Push for ‘½ Semester,’ Summer Enrollment

State’s late budget approval means we need more students than were planned for.

Sometimes you’re better off doing nothing. Or so it seems.

Last year, as the college scheduled classes for this academic year, lawmakers accomplished next to nothing — despite, of course, the constitutionally mandated requirement to pass a budget in June. The proposals during that time all called for cuts, cuts and more cuts.

And then a budget was passed... with money for enrollment growth.

Sadly, had the college done nothing but twiddle its thumbs while waiting for the budget to be passed, the current enrollment picture would look pretty rosy.

Instead, a responsible course of action was taken to cut courses based on the best information available during a summer of strange turns of events. As a result, there is a now a need to expand enrollment.

In the next few weeks there will be a significant effort made to increase enrollment in the upcoming “½ Semester” program — which begins March 22 — and the summer session.

The immediate need is to fill the classes which begin next month. It’s also important to know that any of these courses that are currently at or near capacity may be expanded to accommodate interested students.

With the recent development of “add codes” for WebStar, it will be easier for students to enroll in theses classes.

A potential fee increase in the fall also provides incentives for students to take additional classes now and in the summer.

The “½ Semester” class schedule is on the college Web site. Additional information will be distributed in the coming weeks.

In the meantime, please do all you can to encourage students to enroll in these classes.

Three Propositions on March 2 Ballot Impact Colleges

Three key propositions affecting community colleges appear on the March 2 ballot. Below are non-partisan summaries of the propositions, edited from http://www.smartvoter.org:

**Proposition 55** — Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2004:

This $12,300,000,000 of budget and budget-related bond issue will provide funding for necessary educational facilities to relieve overcrowding and to repair older schools. Funds will be targeted to areas of the greatest need and must be spent according to strict accountability measures. Funds will also be used to upgrade and build new classrooms in the California Community Colleges, the California State University, and the University of California, to provide adequate higher education facilities to accommodate the growing student enrollment. These bonds may be used only for eligible projects. Fiscal Impact: State costs of about $24.7 billion to pay off both the principal ($12.3 billion) and interest ($12.4 billion) costs on the bonds. Payments of about $823 million per year.

**Proposition 57** — The Economic Recovery Bond Act: A one time Economic Recovery Bond of up to $15,000,000,000 to pay off the state’s accumulated General Fund deficit as

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of June 30, 2004. The Economic Recovery Bond will only be issued if the California Balanced Budget Act (Proposition 58) is also approved by the voters. The bonds will be secured by existing tax revenues and by other revenues that could be deposited in a special fund.

Proposition 58 — The California Balanced Budget Act: Requires enactment of a balanced budget in which General Fund expenditures do not exceed estimated General Fund revenues. Allows the Governor to proclaim a fiscal emergency in specified circumstances, and submit proposed legislation to address the fiscal emergency. Requires the Legislature to stop other action and act on legislation proposed to address the emergency. Establishes a budget reserve. Provides that the California Economic Recovery Bond Act (Proposition 57) is for a single object or work. Prohibits any future deficit bonds.

In related news, Orange County has adopted a new, electronic voting system, eSlate™. The eSlate is about the size of a legal pad, roughly an inch thick, and weighs just 5.2 pounds. The voter uses a rotary wheel to move through the ballot and to cast a vote. For more information, click on http://www.OCvote.org.

Black History Month Events Start This Week

Events for this year’s Black History Month — “Overcoming Obstacles, Striving for Success” — kick off this week.

On Wednesday, the Black Student Union hosts a mixer in the Culinary Arts Dining Room, from 5-8 p.m. The BSU has invited other Afrocentric clubs from neighboring institutions, representatives from the business community, and the college community. There will be several speakers throughout the evening, and refreshments will be served.

The second annual Black Film Festival opens with a screening of “Carmen Jones,” a classic musical with a murderous twist that features phenomenal stars during the 1930s. It will be shown on Thursday, from 3-6 p.m., in H-108.

All Black History Month events are open to the entire campus.

Cypress College is pleased to welcome a former college employee back to the district as the new FC president. Kathleen O’Connell Hodge, an instructor at Saddleback College who served as a vice chancellor and as acting chancellor for the South Orange County Community College District, began her duties last month.

An educator for 28 years, Hodge began her career as a student activities advisor at Cypress College, where she also taught on a part-time basis. She left Cypress in 1975 to become a counselor for 12 years at Saddleback College, where she went on to serve as Dean of Continuing Education from 1987 to 1995 before moving to the District Office as vice chancellor of Educational Services. During her five-year tenure as vice chancellor, she served for eight months as acting chancellor. In July, 2000, she returned to teaching as a professor of psychology.

Hodge is the seventh president in the history of Fullerton College.

While in the welcoming mood, we’d also like to offer congratulations to Mark Drummond, who has been selected as the new chancellor of the California Community Colleges. He follows Tom Nussbaum, who retired last month.

Most recently Dr. Drummond was chancellor of the Los Angeles Community College District.
FEBRUARY
Black History Awareness
at Cypress College

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3:00 – 6:00 pm Movie: “Panther” Rm. H108
11:00 am – 12:00 pm Dr. Parham Rm. L216
3:00 – 6:00 pm Movie: “School Daze” Rm. H108
6:00 – 8:00 pm African Fashion Show Fine Arts 304 Tickets: $5.00 (see K. Wise H224)

Theme: “Overcoming Obstacles, Striving for Success”
BLACK HISTORY MONTH
“OVERCOMING OBSTACLES, STRIVING FOR SUCCESS”

BLACK FILM FESTIVAL: All films will be shown in Humanities Building Room 108 from 3-6 p.m. as a part of the Black Studies Learning Community. Join us!

- **Carmen Jones**: This film is a classic musical with a murderous twist that features phenomenal stars during the 1930’s. Showing on Thursday, February 19th.
- **Panther**: This film is a historical overview of the beginning and end of the Panther party and their involvement in the Civil Rights Movement. Showing on Tuesday, February 24th.
- **School Daze**: This film, set on a college campus, explores many controversial racial issues within the black community. Showing on Thursday, February 26th.

BLACK STUDENT UNION “MIXER”: Don’t miss out on an opportunity to mingle with the Black Student Union in the Culinary Arts Dining Room from 5-8 p.m. The BSU has invited other Afrocentric clubs from neighboring institutions, representatives from the business community, and you!! There will be a few speakers throughout the evening, and refreshments will be served.

**Dr. THOMAS PARHAM** will be here to speak on Wednesday, February 25th in room Library, 216. Dr. Parham is a fabulous speaker and is the Vice President of Counseling at University of California at Irvine. Dr. Parham brings a lot of experience and enthusiasm to share with the students and faculty at Cypress College.

**An AFRICAN FASHION SHOW** will occur on Friday, February 27th in Fine Arts 304. Come support this event sponsored by the Black Student Union and you will enjoy insight into fashion and culture. Tickets are $5.00; see Kim Wise in Humanities 223, Fola Odebunmi in Humanities 271, or a member of the BSU.
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INTRADISTRICT CORRESPONDENCE

To: All District Staff
From: Jerry Hunter
Date: December 18, 2003
Subject: New Fullerton College President

I am pleased to announce that Dr. Kathleen Hodge has been selected the new President of Fullerton College. The information that appears below is included in a release that will be distributed to the news media this afternoon. On behalf of the Board of Trustees and District administration, I want to thank the members of the Selection Committee and the Site Visitation team for their time, careful consideration, and recommendation of finalists. We all join in welcoming Dr. Hodge to Fullerton College and to the North Orange County Community College District and look forward to working with her.

NEWS RELEASE

December 18, 2003

Kathleen O’Connell Hodge, an instructor at Saddleback College who served as a Vice Chancellor and as Acting Chancellor for the South Orange County Community College District, was named president of Fullerton College Thursday. She will assume her new post in early January, 2004.

Hodge will replace former Fullerton College President Michael Viera who resigned in June to become Superintendent/President of Citrus Community College District in Glendora.

An educator for 28 years, Hodge began her career as a student activities
advisor at Cypress College, where she also taught on a part-time basis. Cypress is the sister institution to Fullerton College in the North Orange County Community College District. Hodge left Cypress in 1975 to become a counselor for 12 years at Saddleback College, where she went on to serve as Dean of Continuing Education from 1987 to 1995 before moving to the District Office as Vice Chancellor of Educational Services. During her five-year tenure as Vice Chancellor, she served for eight months as Acting Chancellor. In July, 2000, she returned to teaching as a professor of psychology.

Hodge, who was selected from a field of 24 candidates for the position, will become the seventh president in the history of the college since its establishment as part of the Fullerton Union High School District in 1913.

"I am so honored to be selected as Fullerton College's President, especially because of the college's rich history and outstanding reputation for its academic programs and its service to students and the community," Hodge said. "I can't wait to join the campus community and make a contribution to the great work that is being done there."

In addition to her academic experience, Hodge is a licensed marriage and family therapist and a member of the San Clemente Hospital Community Advisory Board. In 1999, she served as a member of the Community College Advisory Committee to the Little Hoover Commission and she has been actively involved in the accreditation process as a member of four different accreditation teams, Accreditation Liaison Officer, and Chair of the Accreditation Self Study for Saddleback College. Ten years ago, she served as International Liaison for the Western Association of Schools
A resident of San Clemente, Hodge holds a doctorate degree in higher education from the University of Southern California, a master's degree in counseling from California State University, Fullerton, a bachelor's degree in speech from CSUF, and an associate degree in liberal arts from Citrus College.
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
December 22, 2003

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Dr. Mark Drummond Named Chancellor of the
California Community Colleges

Nussbaum Retiring from Post after Seven Years at Helm, 27 with Colleges

SACRAMENTO—The Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges today announced the appointment of Los Angeles Community College District Chancellor Dr. Marshall “Mark” Drummond as chancellor for the state community college system.

Drummond will officially assume his new role on January 18, 2004, when exiting Chancellor Thomas J. Nussbaum officially retires. He will begin spending time in Sacramento on January 5, however, in order to work with Nussbaum to ensure a smooth transition in leadership for the largest system of higher education in the world.

“We are extremely excited that Chancellor Drummond has accepted this position,” said Catherine L. Unger, President of the Board of Governors. “This is a challenging time for California and the community colleges. Mark Drummond has a record of galvanizing public support for the colleges and we believe he will hit the ground running to work with the new Governor and the Legislature to find the resources needed to keep the colleges vital in building the future of the state.”

“I am grateful for the opportunity to serve the California Community Colleges at a time when enrollment demand is at an all-time high, and the system is poised to play an increasingly pivotal role in California’s future,” Drummond said in accepting his new post. “I want to offer my thanks to the Board of Governors, and to my predecessor, Tom Nussbaum, whose courage and skill as chancellor have led the system through difficult times and strengthened the system.”

Appointed chancellor of the Los Angeles Community College District in June 1999, Drummond is credited with resurrecting the district from a troubled history of financial hardship, archaic bureaucracy and declining enrollment.

During his tenure, Drummond succeeded in getting two bond measures, Propositions A and AA, totaling more than $2 billion, approved by voters to make much-needed improvements to
the nine Los Angeles community college campuses. In addition, he created a decentralized administrative system that empowers each of the colleges, the college presidents, and the communities they serve. Drummond also has revived awareness of the opportunities available to students who enroll in Los Angeles community colleges. Within four years, enrollment in the District grew from 100,000 to more than 130,000 students before the colleges were forced to cap enrollment due to state funding cuts.

“The Board of Governors faced a tough choice in selecting the next chancellor of the California Community Colleges. They have made the right choice with Mark Drummond,” said California State Secretary of Education Richard Riordan. “Mark comes to this post with a reputation for being a turnaround specialist and an effective leader. I look forward to working with him.”

“I am greatly encouraged by the selection of Mark Drummond,” said Senator Jack Scott, Chair of the Senate's Budget Subcommittee on Education. “He brings a wealth of experience, excellent educational insight and a fine set of leadership skills to this position.”

Prior to joining the Los Angeles district, Drummond served as president of Eastern Washington University for nearly a decade, significantly increasing the university’s endowment, grants and contracts and private and public funds. Drummond also served as executive vice president, vice president of administrative service and finances and vice president and chief information officer.

Drummond holds extensive experience in the private sector as well. He was a founding member and general manager of Technology Specialists, Inc., and general manager for West Coast operations at Systems and Computer Technology Corporation, both based in Pennsylvania. Drummond is also the past president of Management Services Associates in Hayward, California.

As Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, Drummond will oversee policy development and work with the Board of Governors to provide leadership, accountability and advocacy for the system. Responsibilities of the Chancellor’s Office also include college financing and program management.

Nussbaum led a period of growth and system development while at the helm of the California Community Colleges. He is credited with increasing fiscal support for the system and visibility for the colleges’ ability to bolster the social and economic success of the state. He led during four of the largest funding increases in system history, resulting in a base budget increase for community colleges of more than $1.75 billion. His policy recommendations to address educational issues, such as increased access and accountability, helped to shape the fundamental role of community colleges in California today and in the future.

“The past seven years have been tremendously fulfilling, both in terms of being able to develop a strategy for the future of community colleges in California and working with the Board of Governors, my staff and educational leaders throughout the state,” said Nussbaum. “I have always appreciated Mark Drummond’s creativity, dynamism and results-oriented
approach and I think the Board made a great choice. I am looking forward to working with Mark and the Board of Governors to ensure an orderly transition.”

“It was great news this morning to hear that the Board of Governors has selected a great leader from among us,” said Piedad E. Robertson, Superintendent/President of Santa Monica College. “I look forward to working with him in his new capacity as chancellor of the Community Colleges system.”

“Mark Drummond will make an excellent chancellor for the California Community College system. He is an experienced leader who certainly knows the pressing needs of higher education in general and the community colleges in particular, since he has led the Los Angeles district the past four years. I look forward to working with him in Sacramento, as all of higher education joins together to protect quality and access for the state's students,” said California State University Chancellor Charles B. Reed.

Raymond Holdsworth, Chairman of the Board for the California State Chamber of Commerce strongly endorsed Drummond’s selection.

“I have worked closely with Dr. Mark Drummond and found him to be a highly effective manager, who has proven capable of guiding the Los Angeles Community Colleges District in good times as well as challenging times,” Holdsworth said. “Above all, he is dedicated to providing opportunities for students to succeed, and to get the highly diverse next generation ready for careers. A trained and educated workforce is critical to California’s economic future.”

About the California Community Colleges

The California Community Colleges is a system of 108 public two-year institutions that are administered through 72 community college districts throughout the state. Each year more than 2 million students enroll in the community colleges to prepare for transfer to four-year colleges and universities, train for new careers, or upgrade their technical or academic skills.

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Greenleaf started on the south-east corner of the building (top sequence of photos), which already had a panel of siding askew. With a hole in the side of the building, he started tearing the roof off (bottom).
By mid morning, debris was all that remained of the former Bookstore. More photos are online at http://CypressCollege.edu in the “Construction Zone.”
This is the Library/Learning Resource Center construction site as of February 11. With the former Bookstore gone, it’s perhaps the best overview of the work area that we’ll see. Shot from the roof of SEM (top), the demolished Bookstore is in the foreground, with Gym I at the upper right and the baseball field at the upper left. Crews work in the area of the former handball courts (bottom) in a photo looking toward SEM (center of photo), Gym I (left of photo) and Lot 7 (right of photo).
The New Road

This is how you build a road. Anyone who has come into campus from Lincoln Ave. over the past month has likely grumbled about how long it takes to build a road. But, that’s not the case here. A new fire-access road is part of the L/LRC project — since the building will cross the old Lakeshore Drive. The photo above indicates the status of the road as work began about a week ago. The second photo (on the bottom) was taken less than a week later, with the finishing touches already in place. The road will provide temporary emergency access into the campus until the construction is completed in fall 2005.