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New Trustees of Solano Community College Introduced at Board Meeting

FAIRFIELD, CA, DECEMBER 17, 2012: Solano Community College (SCC) will host a welcome reception for its newly elected Trustees: Monica Brown (Area 5), Michael A. Martin, (Area 7), and continuing Trustee Rosemary Thurston (Area 3) on Wednesday, December 19, 2012. The reception will begin at 6:00pm in order to precede the 7:00 pm. Governing Board meeting; both will be held at the Fairfield campus, Administration Building, Board Room 626.

Ms. Monica Brown, Trustee representing Fairfield, Green Valley, and Cordelia, presently resides in Fairfield. She earned a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science with a minor in Math and History and her Teaching Credential from San Diego State. Currently, Ms. Brown teaches History at Green Valley Middle School in Fairfield and has taught Math for 28 years. “When I ran for the Governing Board in 2008 I was not elected; I ran again because I truly want to make a difference in the community and in the lives of our students,” commented Monica Brown.



Mr. Martin, Trustee representing Vacaville, Dixon, and Winters is a lifelong resident of Winters. He attended SCC, earning his Associate of Arts degree in Business, and transferred to Sacramento State University, earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration. Mike has management experience through his employment with Solano County for 31 years; he was Volunteer Fire Captain with Vacaville Fire Protection District for 30 years and has served four of six and a half years on the Winters City Council in both the mayor and vice mayor positions. “Having lived my life serving the public, I strongly



believe in the importance of education,” shared Michael Martin. “I owe my successes to the educational system of California and in this Trustee role I want to expand the opportunities for all people to receive an affordable and quality education.”

Ms. Rosemary Thurston, Trustee representing Benicia, Vallejo, and Suisun is a proud resident of Vallejo. She earned a Bachelor of Arts in Business Education at the University of Missouri and a Master of Arts in Business Education at Oregon State University. Trustee Thurston is a retired



educator, after teaching at SCC for 28 years; she has served on the SCC Governing Board since 2008. Ms. Thurston shared, “I taught here for 28 years, so I have a great love for Solano Community College. I really want to see it succeed, grow, and prosper. Hopefully we will be back on track having adequate funds in order to add programs and not be concerned with having to cut back. It is really important that Board members understand their role as far as accreditation is concerned. I do understand that role – that’s why I took on the job of running and winning.”

The reception and meeting are open to the public. Please contact Judy Spencer, Executive Coordinator, Superintendent-President’s & Governing Board Office, at 707.864.7112 or judy.spencer@solano.edu for additional Governing Board information.

About Solano Community College:

The College has served as the preeminent educational institution in Solano County since 1945 when it was founded as Vallejo Junior College. In the early 1970s, the College moved to its present Fairfield site, and is currently serving over 20,000 students throughout the academic year.

In addition to the main campus in Fairfield, the College has one Center in Vacaville, and one in Vallejo. To further serve the community, SCC offers courses at Travis Air Force Base, and operates a School of Aeronautics at the Nut Tree Airport.

Currently, Solano Community College offers Associate Degrees and Certificates in various disciplines, to include transfer courses to CSU and UC, and provides training in several trades. For more information, please visit us at www.solano.edu.

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