



TACTC PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Issue 4

Trustees Association of Community and Technical Colleges Special edition

Special Edition— New Trustee Orientation and Legislative Plenary Session

New Trustees Receive Training

Eleven new trustees, along with their college presidents, attended TACTC's new trustee orientation on September 28th. **Larry Brown**, TACTC Education Committee chair, facilitated the day, which included small group discussions on various situations trustees might encounter.



Holly Moore, Shoreline CC President and **Rich Rutkowski**, Green River CC President presented to the new trustees at their orientation.

The trustees also heard from Senior Assistant Attorney **Howard Fischer**, **Mary Alice Grobins**, SBCTC Director for Financial Services, and **Earl Hale**, SBCTC Executive Director.

Special thanks for attending and welcome new trustees to TACTC!

Sherry Parker, Clark
Rebecca Chaffee, Grays Harbor
Jane Stein, Lake WA
Ed James, Renton Tech
Barbara Clarkson, SPSCC
Lisa Parker, Yakima Valley

Enriqueta Mayuga, Columbia Basin
Sherry Gates, Green River
Sang Chae, Lake WA
Gidget Terpstra, Shoreline
Velma Perez, Yakima Valley



New trustee **Gidget Terpstra**, Shoreline CC, **Patty Russell**, Executive Assistant to the President at Whatcom CC, and new Yakima Valley CC trustees **Lisa Parker** and **Velma Perez** at the orientation in Renton.

System Issues Discussed at Leadership Dinner

The TACTC Executive Committee hosted WACTC's Executive Committee and three State Board members for TACTC's annual leadership dinner on Sept. 28th. The dinner is one of the ways the leadership of the three organizations work to make sure they agree on the important issues facing higher education, and work together on strategies to address those issues.

Topics covered during the dinner conversation included an update on I-884; a look at the legislative and gubernatorial races; strategies to utilize the National Collaborative report; and the need for future meetings.



TACTC Treasurer **Elizabeth Chen** and State Board member **Carolyn Purnell** at the Executive Committee dinner.

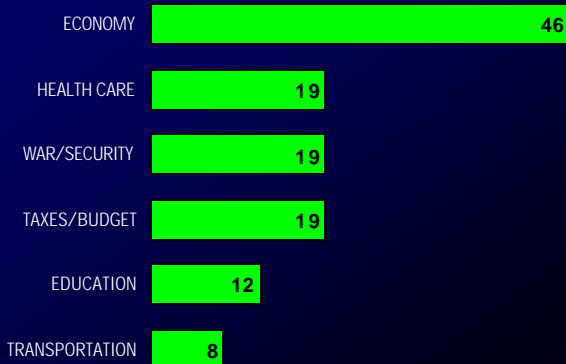
Special thanks to the TACTC Executive Committee, Tom Koenninger, Jim Garrison and Carolyn Purnell, as well as Charlie Earl, Priscilla Bell and Jill Wakefield for attending.

Carolyn Purnell, Jim Garrison, Earl Hale and **Jim Robinson** working on the tough issues like, "where is the dessert?"

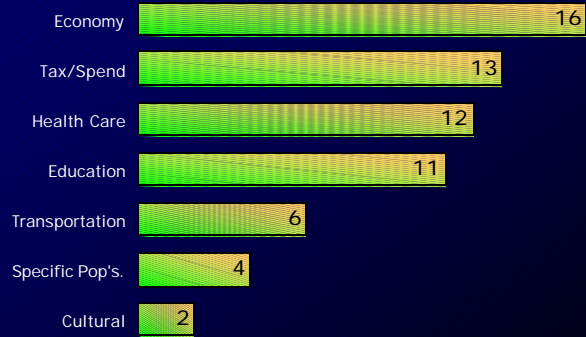


Stu Elway: Washington is a Blue State

Most Important Issues / Congress



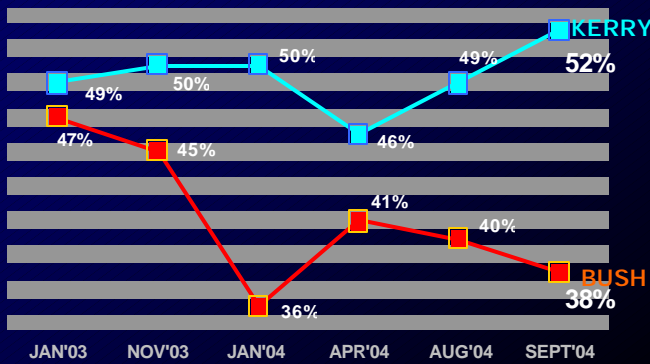
State Gov't. Concerns



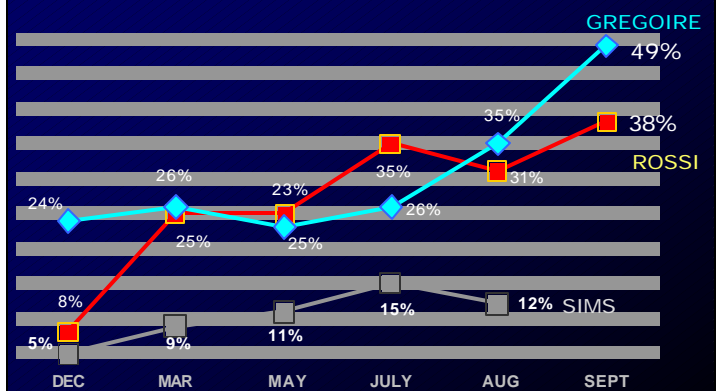
Back by popular demand, **Stu Elway**, of Elway Research, entertained and informed his audience with the results of his most recent polls. He walked through what issues Washington voters care most about and tracked the ratings for the statewide candidates over the last several months.

(Note: In his October poll, Elway had Gregoire with 45% of the vote to Rossi's 38%. His poll also showed the presidential race as being closer in Washington, with Kerry leading Bush 50% to 44%.)

Presidential Race



Governor Race



Legislative Priorities Identified

Under the leadership of **Gene Chase**, Everett CC trustee and chair of TACTC's Legislative Steering Committee, TACTC adopted the recommendations of the Legislative Steering Committee. The operating budget request has three priorities: Access; Compensation; and Facilities.

Panelists **Frank DeVaul**, Centralia; **Jack McRae**, Edmonds, and **Mary Alice Grobins**, SBCTC Director of Financial Services helped explain the various components of the request, which include:



- ◆ **Operating Budget - \$226.80 million**

- General Enrollments (\$84.8 million): 5,000 new enrollments per year funded at \$5,650 each.

- ABE/ESL Enhanced Funding (\$10 million)

- Compensation: COLA (\$443.5 million)

- Recruitment and Retention (\$33.3 million)

- Part-time Faculty Salary Improvement (\$20 million)

- Faculty Increments (\$7.2 million)

- Facilities Maintenance & Operations (M&O) (\$10.30 million)

- ◆ **Capital Budget - \$469.4 million**

- ◆ **Retain the interest earnings on the tuition building fee account**

- ◆ **Allow technical colleges to increase their building fee in excess of the I-601 fiscal growth factor**

- ◆ **Urge the Legislature to reconsider the student progress policy**

- ◆ **Presidential compensation**



Suzy Ames, Director of Communications and Marketing at Cascadia Community College, **Lorna Sutton**, Director of Communications at SBCTC, **Sharron Sellars**, Director of Communications and Marketing at Edmonds and **Jim Robinson**, Olympic College Trustee and SMART Committee Chair participated on the "Framing the Message" panel during the Plenary Session.



The audience asking questions of the panelists after their presentation.



Everett Community College trustee, **Nancy Truitt Pierce** encouraged other trustees to get involved in their local races and meet their candidates. Nancy's husband, **Joel Selling** is running for the House of Representatives in the 39th District.

Two current trustees are also running for office, **Mary Helen Roberts**, Edmonds Community College, and **Derek Kilmer**, Tacoma Community College, are running for the House of Representatives in the 21st and 26th districts respectively.

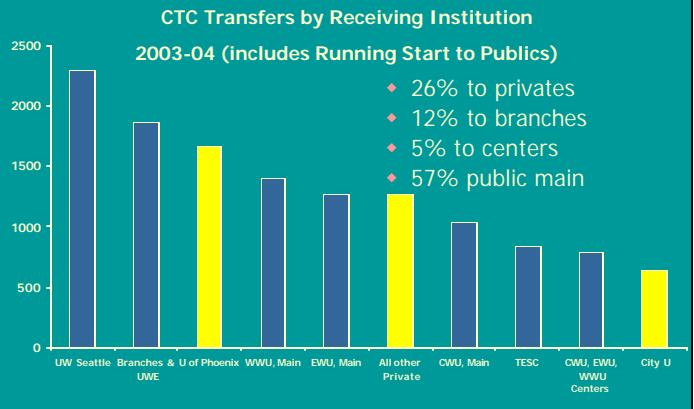
Panelists Unscrambled Issues Surrounding Transfer



Jan Yoshiwara, Director of Education Services, SBCTC

State Board staff members **Jan Yoshiwara** and **Loretta Seppanen** and Bellevue President **Jean Floten** explained the true facts behind the transfer issue. They looked at the progress that's been made – and what still needs to be done – to provide a smooth transition between two-year and four-year colleges, as well as the capacity problem and how to best address it.

15,000 students transfer to public and private institutions



Summary Upper Division Demand for for Next 5 Years

- ◆ 2,100 more traditional juniors by '07
- ◆ 500 to bring Snohomish/N King region up to state average
- ◆ ~1,300 more juniors for tech transfers
- ◆ 1,000 more juniors in 07-09 + ~ 500 more for tech transfer
- ◆ About half are CTC transfers

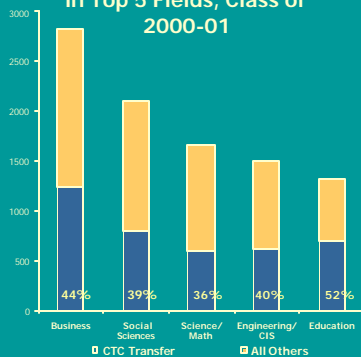


Jean Floten, Bellevue Community College President and **Loretta Seppanen**, Assistant Director for Education Services, SBCTC

Transfer students perform well at universities

- Univ studies: GPAs comparable – transfer & freshman
- Transfers complete high demand, competitive majors
- ~40% of business, math, science, engineering, computer science graduates

High Rate of CTC Transfer in Top 5 Fields, Class of 2000-01



Upper Division Capacity – Growth Needed as Population of Young People Grows

WA High School Grads
To 2002 (actual), 2003 to 2018 (projected)

