Voters Approve ‘Measure X’ Bond

Other community colleges and local school districts also get bonds approved.

Election Day was a gratifying one for Cypress College and the rest of the North Orange County Community College District as voters gave approval to “Measure X.” The final results still must be certified by the county’s registrar of voters. However, with a 15,653 vote margin, it’s extremely unlikely that the election results will be reversed. In order to pass, Measure X needed to capture 55% of all votes on the issue; in the end, 57.4% of voters in the District boundaries gave their support.

The bond will provide money for construction of a student center, which will also house student services, a new library, maintenance facility and a child care center. It will also fund renovation, remodeling, and modernizing of classrooms, laboratories, lecture halls and the theater. Some examples:

- Renovate classrooms to accommodate new technology (computers, multimedia, Internet access, video projectors); upgrade electrical infrastructure;
- Remodel science labs for computer use;
- Replace 35-year-old carpeting and seats in lecture halls and theater;
- Provide storage for hazardous materials used in labs;
- Construct new restroom building near baseball and softball fields;
- Remodel storage areas for use as rehearsal venues for Fine Arts Division;
- Move designated computer labs and learning centers to new Library; convert their existing space to classrooms; and
- Install soundproofing material between classrooms

Other projects to be funded by the bond include repair of the piazza.

A citizen’s oversight committee will ensure that money raised by the bond is spent only on items listed in the measure. All but one of the 14 community college districts bonds in California passed on Tuesday.

In addition, all six of the Orange County school districts with bond measures on the ballot were successful in their efforts.

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- “Fragments of Time” opens, Photography and Floating Wall galleries (through April 13)
- “Distressed Fictions” opens, Library Gallery (through April 13)
- NOCCCD Board of Trustees, DEC, 5:30 p.m.
- “Odd Drawings” opens, Fine Arts Gallery, 7-9 p.m.
- “Meet the Pres.,” President’s Office reception area, 5:30-6:30 p.m.
- Semester in Florence meeting, Staff Conference Center, 7-9 p.m.
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- Academic Senate, WCR, 3 p.m.
- Celebration of Women, Pond, 4-7 p.m.
- “Cabaret,” Theater, 8 p.m.
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“Courage is the power to let go of the familiar.”

- Mary Bryant

March 11, 2002 Newsletter from President Margie Lewis
Thirty-five students will participate in the Honors Transfer Council of California Honors Conference this weekend at UC I. Nine students are presenting papers at the conference. They are: Brandon Powers, Erin Alonzo, Jennifer Gamble, Joseph Walls, Anna Blake, Princess Nguyen, Arthur Javier, Sandra Bourdoo and Marisol Torres.

Thirty Honors Program students served as volunteers for the successful “Measure X” campaign. Two students — Sharon Suh and Eldes Tran — completed internships with the campaign.

Pat Ganer has been selected to serve as the faculty member from Cypress College for the Spring 2003 Semester in Paris program. She will be joined by Kate Johnson from Fullerton College.

Send your people news to the Public Information Office.

**OPENINGS**

For more information on these job openings, visit the NOCCCD Web-site.

Program Assistant (ISE/Cypress) Dean, Vocational Education and Economic Development (CC) Dean, Language Arts/Library (CC) Dean, Fine Arts (CC) Director of Nursing (80%) Director of College Health Services (20%) (CC) Coordinator Vocational/Medical Education Programs (SCE/YL) Administrative Secretary III (DEO) Campus Safety Officer/Creation (FG) Accounting Technician (SCE/YL) Research Analyst (CC) Executive Secretary I (DEO)

**Now for the Bad News... State Budget Looks Ugly**

It’s too early to hit the panic button. That, however, may be the most positive thing about the California state budget, which some estimates predict is facing a $17-18 billion shortfall.

Governor Davis’ initial proposal didn’t look so good. By the time a revised version is released in May, it could be worse.

Complicating matters more, final approval of the California budget is not anticipated to happen until well after the Constitutionally mandated July 1 deadline — some project that a state budget won’t be signed until August or September.

That means campus budget decisions are likely to take place after the summer break begins.

**OC Weekly Names ‘COLD/TENDER’ Best New Play**

And the “O C ie” goes to... (insert drum roll)... Cypress College, “COLD/TENDER!”

“COLD/TENDER” — Cypress College’s fall 2001 studio workshop production — was honored as the “best new play” at the 2001 Orange County Weekly Awards, affectionately known as the “O C i e s.” More than 100 people in the local theater community were invited to the awards gala, which was held on February 25 at the Grove Theater Center in Garden Grove.

The play was written by Cody Henderson, who the Theater/Dance Department funded as a professional guest playwright. It beat out two South Coast Repertory productions, and one each from the Chance Theater, Cal State Fullerton and the Empire Theatre.

In his review of “COLD/TENDER,” OC Weekly’s Joel Beers said: “Some of the performances border on brilliant, and no one gets in the way of Henderson’s well-crafted script. It’s a poignant, provocative and moving experience.”

Henderson worked with student actors and student-director Sadie Katz, whose faculty supervisor was Jennifer Mosier.

The O C i e s have been presented for six years as a way to honor the best in Orange County and Long Beach theater. The award makes no distinction between big and small theaters. This year, smaller theaters claimed as many nominations — and earned as many awards — as the big venues.

**ED > Net Honors Pair of Cypress College Students**

Students Kevin Boice and Lauren Nickerson have been honored as finalists in the California ED > N et New Media/Multimedia/Entertainment Initiative awards.

The two were honored in the Digital Imagery category, which had a total of 64 entries from 18 different community colleges.

From that total 13 entries were selected to be sent to the judging panel, made up of industry professionals. The judges identified a winning entry and 5 finalist entries in each category.

The ED > N et program’s goal is to recognize outstanding student work in various categories of the digital, film and animation disciplines, as well as the faculty who teach them.

Last year, Cypress College student Socheat Eat was the over-all winner in the Digital Imagery category.

**BRIEFLY**

The semester’s second installment of “Meet the Pres.” takes place on Wednesday, from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the President’s Office Reception Area (located on the second floor of the Library/Administration Building. “Meet the Pres.” is the ongoing series of informational dialogues with college President Margie Lewis. It is open to all staff and students. There is no agenda. Drinks and dessert are provided.

Nominations for Outstanding Alumnus are now being accepted by the Foundation. The single-sheet nomination form has been placed in all campus mailboxes. The award serves as recognition for the personal achievements of our alumni and their contributions to society. For more information call ext. 47126.

Demolition of the surface membrane on piazza adjacent to the President’s Office has begun. Both foot and cart traffic will be restricted and detoured for approximately 45-60 days. Maintenance and Operations is asking for patience during this period. Funding for this project comes from state scheduled maintenance dollars, not bond proceeds.

Web mistress Jonni Taylor will be leaving on hiatus on Friday. She will return on April 22. To schedule appointments following her return, call ext. 47157.

For nearly a-half-million students, Cypress College has been a springboard to their dreams. Come to Cypress College and Go Places!