

**Modesto Junior College**  
**Facilities Council Meeting**  
 Meeting Summary  
**October 16, 2017**  
**2:00pm-4:00pm**  
**Library Basement, Room 55**

<b>Committee Member</b>	<b>Representing</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Al Alt	Chair, Vice President of College & Administrative Services	✓	
John Zamora	Academic Senate Faculty Co-Chair	✓	
Yolanda Avila	Assistant Director, Facilities Planning & Operations		✓
Don Borges	Dean Rep	✓	
Lilibeth Bravo	ASMJC Rep	✓	
Lonita Cordova	ADA Coordinator	✓	
Jim Howen	Academic Senate Faculty Rep	✓	
Michael Howen	CSEA Rep		✓
Lisa Husman	Recorder	✓	
Judy Lanchester	Director, Facilities Planning & Operations	✓	
Dorothy Pimentel	Risk Management Specialist	✓	
Mary Ann Rogers	CSEA Rep		✓
Alejandro Sabre	Academic Senate Faculty Rep		✓
Glen Stovall	CSAC Rep	✓	
Sherri Suarez	Events/Facilities Coordinator & CSEA Rep	✓	
Jeff Swank	Director of Media Services	✓	
Peter Vang	ASMJC Rep		✓
Bill Watts	Campus Safety Operations Supervisor	✓	

**Guests**

<b>Name</b>
Deborah Barr, Professor of Art
Trevor Carter, Campus Facilities Manager
Teri Curtis, Professor of Biology
Eric Cotton, Student
Maria Fregoso, Student
Yadira Tovar, Student

**Vacancies**

YFA Representative
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**1. Welcome/Introductions/Call to Order**

Al Alt called the meeting to order at 2:05pm. Introductions were made for new members.

**2. Approval of Facilities Council Minutes 04/17/17 and 09/18/17**

**Action Item:**

**Motion:** Don Borges made a motion to approve the minutes from 04/17/17 and 09/18/17.

**Seconded by:** Bill Watts

**Abstained:** Jim Howen

**Result:** Motion passed.

### 3. Naming of “Outdoor Education Center” first read – Teri Curtis

Teri Curtis presented information regarding the campus facilities project request for naming the Outdoor Education Area.

The following is a synopsis of the presentation:

*After careful consideration of several potential names, the Outdoor Education Area SME/GVM Committee including all disciplines in Science, Math & Engineering are proposing “Great Valley Nature Lab” as the official name of this new MJC facility. The committee believes that the name reflects the facility’s mission to provide unique outdoor experiences for MJC students, local K-12 students, as well as community members for learning about the natural habitats of the Central Valley. The names Central Valley and the Great Valley of California are used synonymously. The committee has chosen “Great Valley” as part of the name because this outdoor area will represent a slice of the habitats across this valley. The committee prefers the sound of Great Valley, which is consistent with the name of the Great Valley Museum and also housed under the Science Community Center. The committee has chosen the “Nature Lab” portion of the name because it directly reflects the facility’s function as an outdoor laboratory for MJC students enrolled in natural science courses. The committee believes that “Nature Lab” sets an inviting tone to disciplines across the campus, including the literary arts, fine arts and anthropology, for using this new facility.*

Judy Lanchester will have a “mock-up” bench created by the architects which will showcase the new name for the Outdoor Education Area. This will be viewed in a future Facilities Council.

The Facilities Council agreed to collect feedback from their constituents and bring forward any questions within two weeks.

#### **Action Item:**

**Motion:** John Zamora motioned to pass the first read of the project.

**Seconded by:** Lonita Cordova

**Result:** Motion passed.

### 4. Fall 2017 Mural Proposal first read – Jillian Daly or Deborah Barr & Students

Deborah Barr and 3 art students, Eric Cotton, Maria Fregoso and Yadira Tovar, presented information regarding the campus facilities project request for a mural to be painted in the stairwell of Founders Hall.

The following is a synopsis of their presentation:

*Each semester students’ sign up for the mural painting class in hopes to bring life and color to the walls of the campus through art. Our goal as a group is to create an inspirational, vibrant, 8’ by 8’ mural that will hang on the wall of the first stair case in Founders Hall. We would like to incorporate the subjects that are taught within that building like creative writing, literature, and English among other subjects. We are geared towards a surrealist image that incorporates various elements and styles reflecting the world that literature can create. We plan to paint a tree as the focal point, but it will turn into a rendering of the stair case, matching the ones in the hallway, in hopes that an optical illusion will present the idea that*

*the stair case continues wrapping around the tree in a fantasy like manner. We want to make it look like the walls are cracked exposing different settings and time periods, perhaps honoring some famous authors and speakers. We plan to use the middle ground, foreground, and background to create the appearance of layers, peeling back, or flying away showing that there are endless possibilities of worlds and knowledge to be discovered. Books are the basis of our education as college students; they are the college experience, from buying to reading them. So incorporating books stacked on top of each other in a bookcase, some with roots coming out of them growing in and from the earth, the importance of books as a tool for growth and expansion is made clear. We want to emphasize the idea that books can open doors to new worlds, whether they are used for enjoyment or education. We could not help but notice all the traffic in this area of Founders hall. The building itself is lacking energy and decoration, yet is one of the most heavily used. With this mural we will deliver meaningful art, but also something that can remind students that choosing to attend college is like planting a seed that can flourish and create a beautiful work through learning and growing. Upon approval we will develop a Marquette and a formal proposal laying out our exact plan for the piece.*

There was extensive discussion regarding the mural. Some of the concerns brought forward by Jim Howen were:

- The longevity of the materials being used
- Safety measures – having to use a ladder on a stairwell
- Where exactly is the proposed mural going, a plot plan?
- Was permission granted from the 4 divisions in the building?
- Ask the divisions that live in the building what they'd like to see on the wall
- Find a way to keep the mural from being added to (graffiti)
- Consider a replaceable/removable mural that can be changed out yearly

Deborah Barr and the students were able to address some of the concerns regarding longevity, materials and what they've done to obtain approval from the divisions within the building. Deborah did convey to the Council that this is a current semester project and the students would need to get started as soon as possible or at least start the mural on a board and have to end up hanging it in Founders Hall or elsewhere.

Judy, Trevor and Dorothy were able to address other issues regarding safety, etc.

#### **Action Item:**

**Motion:** Jim Howen made a motion to postpone the project definite until next meeting.

**Seconded by:** John Zamora

**Abstained:** Trevor Carter

**Opposed:** Lilibeth Bravo, Glen Stovall, Lonita Cordova, Albert Alt, Sherri Suarez, Judy Lanchester

**Result:** Motion did not pass.

**Action Item:**

**Motion:** Lonita Cordova made a motion to pass the project on a first read and come back to Facilities Council with more details for a second read.

**Seconded by:** Sherri Suarez

**Abstained:** John Zamora and Don Borges

**Opposed:** Jim Howen

**Result:** Motion passed.

**5. Goals**

- **Accreditation**
- **Engaging Constituents**
- **Improving Communication**
- **Education Master Plan**

The listed goals that were developed at our last meeting were reviewed. Due to lack of attendance at our last meeting, the Council recommended that we bring the goals back to today's meeting to be adopted.

**Action Item:**

**Motion:** Don Borges made a motion to adopt the above listed goals.

**Seconded by:** Lonita Cordova

**Result:** Motion passed.

**6. Education Master Plan Presentation – John Zamora**

Copies of the Education Master Plan were distributed to the Council. John spoke about the training of various work groups and the timelines. He discussed the work plan and encouraged anyone that is interested to participate in a work group.

**7. Homeless Population**

Don Borges spoke of the noticeable increase in the homeless population that is circulating the campuses. He stated they've called security on occasion regarding a homeless person taking the recyclables belonging to an Agriculture Club.

There was discussion regarding the increase of trash on campus possibly due to the homeless, homeless sleeping on picnic tables and other events that have been noticed.

Al communicated that there is a state required policy that a community college allow homeless students to be able to shower at our facilities and he shared there is a fine line between knowing if the homeless population are students or not.

There was discussion that we need to take a holistic approach to this challenge taking into consideration peoples socio-economic status and who's being allowed on campus and who is not. This is an issue we will have to triage with city efforts along with county services.

Judy and Bill spoke about more cameras on campus, signage and surveillance as part of a solution. A policy level discussion may need to take place with District Administrative Council.

## 8. Updates

### **Measure E Project Updates, Facilities Update/ Planning & Scheduled Maintenance Projects – Judy Lanchester**

- MJC painting is currently under way. Concentrating on east campus project now, toward the end. Will be painting on west in spring. Sierra Hall and Yosemite Hall both had some water intrusion which is being investigated.
- Hammer throw project is in DSA. Working on handle the ADA portion.
- Science Outdoor Education is in the planning phases and will be at DSA soon.
- District Office Demolition will start in 2 weeks.
- Decentralization – Finishing phase 2, screens for the Student Center will begin during holiday break and be finished in January. Phase 3 will be completed summer 2018.
- Roadway phase 3 has been completed.
- District parking lot under the solar array will be completed summer 2018.

### **ADA Issues – Lonita Cordova**

- Lonita didn't have an ADA update but took the opportunity to thank the Council for allowing her to serve as she will be leaving MJC for a position she accepted with another college.

### **Risk Management – Dorothy Pimentel**

- Dorothy had to leave the meeting prior to a report out.

### **Campus Safety/Parking & Traffic Issues/MJC Health & Safety Sub-Committee – Bill Watts**

- Bill relayed they are experiencing more speeding traffic on west campus with the new loop road. They will be considering additional speed bumps to resolve the issue.

### **Media Services – Jeff Swank**

- No report out at this time.

### **Technology Services – Patrick Pimentel, Sr.**

- Not available for a report.

### **Space/Scheduling – Sherri Suarez**

- Sherri had to leave the meeting prior to a report out.

## 6. Check-out

Our next agenda will include approving minutes, second read on presented projects to include mock-up bench with new name for Outdoor Education Center.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:31pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 18, 2017 in Library Basement 55.