May 16, 2006

TO: Campus Community

FROM: Carmen Sigler, Provost and VP for Academic Affairs
      Office of the Provost

RE: Appointment: Dean of the College of Social Sciences

It is with pleasure that I announce the appointment of Dr. Timothy Hegstrom as Dean of the College of Social Sciences. Dr. Hegstrom has served as the Interim Dean since June 2004 and was the Associate Dean of that college for two years prior to that. He holds the rank of professor of Communication Studies and was chair of that department from 1993 through 1997. He began his career at San José State University as a Lecturer in 1984 and was appointed as an Associate Professor in 1988. He began his service on the SJSU Academic Senate in 1992 and later represented our campus on the CSU system-wide Senate. His contributions to our university throughout his long affiliation have been extensive and varied.

Dr. Hegstrom earned his B.A. in Rhetoric and Public Address from Brigham Young University, his M.A. from the University of Montana and his Ph.D. from the University of Colorado. Prior to his appointment at SJSU, Dr. Hegstrom served for 17 years as a faculty member and department chair at West Valley College in Saratoga, CA.

Dr. Hegstrom presents an extensive and impressive scholarly record with numerous publications which date back to 1975 in the United States and Europe. His most recent contributions during this century have been published in Germany and Finland. His professional contributions are also international, as well as national in nature. He has been busy as a conference presenter throughout the U.S., Canada and Europe. He offers an outstanding reputation as a consultant and trainer in organizational and managerial communications to industries throughout California.

I hope that all will join me in wishing Dr. Hegstrom well as he works to move the College of Social Sciences forward.

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