. in Wickes lecture hall. This 1953 political satire stars Sir Laurence Olivier. Admission is by pro-rated membership, available at the door. For more information, call Dr. Barker at ext. 4303.

--The Michigan Community Blood Center and the American Red Cross will sponsor a **blood drive** on Tuesday, March 20, and Wednesday, March 21, in the Wickes Hall concourse. Blood can be donated from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, and 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday. Call Gloria Hansen of health services at ext. 4272 for more information.

--The **Saginaw Valley Entrepreneurs Club** will host a dinner speaker on Wednesday, March 21, at 6:00 p.m. in lower Doan. Matt Hennessee, Saginaw assistant city manager, will discuss cooperation between city governments and business. Cost of the dinner is \$9, and reservations must be made by March 19 and can be placed by contacting the BIDI office at ext. 4048.

ACROSS CAMPUS

--Dr. William Gourd, associate professor of communication and theatre, and students from his "Language, Thought and Behavior" class recently hosted two Central Michigan University teachers. Dr. Janet Yerby, associate professor in the department of speech, communication and dramatic arts, and David Schneider, graduate student and teaching assistant, met with Gourd's class for a career-oriented discussion of graduate education in communication.

--Dr. Janet Rubin, associate professor of communication and theatre, recently conducted a "Creative Drama With the Basal Reader" workshop at the Saginaw Intermediate School Instructor's Professional Development Day. Teachers from Midland, Saginaw, St. Charles and Standish attended the program.

--Matthew Zivich, associate professor of art, will have a painting in the "Images of Michigan's Heritage" exhibition at the Michigan Historical Museum in Lansing. Zivich's "Stadium," a diamond-shaped acrylic painting, was one of 72 selected for the exhibit, which will feature the work of 42 artists. Over 190 entries were submitted by 88 artists who are current or former state residents. The show will run from May 5 to September 11.

PERSONNEL

The Personnel Office is sponsoring a sexual harassment seminar for faculty and administrative/professional employees on Friday, March 23. There will be two sessions in

lower Doan; 10:00 to 11:30 a.m., and 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. Pat Curran of the Michigan Department of Labor will conduct the program, and the personnel office encourages participation.

ASSISTANT/ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF PSYCHOLOGY. Full-time, permanent (replacement). Salary negotiable. For details, call the personnel office at ext. 4112.

HIGH FIVE

The Lady Cardinals breezed through the NAIA District 23 and Tri-District 15 **basketball** competitions, raising their record to 29-0. SVSC won the District tourney by defeating Northwood Institute and Spring Arbor. The team beat Findlay College 96-50 last week to win the Tri-District title. SVSC advances to the nationals in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, where they square off against Biola University of California in first-round competition on March 14.

A persistent Aquinas College team put an end to district title hopes for the men's **basketball** team during spring break. Aquinas overcame a 14-point deficit to beat the Cards 76-67 in the first round of district play, held at SVSC.

Members of the men's **indoor track team** turned in four record times at the Last Chance Invitational in Tennessee on March 3. The distance medley relay team set a new mark at 9:42.2, while mile relay members turned in a 3:13.68 clocking. Individual records were set by Charles White in the 600-yard event and Ken Plude in the 880.

SVSC EVENTWATCH

Mar. 13 ... "Wheelchairs in Heaven"
Mar. 14 ... PMS Lecture
Mar. 14 ... Awareness Week Carnival
Mar. 14 ... Comedy Show
Mar. 15 ... Sexual Violence Lecture
Mar. 15 ... Interacting with Handicappers
Mar. 15 ... IRRA Dinner and Meeting
Mar. 16 ... Chemistry Seminar
Mar. 16 ... VFS: "Beggar's Opera"
Mar. 17 ... Foreign Lang. Poetry Contest
Mar. 20-21... Blood Drive

See monthly calendar or call Information Services for times and details.

BOARD REPORT



A Report of the
Saginaw Valley State College
Board of Control

At its regular meeting March 5 the SVSC Board of Control approved new room and board rates for the upcoming academic year. Beginning September 1, dormitory students will pay approximately three percent more than current rates for food and lodging. Under the new schedule, students electing 21 meals per week will pay \$2,426 plus a \$4 Resident Hall Association fee. Those selecting the 15 meals per week plan will pay a total of \$2,348 with the RHA fee. These charges compare to 1983-84 figures of \$2,360 and \$2,280. Extra charge for single room accommodations will be \$330 per year.

According to Vice President for Administration and Business Affairs Jerry A. Woodcock, the new rates are lower than those presently charged by several of the 12 public colleges in Michigan with dormitory facilities. "When other schools have adjusted their rates, we expect to be seventh or eighth least expensive for housing costs," he said.

Other action items included approval of the SVSC Faculty Association proposal to establish an endowed scholarship program for SVSC students, and appointment of Board chairman John W. Kendall to replace Dr. G. James Williams as Group 1 director on the SVSC Foundation. Approval of the Faculty Association Endowed Scholarship Program is contingent upon the signing of a memorandum of understanding between the SVSC Faculty Association and the College administration.

The Board also--

--heard winter enrollment reports showing a 5.6 percent increase in student numbers and a 4.4 percent rise in credit hours over winter semester 1983. There are 4,279 students enrolled in 40,513 credit hours this winter semester, with the greatest percentage increase coming in off-campus courses. A five year summary showed the increase to be the largest since 1981, when enrollment climbed by ten percent.

--viewed a presentation by Director of Institutional Research Ann K. Dickey summarizing the Engineering Needs Survey. The study showed more than 500 tri-county workers definitely interested in pursuing engineering studies. By comparing this interest level with enrollments generated by a somewhat smaller population interested in engineering technology, forecasts were made for enrollments in the new degree programs in electrical and mechanical engineering. Based on survey results, many classes will be offered in the evening to accommodate employed students. Copies of the report are available through Dr. Dickey's office.

--heard President Jack M. Ryder's comments on the Governor's formula linking tuition levels to state appropriations for SVSC. (See related article on page 1.)

--Learned that two SVSC professors and two SVSC students will be receiving awards at the Michigan Association of Governing Boards convocation in April. Named to receive the honor are Dr. Terry Ishihara, professor of mechanical engineering; Dr. Thomas Renna, professor of history; Karen Foulds, junior majoring in bio-chemistry; and Brian Latoski, senior with triple majors in data processing, Spanish, and computer math.

--heard reports by Sally Decker, instructor of nursing, on Honors Convocation plans; and by Dr. George Eastland, professor of chemistry, on the status of the work by the Mission and Purposes Committee. The fourth annual Honors Convocation is scheduled for Thursday, April 19, at 1:30 p.m. in the SVSC theatre and will feature an address by 1983 Distinguished Alumni Award winner Dennis Hensley. The event honors scholastic accomplishment by SVSC students.

In preparation for the 1985-86 visit by the North Central accreditation team, the Mission and Purposes Committee has been

charged with responsibility for reviewing the college mission statement and recommending possible revisions. Eastland has invited input by the campus community, and has asked that interested personnel respond to a series of questions designed to determine the appropriateness of the current statement, adopted in 1979, to guide the College in upcoming years.

The meeting adjourned to executive session to meet with College counsel.

SPEAKING UP FOR EDUCATION

She says she doesn't find much time for golf and bridge these days, and a quick review of Joyce Woods' schedule verifies her statement. One of two newly appointed members of the SVSC Board of Control, Mrs. Woods could be described as a one-person educational institution.

In addition to her board duties at SVSC, Mrs. Woods is president of the Saginaw Education Association (SEA), is an active member of the National Coalition of Urban Education, sits on the Michigan Education Association (MEA) public affairs committee, and is active in Region 11 division of MEA. She also serves on the board of directors for Saginaw County United Way, is a board member for Greater Saginaw Chamber of Commerce, and is a member of the State Central Committee of Michigan's Democratic party.

Like many educators, Joyce Woods began her career in the classroom. She is certified in elementary education, and for many years taught full or part time. Mrs. Woods came to Saginaw in 1953, and recalls that her first teaching contract paid a \$3,000 annual salary. She credits MEA with being a primary force for bringing about many of the changes she's observed in teaching conditions, but has noted vast changes in the organization itself.

"At one time MEA was primarily a group that provided some access to information in a social setting. Its role now is one of advocacy for teachers. The political awareness that it generates often results in actions that are very valuable and beneficial." A member of the executive board of SEA since 1973, Mrs. Woods was elected president of the local organization in 1978.

She has a quick response for those who inquire whether her position as part of the bargaining team for Saginaw K-12 teachers would be in conflict with her role as part of the administrative structure of Saginaw Valley State College during contract negotiations with the SVSC Faculty Association. "Fairness and equity are what need to be viewed regardless of what side of the table you represent."

Mrs. Woods also has definite opinions about educational standards. "All students should be able to read when they graduate from high school. Colleges should not be admitting students who cannot read. There may be a need for remedial work in basic skills, but it should not be the job of the colleges. Our K-12 system has responsibility for properly preparing students."

The national attention currently focused on education can be very beneficial, according to Mrs. Woods. "This attention is helpful if we are to get the kind of support and funding needed for education. Most of the things that have been said by the various reports have identified what appear to be needs. If we do not capitalize on this work and focus on this opportunity to do some of the very productive things that can be done, we will miss an excellent opportunity."

Mrs. Woods believes strongly in the value of education. "There isn't anything else that we can do for our young people that is as meaningful. It is the one thing that we can give to our youth that will be a lifetime gift, and it permits them to give back to society for the general welfare."

She is particularly pleased by the rapid development of SVSC, and feels the school has made enormous strides in 'just 20 years.' "I am fully committed to the benefits to the community of having a college here."

Mrs. Woods grew up on a ranch in Colorado, and still has relatives, including two of her four sons, living in that area. She earned a bachelor of arts in elementary education from Colorado State College of Education, and holds a master of arts degree in elementary education from the University of Michigan.