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How to Finance Community College

Third of four articles by Community College Citizens Committee

How much will a community college cost? Where will the money come from?

These are two pertinent questions to be considered before the June 8 vote on a community college for Oakland County.

Cedric Fricks, treasurer of the Community College Citizens Committee, has listed three basic financial facts that will affect any decision regarding the building and operating costs of a community college.

These are based on the experience of existing community colleges in Michigan and on the report of the Citizens Advisory Study Committee of 1962.

1. Operating costs should be approximately \$600 per student per year. (This includes salaries of teachers and staff, supplies and utilities and other day-to-day operational costs.)

2. Construction costs should be approximately \$3,000 per student (This includes buildings, equipment and site development.)

3. Site costs should be approximately \$2,000 per acre. (Generally, 150 to 200 acres has been the campus area necessary to accommodate 2,000 to 3,000 students.)

The financial facts concerning the revenue or income which can be expected to offset the costs of operating a community college in Oakland County are as follows:

1. State aid should be approximately \$224 per student per year, based on recent legislative appropriations.

2. Resident tuition should be approximately \$200 per student per year based on the present average tuition rates in Michigan community colleges.

3. Millage. A county-wide property tax, proposed on the June 8 ballot, would realize approximately \$2,100,000 per year. This figure is based on a one dollar tax on each \$1,000 of the state equalized property valuation in Oakland County.

This year the equalized valuation in the county is expected to be approximately \$2,100 million. The one mill authorization is based on the experience of other Michigan community colleges.

4. Federal funds. No dollar

figure can now be cited for the amount of recently appropriated Federal money that could be expected for sites and buildings. The State of Michigan has allocated \$2,680,000 for community colleges on a matching basis with local communities.

A community college must be in existence before this money can be granted. This year the state appropriation for community college construction is expected to be \$5 million. Last year the state appropriation was for \$1.5 million.

IF THE board of trustees to be named in the June 8 election chose to start the most modest community college program and to establish the college out of existing available revenues (not counting Federal funds), an institution for 2,500 students could be in operation by September, 1968.

The current eleventh grade class surveyed in 1962. If the percentages hold, and high school counselors report that they do, the potential initial student body for Oakland County Community College would be 2,500.

According to one speaker, "The failure to establish a community college means that \$224 in state aid for every student who would attend this school is being spent elsewhere, state and Federal and private monies for community college construction are not coming into this county. Room and board costs for students who go elsewhere is money being drained away from this area."

Long term financial gains are seen in the ability of better educated, more highly skilled workers to add to the purchasing power of the area and to increase the tax base.

COST TO THE individual property owner is one dollar per thousand of the assessed value of his property multiplied by the equalization factor assigned to his city or township.

Within the Birmingham City School District the 1963 equalization factor was 1.9 for Bloomfield Township, 1.57 for Southfield Township, 1.27 for the City of Birmingham, 1.85 for the City of Bloomfield Hills, 1.2 for the City of Troy and 1.57 for the City of Southfield.

	1964-65	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68	1968-69
Enrollment	\$ —	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,500	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,500
Operating Costs: Planning & Development ¹	400,000	100,000	—	—	—
General Operating ²	—	600,000	900,000	1,200,000	1,500,000
Total	400,000	700,000	900,000	1,200,000	1,500,000
State Aid ³	—	200,000	300,000	400,000	500,000
Tuition	—	200,000	300,000	400,000	500,000
Tax Collection ⁴	2,100,000	2,100,000	2,100,000	2,100,000	2,100,000
Total	2,100,000	2,500,000	2,700,000	2,900,000	3,100,000
Available for Bldg. & Land	1,700,000	1,800,000	1,800,000	1,700,000	1,600,000
Land Purchase ⁶	300,000	—	—	—	—
Avail. for Bldg.	1,400,000	1,800,000	1,800,000	1,700,000	1,600,000
Total Available for Building	1,400,000	3,200,000	5,000,000	6,700,000	8,300,000
Building Cost ⁷	—	—	4,500,000	6,000,000	7,500,000

Newcomers Display B'ham's Hospitality

BY MARY BAHN
Staff Writer

That good old-fashioned custom—hospitality—had a day all to itself on Tuesday, thanks to the efforts of the Birmingham Newcomers Club.

Passerby were treated to free potato chips, cookies, hot and cold drinks and a warm smile from newcomers garbed in flowing skirts and elegant portrait hats.

In return, residents and non-residents alike replied with a somewhat-hesitant smile (not knowing quite what to expect) followed by a heartfelt "thank you."

WOMEN, TIRED from a day of shopping, stopped to sit at park benches thoughtfully provided by the Newcomers in their mall at Henrietta St. and Maple.

Boys and girls eagerly accepted the colorful balloons handed out by the "ladies in the beautiful dresses" as one youngster apply put it.

Secretaries looked down on the cheery scene from office windows high above the street, while city officials wandered over from meetings and business of the day for a relaxing few minutes.

Old men who usually spent a quiet afternoon in Shain Park instead sat near the fringe of the mall, taking in the spirit of the centennial.

Occasionally, a group of the Senior Men's Club would step up on the impromptu stage and begin a medley reminiscent of yesteryear

—like "Take Me Home Again Kathleen" and "When Irish Eyes are Smiling."

"THE SENIOR MEN have really brought in the people," said Jane Talbert, chairman of the day.

"We have had a good crowd since we began serving at 9:30 this morning," she said.

Also on the entertainment agenda were Yvonne Rathgeb and Mary Jo Burkhardt, who sang light opera.

A long table held maps and pamphlets of points of interest in Michigan for anyone to wander by and "help themselves."

Those who attended said it was a day when the "Coke, coffee and hospitality flowed."

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Teens

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SOME OF THE students who had been in European countries mentioned that teens there are taught to drink when they are young, and at home.

Although Nancy Pitts felt that the whole culture of the country would have to be changed to permit this, most of the girls felt that social drinking should be taught in the home.

"My parents would rather give me a drink at home rather than have me experiment in getting smashed out of my mind, then getting smashed on the highway," said one teen.

She felt that in this young people could develop a natural attitude towards drinking.

Surprising to Dave Zimmer, the girls vetoed his suggestion of lowering the voting age.

THEY FELT that at 18 teens were not fully mature, and that three years "out in the world" would teach them the realities of life.

Zimmer, who backed his argument with mandatory conscription which begins at 18, was told by one parent that "it doesn't take any great mental ability to shoot a gun, but it does to vote."

The teens were told that the YMCA is redrafting plans for its new building to include a room designed especially for youth activities. Tentative plans call for a room that will hold 500 which could open to include more people for special occasions.

The teens will meet throughout the summer to act as youth consultants for the Y project. Seniors will bring their new representatives for the fall at the next meeting, slated for June 16.

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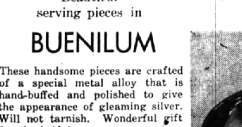
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