City College Board Vice President Dr. Natalie Berg named one of ‘Bay Area’s 100 Most Influential Women’

SAN FRANCISCO, California, May 5, 2005 — Dr. Natalie Berg, Vice President of the Board of Trustees of City College of San Francisco, has been honored by the San Francisco Business Times in this year’s listing of “The 100 Most Influential Women in the Bay Area.” Dr. Berg will receive her award at a special evening dinner on May 12 at the San Francisco Hilton.

This publication lists women in Bay Area businesses and the public arena who have forged their own paths and developed their own leadership principles. It honors women at the levers of power at the biggest and most important organizations. Nominations are submitted by their peers and others who have judged these women as outstanding leaders and role models with a wide range of influence.

Dr. Berg was elected to the Community College Board in November 1996 and reelected in 2000 and 2004. She has served the Board as its President in 1997 and 2001.

Prior to her service on the Board, Dr. Berg had served City College of San Francisco in a number of faculty and administrative capacities spanning 30 years. She retired as Dean of the John Adams Campus and the School of Health and Physical Education, a post to which she was appointed in 1991.

From 1967 through 1976, Dr. Berg was an instructor in English, English as a Second Language, History and Civics. In 1976 she was appointed administrative assistant to the President of the Community College Centers Division, and in 1977 to administrative assistant to the Vice Chancellor, Personnel. In 1980 she was named Coordinator, Personnel Relations, and in 1984 became the Director, Employee Relations.

Dr. Berg earned her Ed.D. degree in Community College Administration/Curriculum from Nova University, Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Her MA degree is in Educational Administration/College Finance from San Francisco State University. She holds a BA in Economics from UC Berkeley.

Her professional affiliations include the American Association of Women in Community and Junior Colleges, and the Association of Community College Administrators.

She is President of the Jewish Community Relations Council, Vice President of the Market Street Association, Board Member of the Northern California American Israel Public Affairs Council and President of the Yerba Buena Alliance. Active in the community, she is a member of the Haight Ashbury Neighborhood Association.

She is married to Peter M. Finnegan, a former member and president of the City College Board of Trustees.