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SCHOOL OF NURSING RECEIVES HEALTH DEPARTMENT GRANT

For SVSC, special significance was added to 1986 National Nurses' Week, May 4-10.

The School of Nursing has received a 3-year grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

The federally funded award will provide a total of $402,515 for a special project titled "Continuing Education for Registered Nurses."

According to Dr. Crystal M. Lange, dean of the school of nursing and allied health sciences, the project will begin July 1, 1986.

"The purpose of this project is to provide continuing education to practicing registered nurses in rural north and eastern Michigan," Lange said.

In addition, nurses in Health Service Agency-Area VI (HSA VI) will be serviced by the project. HSA VI is a designated region in the state of Michigan.

The program is designed and will be implemented to provide education opportunities that are responsive to a specified need, Lange said.

Health care institutions and individual registered nurses (R.N.'s) participating in the program will identify learning objectives as well as strategies for accomplishing these objectives. Examples of possible learning formats include conferences, workshops and individual learning contracts.

Included in the project are specialized sessions designed to assist nurse educators in the teaching of the continuing education offerings, Lange added.

One other dimension of the project is to encourage and assist R.N.'s in the study or research of nursing and health care issues, and then to apply research findings in clinical practice.

"This access to and participation in continuing education will enhance the profession of nursing and the quality of health care," Lange said.

More information on the continuing education project will be distributed in the near future to area health care organizations and institutions.

Etceteras...

... "The United States' security and financial well-being are partially dependent upon Americans having a knowledge of world affairs, but according to education expert Allan Ostar, international education is largely ignored in American universities. ... Ostar, president of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities, said universities need to take the initiative to enhance the international flavor of their campuses, stressing an international view for all students in all subjects. He said much can be done without increasing costs."

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... SVSC has 24 foreign-born faculty from 13 countries.

... Two SVSC administrators and two secretaries are foreign-born.

... There were 27 international students from 16 countries enrolled in SVSC classes this year.

... There is fluency in at least 15 languages across the SVSC community.

Source: the International Experience/Foreign Language survey, 1985-86.
ACADEMIC TRAVEL GRANT AWARDED TO EDUCATION PROFESSOR

Dr. Ervin F. Sparapani, assistant professor of education and director of student teaching and certification, has been awarded a grant from the British Council.

Valued at $700.30 U.S., the grant will be used to fund travel to Great Britain to visit the West Midlands College of Higher Education. SVSC currently has an informal exchange program with West Midlands, and Sparapani will meet with officials there to develop policies, procedures and financial arrangements surrounding the academic experiences of students participating in the program.

The discussions will lead to a formal relationship between the two institutions. This framework is necessary, according to Sparapani, so students will have "the most productive experiences possible. It also will help establish a strong cultural bridge between our two countries."

He will meet with Richard Pomeroy, head of professional studies and overseas coordinator for West Midlands, from June 1 through June 4. Sparapani expects to learn about the kinds of programs West Midlands has for student teachers so SVSC students can be better prepared for a student teaching experience there. "They need to know both about cultural differences and about differences in U.S. and British educational systems," he said.

Students interested in participating in the student teaching exchange program with West Midlands should contact Sparapani at ext. 4057.

SVSC FACULTY ASSOCIATION ELECTS OFFICERS

The Saginaw Valley State College Faculty Association (SVSCFA) recently elected officers to serve one-year terms that begin concurrently with fall semester classes in September, 1986.

Dr. John R. Willertz, professor of history, was chosen as president. Dr. Donald J. Bachand, associate professor of criminal justice, was named vice president. Dr. Diane Sautter, assistant professor of English, will serve as secretary, while Dr. Louis Jacoby, assistant professor of accounting, will assume the responsibilities of treasurer for the organization.

Serving as SVSCFA executive board members will be Dr. V. Emilio Castaneda, associate professor of Spanish; Dr. David S. Dalgarn, associate professor of biology; Dr. Rosalie Riegle Troester, assistant professor of English; and Dr. Donald Wiseman, professor of accounting. Also on the board will be Dr. Walter Rathkamp, professor of biology, immediate past president of the Association.

The SVSCFA includes more than 120 members of SVSC's full-time teaching staff. It seeks to promote and secure the quality of teaching and research at SVSC, and to secure and maintain salaries and working conditions for teaching and research. Other goals of the organization are to assist the College in making such decisions as curriculum content and standards for promotion, and to represent faculty concerns at SVSC Board of Control meetings.

"As newly elected president, I am proud to represent the faculty at SVSC, and I look forward to working together with the administration and students," Dr. Willertz said. The election of officers was conducted April 18.

SVSC ANNOUNCES RECIPIENTS OF PRESIDENTIAL/EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIPS

Five area high school seniors have been named Presidential Scholarship Award recipients: Daniel Thomas Griffin, Clifford; Shannan M. Kleba, Harbor Beach; David E. Milka, Bay City; Margaret A. Munger, Lewiston; and Diane Noble, Wolverine.

The Presidential Scholarship, SVSC's most prestigious award, is granted on a no-need basis to as many as five new students per year (20 total) who have been selected as Valedictorian or Salutatorian, or who ranked first or second in their class. The application deadline for the 1987-88 awards is February 15, 1987.

Twelve students were named recipients of the Award for Excellence Scholarship. The award is given to students who have demonstrated excellence in academic pursuit and talent in areas such as journalism, music, art, student government or other extra-curricular activities.

Recipients include: Richard Hayward, Charlotte; Judy Horney, Chesaning; Gina George, Fairview; Julie Reed, Marlette; Thomas Nellenbach, North Branch; Debbie Darling, Owosso; Jonelle Decator, Rhodes; Ronald Kaufmann, Amy Smith and Shaundrea Willet, Saginaw; Shelly Anderson, Spruce; and Stephanie McGlothlen, St. Johns.
May 6, 1986

SVSC Board of Control members faced a lengthy agenda when they met Friday, May 2, with many items kindling extensive discussion.

Topping the list of actions was approval of a tuition and fee schedule for the 1986-87 academic year. The new rates recommended by College administrators and approved by the Board call for a 4.3% increase for Michigan undergraduate students. They will pay $51.75 per credit hour next year, compared to $49.50 per credit hour, a rate that has been in effect since 1983. A $3 per credit hour general service fee paid by all students remains unchanged.

Tuition for Michigan residents taking graduate courses at SVSC was set at $74 per credit hour, a 1.3% increase over the 1985-86 rate of $72.50. Costs for out-of-state students will remain the same as last year, $104 per credit hour for undergraduates and $145 for each credit hour at the graduate level.

In recommending the new rates, President Jack M. Ryder explained that, although the Senate has recommended an 18% increase in SVSC's appropriations (to $12.2 million) for 1986-87, most of the increase was specifically for opening of new buildings. Some $1.14 million, or 11% increase over last year's base, is for that purpose. Only 7% would remain as an increase in general operating funds. "Since State support represents only 63% of our revenues, that level of increase will not be sufficient to meet contractual obligations and other increased costs." He pointed out that the recommended rate was within the Governor's guideline of keeping tuition increases at or below the increase in the Consumer Price Index. College and university presidents had recently received a letter from the Department of Management and Budget stating that 4.3% would be used as the relevant CPI increase for the purpose of calculating tuition increases.

Dr. Ryder added he was appreciative that the Governor "recognized our request for funds for building openings, and for Senate reaffirmation of that request."

Speaking in favor of the motion, Board member Hugo Braun, Jr. noted, "Everyone at this table has reluctance (to take this action) because of the burden it places on students." He pointed out, however, that "SVSC has quality instruction, quality programs and quality faculty. We need to be able to retain those." He warned that "we must not sacrifice quality for accessibility, but should try to keep increases at the lowest possible level."

A later agenda item proved much more pleasant for Board members. They approved a resolution to award the contract for construction of the new Fine Arts Center and Marshall Fredericks Sculpture Gallery to Gregory Construction Company of Bay City. Bids received from seven firms ranged from the low bid by Gregory at $4,879,000 to a high of $5,569,000. Other costs associated with the building include site and supervision, architect's fees, equipment and fixtures, raising the total cost for the facility to $7 million.

Prior to the Board meeting, Gregory Construction had received a letter of intent from Ralph Calder and Associates (project architect) notifying them that they appeared to have the successful bid for the project. On that basis, and at their own risk, Gregory moved equipment on campus and began preliminary construction activities last week. An official groundbreaking ceremony will be held June 8.

President Ryder informed Board members that efforts to raise private funds for the center had been successful. "We have $6,350,000 of commitments in hand now, and there are requests out that should result in meeting our campaign goal." Board member Braun said approving the contract resolution was "an exciting action; the culmination of an outstanding fund raising effort." He complimented fellow Board member Charles Curtiss, who chaired the community committee that conducted the campaign.
President Ryder noted that the project had State approval, and the State had committed to operation of the facility.

As he had indicated he would do, President Ryder responded to evaluations of the Board of Control and the President that had been presented at the April meeting. His comments began with an expression of appreciation to the Board for "spending the time and effort necessary in conducting a thorough evaluation of the functioning of both the Board of Control and the President." He also complimented the Board and other College constituencies for their role in the institution's progress since the first evaluation by Dr. Barry Munitz in 1978.

He went on to say, "The notable exceptions to progress in rectifying perceived weaknesses of the past evaluations has been in the area of relations between the President and many of the faculty, in delegation of authority and in the perception of involvement in priority setting by campus constituencies." He then listed several actions he proposes to initiate in an effort to address these problems. They include:

--a planning retreat involving members of the Board of Control, administration, faculty, staff, students and Board of Fellows.

--establishment of several task forces to pursue critical concerns arising from the retreat.

--a number of joint meetings of the Administrative Council and the Faculty Association Board.

--continuation of the process of decentralization of decision making, accompanied by more extensive orientation and training of decision makers. (This process will be reported more fully at the August Board meeting.)

--regular meetings with the Board of Fellows academic committee.

--rearranging the presidential schedule to allow more time for communicating with faculty.

--continuation of the review of Board of Control operating policies, and a more extensive orientation process for Board members.

--arranging a joint meeting of officers of the Board of Control and Board of Fellows to reassess the role of the Board of Fellows "so that both bodies can become more effective."

Board members acted to approve promotions for eleven faculty members. They are (with new rank listed):

Assistant Professor
Mr. Robert Thaler, sociology

Associate Professor
Dr. Enayat Mahajerin, mechanical engineering
Dr. Morteza Marzjarani, mathematics
Dr. Christos Nikolopoulos, mathematics

Professor
Mr. Jon Cisky, criminal justice
Dr. David Dalgarn, biology
Dr. Susie Emond, education
Dr. Drew Hinderer, philosophy/English
Dr. Gerald Peterson, psychology
Dr. Alex Ross, sociology
Dr. Richard Trdan, biology

Eight faculty members were granted tenure. They are:

Mrs. Sachiko Claus, nursing
Dr. Phyllis Hastings, English
Dr. Albert Menard, physics
Dr. Christos Nikolopoulos, mathematics
Dr. Gerald Peterson, psychology
Dr. Rosalie Troester, English
Ms. Jill Wetester, management/marketing
Dr. Donald Wiseman, accounting

Also approved were recommendations for funding of faculty research and professional growth proposals by the SVSC Foundation. Ten research proposals were recommended for funding totaling $10,657.94. Individual grants range from $274 to $2,182. Eight professional growth grant proposals were approved, with requests totaling $7,429.35. Grants ranged from $272.50 to $1,121.

In other action, the Board:

--approved a leave of absence without pay for 1986-87 for Mrs. Mary Graiver, assistant professor of nursing.

--approved resolutions commending Mrs. Dorothy D. Arbury and Mr. John W. Kendall.

--authorized the vice president for administration and business affairs to enter into agreements for participation in the Common Fund for Short Term Investments.

--approved revisions to the SVSC Judicial Code.

--heard a preliminary report on summer registration showing credit hours ahead of summer 1985 totals at a comparable time.

--received a personnel report listing eight recent hires.
BUILDING UPDATE

Item - I.F. 2 Completion Date: State officials met with building contractors to discuss project completion dates. "Based upon current information that we received following these meetings, we expect it will be August 1 before any of the buildings will be turned over to us," reported Jerry A. Woodcock, vice president for administration and business affairs.

Item - Fine Arts Center: As indicated in the "Board Report," the contract for this project was awarded to Gregory Construction Company of Bay City. Construction activities have begun at the site, and a groundbreaking ceremony will be held June 8. The Center is scheduled for completion in September 1987.

MEMORIAL HOLIDAY SET

College offices will be closed for Memorial Day on Monday, May 26. Time cards for hourly employees should be submitted by 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 22, with hours estimated for May 22 and 23. Full operations will resume Tuesday, May 27.

BRIEFLY SPEAKING

--According to Dr. Phyllis Hastings, faculty advisor for the SVSC Honor Society, application now is being made for affiliation with Alpha Chi, a national honorary. SVSC inducted 79 students into its Honor Society at an April 13 ceremony.

--The Valley Film Society will present "The Damned" on Friday, May 16 at 7:45 p.m. in Wickes Lecture Hall. Admission is by membership. Call ext. 4154 for details.

Ms. Sue McCaffrey [standing right], shop chairman of the Triskelions, presents a $14,000 check to President Ryder at a luncheon honoring the Triskelions on May 8. The group, which includes members from Bay City, Midland and Saginaw, raises scholarship funds for SVSC students. The 1986 check brings their total contributions to the College to over $275,000 since the project was started. Mrs. Lila Ryder [sitting in foreground] and members of the Triskelions look on.
PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

--Ms. Ann Rae, associate professor of social work, and Ms. Gayle Leece, publications designer, conducted workshops for the Michigan Association of Volunteer Administrators at Bay Valley Inn, May 1 and 2. Rae presented "Negotiating Decisions," while Leece's presentation was titled "Hands On Graphics." Some 200 volunteer administrators representing public service organizations throughout the state attended the program.

PERSONNEL

PROJECT ENGINEER, Engineering Services - Full time, temporary one-year position. Supervise construction of Fine Arts facility; provide technical support to director of engineering services. B.S. in engineering required; State of Michigan registration preferred. Salary negotiable.

SENIOR SECRETARY, SVSC Foundation - Permanent (replacement); full time, with variable hours in May, June, and July. Minimum of $5.60 per hour, available immediately.

All internal applications must be received by the Personnel Office no later than Wednesday, May 14.

HIGH FIVE

--The SVSC golf team held on to win the GLIAC Tournament by three strokes over host Ferris State College, Saturday. The Cardinals had a five-stroke lead after 36 holes, but the Bulldogs shot a final round 311 to the Card's 313 to trim off two strokes. The GLIAC title is the second in the last three years for Saginaw Valley. Sophomore Vic Morgan led the Cards Saturday with a 76 round, followed by senior Kendall Kinsey with 78, senior Tom Ham with 79, junior Joe Sabatino with 80, and sophomore Andy Bethune with 81. "Now we're ready for the nationals," said Coach Bob Becker. The team will leave for NAIA National Tournament in Montgomery, Alabama, on May 31.

--SVSC claimed its first-ever baseball title with a 14-6 win over host Spring Arbor College in the NAIA District 23 Tournament on Saturday. The Cardinals broke open the game with 16 hits, including a fourth inning grand slam by senior Doug Schubert. The blow put the Cards ahead 4-1, and a solo home run along with a two-run triple helped SVSC build up a 14-1 lead through seven innings. Freshman pitcher Mike Hill allowed just one hit through three innings, followed by Jeff Shemberg with four innings of relief. Shemberg struck out seven batters, including five in a row. The Cards will take their 36-16-1 record to Illinois this week for another four-team double elimination tournament that gets under way Thursday. Defending champs Anderson College of Indiana and Ohio Dominican also will compete.

--SVSC men's and women's track teams competed in the NAIA District 23 outdoor meet, held at Morley Field on Friday. Hillsdale College won both the men's and women's titles. The competition in the men's events was close up to the very end, as Hillsdale pulled out the victory by placing second in the discuss toss while SVSC finished fifth. In women's events, SVSC had five first places on their way to finishing third overall.

EVENTWATCH

May 14: Entrepreneur-of-the-Year Awards Meeting
May 16: GLIAC Track Meet
May 15-17: NAIA Baseball Area VI Regional Tourney

For details see monthly calendar or call Information Services

Ms. Faith Edwards [left] and Sally Decker [right] do the honors of awarding pins to winter 1986 semester graduates of the school of nursing. The pinning ceremony is held annually in the theatre after commencement exercises.