UCSB/MTD SUPERTICKET BUS PROGRAM

In February 1996, representatives from Associated Students, Graduate Students Association and MTD agreed to continue the current contract, with minor contractual modifications. This contract must now be reaffirmed by vote by the student body. The following outlines the main points of this proposed contract.

TRANSIT SYSTEM FEE AND ADULT FARE INDEX

The current $5.90 per student per quarter transit fee for unlimited MTD bus service would continue through summer 1997 barring any unforeseen circumstances. The $5.90 per quarter fee is based on a fare methodology which takes into account UCSB student ridership, the MTD general population fare, and a credit for student transfers. The student transit fee is indexed to the MTD adult fare. This means that should MTD decide to increase their adult fare (currently $7.75), the UCSB student transit fee would be adjusted by the same percentage.

BUS ACCESS

In lieu of a regular paid fare, MTD will continue to accept UCSB registration cards with a current quarter validation sticker. For the period of one week prior to the first day of classes, in Winter and Spring quarters, continuing through the end of the second week of classes of that quarter, MTD will also accept a registration card validated for the previous quarter. In any quarter, a UCSB "Temporary ID Card" in conjunction with a photo ID will be accepted by MTD from one week prior to the start of a quarter through the second week of classes for that quarter.

SUMMER ACCESS

Students who are registered for Summer Session will continue to have unlimited ridership with MTD from one week prior to the start of Summer Session to the beginning of Fall Quarter by showing their registration card with the valid Summer Session sticker. For students registered in all four quarters, this results in year-round transportation. As a pilot program for summer 1996, graduate students will be able to pay the $5.90 transit fee for unlimited MTD bus service.

CONTRACT REAFFIRMATION

If students reaffirm this fee, the new contract between UCSB and MTD will commence Summer Session 1996. The contract shall continue in effect until cancellation by either UCSB or MTD. However, a reaffirmation of this contract and fee by ballot voting will occur every four years.

CONTRACT AND BUS SERVICE

The proposed contract between UCSB and MTD does not specify the degree of bus service, e.g., number of bus lines or hours. The contract does state that MTD must notify UCSB of any proposed service changes and hold a public forum at a location convenient to UCSB community. These public forums must be advertised in the Daily Nexus. MTD will also notify the Presidents of Associated Students and Graduate Students Association when changes have been implemented which effect Goleta, Isla Vista, and/or UCSB.

SAMPLE BALLOT

UCSB/MTD Superticket Bus Program
Spring Quarter 1996

Do you approve the reaffirmation of a $5.90 per student per quarter mandatory fee (including summer) to fund the UCSB/MTD Superticket Bus Program? Any fee increase will be indexed to the current MTD adult fare. The contract will be subject to reaffirmation by ballot voting every four years.

___ Yes ___ No

PRO/CON STATEMENTS

All registered students are invited to submit written statements of support or opposition for publication in the Daily Nexus. Pro/Con statements must include the author’s name and be submitted to the Dean of Students Office, Building 427, by 12 noon on Tuesday, April 9, 1996. Statements will appear in the Daily Nexus on Tuesday, April 16 and Wednesday, April 17.

VOTER TURNOUT REQUIREMENTS

A minimum 20 percent voter turnout is required in order for the elections to be considered valid. A sliding scale based on the 5 year average voter turnout (20.81 percent) is used to determine whether an initiative passes. If there is a 20 percent voter turnout, two thirds of those voting must support the measure. If the turnout is 20.81 percent or higher, a 50 percent plus one voter approval is needed for the initiative to pass.
Graduate Students will be voting via computer access Tuesday, April 16, 9:00 a.m. through Wednesday, April 24, 6:00 p.m.

1. The first step to voting electronically is to access this screen.
2. There are several ways to access this screen, some of them are listed below.
3. Choose the method with which you feel most comfortable.

Pegasus users:
Note: The mouse will probably not work. Use arrow keys to move the cursor.
1. If you have accessed Pegasus before, you will recognize the screen to the right. Access this screen again.

Voting from a Netsation
1. Choose Student from the main menu
2. Click the button that reads: Gold (Student Records)

Computer on campus with Internet access:
(Ask the computer lab consultant for assistance.)
Note: The mouse will probably not work. Use arrow keys to move the cursor.
1. Run some type of TN3270 client.
2. From the file menu choose open connection.
3. Type in ccnh.ucsb.edu in the box entitled Enter host name or address.

Voting from your e-mail account:
Note: The mouse will probably not work. Use arrow keys to move the cursor.
1. Not all grad students will be able to use this method.
2. Log in to your account.
3. After you have logged in type in 3270 ccnh.ucsb.edu
4. At the prompt, type GOLD.

--- INFORMATION SYSTEMS and COMPUTING TELNET ---

Please enter a service selection gold

VM - PROFS and CMS Services
COMPLETE - MVS Complete Services
PEGASUS - UCSB Library On-line Catalog
GOLD - Gauchos On-Line Data (Student Records)

Once you have accessed the screen above:
1. Type in GOLD where you are asked for a service selection and hit return or enter (look at screen shot above for reference).
2. Enter your perm and PIN number. (Note: Do not use the numeric keypad.)
3. A welcome message will appear. Hit return or enter to move on.
4. You are now inside the UCSB Student Access Menu.
5. Look for “Voting” on the main menu and select “V.”
6. Move the cursor via tab, arrow keys, mouse, or space bar.
7. Warning: some methods of cursor movement may not work on your computer because of the software you use to access the GOLD system, e.g., mouse may not work.

Note: Once in the “Voting” screen you can click/access Ballot Instructions if you have questions about moving through the screens.

Note: Questions regarding accessing the “Voting” Screens can be directed to Naomi Johnson, Dean of Students Office, 893-4569, apcInt@ucsbvm.ucsb.edu.

--- UNDERGRADUATE POLLING LOCATIONS ---

Undergraduate Students: There will be three polling locations by the University Center, the Arbor Mall (Library), and Buchanan Hall. In addition, there are polling locations tentatively set at the De La Guerra Dining Commons and the Humanities Building. The hours will be 9 a.m. - 6 p.m., Tuesday, April 23 and Wednesday, April 24.

--- VOTERS GUIDE ---

Campus Elections Commission
Dean of Students Office
University of California
Santa Barbara, CA 93106

--- ABSENTEE BALLOTS ---

Absentee ballots will be available for undergraduate students from the Dean of Students Office, Building 427, beginning Tuesday, April 16, through Monday, April 22, 1996.