

# LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

### MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, January 14, 2009 • 12:30 p.m.  
Educational Services Center • Board Room – First Floor  
770 Wilshire Blvd. • Los Angeles, California 90017

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles Community College District was called to order at 12:30 p.m. with President Kelly G. Candaele presiding.

On roll call the following members were present: Kelly G. Candaele, Mona Field, Georgia L. Mercer, and Miguel Santiago. Absent: Nancy Pearlman (arrived at 12:40 p.m.), Angela J. Reddock (arrived at 12:40 p.m.), and Sylvia Scott-Hayes (arrived at 12:40 p.m.). Student Trustee Rose Bustos was not present (arrived at 3:15 p.m.).

Chancellor Marshall E. Drummond was present.

#### REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES – CLOSED SESSION AGENDA MATTERS

None.

#### RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

During the Closed Session, the Board will also discuss an allegation of discrimination at Los Angeles Mission College.

Motion by Trustee Santiago, seconded by Trustee Mercer, to recess to Closed Session in accordance with The Ralph M. Brown Act and the Education Code. The Board will discuss the matters on the Closed Session agenda as posted and announced (see Attachment A).

*APPROVED:* 4 Ayes

The regular meeting recessed to Closed Session at 12:31 p.m.

(Trustees Pearlman, Reddock, and Scott-Hayes arrived at 12:40 p.m.)  
(Student Trustee Bustos arrived at 3:15 p.m.)

#### RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles Community College District reconvened at 3:30 p.m. with President Kelly G. Candaele presiding.

On roll call the following members were present: Kelly G. Candaele, Mona Field, Georgia L. Mercer, Nancy Pearlman, Angela J. Reddock, and Sylvia Scott-Hayes. Absent: Miguel Santiago (arrived at 4:10 p.m.). Student Trustee Rose Bustos was present.

#### FLAG SALUTE

Trustee Mercer led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Trustee Field, seconded by Trustee Mercer, to approve the following minutes:

Regular Meeting and Closed Session – November 19, 2008

*APPROVED:* 6 Ayes

## REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES OF EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS AT THE RESOURCE TABLE

No reports.

## PUBLIC AGENDA REQUESTS (CATEGORY A)

### Oral Presentations

Motion by Trustee Field, seconded by Trustee Mercer, to allocate two minutes per speaker on the topic of a Cinema class at Los Angeles Trade-Technical College (LATTC).

*APPROVED: 6 Ayes*

President Candaele requested that Dr. Roland Chapdelaine, President, LATTC, provide introductory remarks regarding this topic.

Dr. Chapdelaine indicated that the topic is regarding the cancellation of Cinema classes at LATTC. He stated that the Cinema classes are not transferable. The long-term goal is to develop a Cinema program that deals with the industry standards and needs. The cancellation of these classes is based upon the budget and the decision not to invest in Cinema classes that do not lead to an Associate degree or a certificate.

The following individuals addressed the Board regarding the cancellation of the Cinema 5 class at LATTC:

Ms. Marlene McKenzie, Ms. Loshall Wilson, Professor Joseph Auciello, Ms. Monika Smith, Mr. Kevin Bell, Dr. Freddie McClain, Mr. Giles Spencer, and Mr. Juan Carlos Guillen.

The following scheduled speakers were not present:

Mr. Frank Morales, Mr. Dennis Conrad, Mr. Antwquan Brandon, Ms. Tocara McPherson, Ms. Sophia Jackson, Mr. Anthony Collier, and Mr. Ethan Burrall.

Trustee Field encouraged the students to address their concerns to the state legislators.

Trustee Scott-Hayes requested that information be provided to the students regarding Cinema classes that are offered at other LACCD colleges.

President Candaele indicated that the Board will take the information provided by the students under advisement and do whatever it can to help the students achieve their educational goals.

Dr. Chapdelaine indicated that the Cinema 5 class will be placed in the archive for further review. He stated that he would meet with the students to address their concerns.

### Proposed Actions

None.

## REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES – MULTIPLE AGENDA MATTERS

None.

## REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE BOARD

The following reports to the governing board of the Los Angeles Community College District, considered as a part as if fully set forth hereto and certified copies of which are on file in the Office of the Board of Trustees, were presented by the Board of Trustees and action taken as indicated.

Report on Actions Taken in Closed Session – January 14, 2009

President Candaele indicated that The Ralph M. Brown Act requires that certain matters determined in Closed Session be reported during the public session that follows.

The Board unanimously authorized the Office of General Counsel to file an amicus brief in the case of *Martinez v. Regents, et al.*

The Board took no further actions that The Ralph M. Brown Act requires to be reported.

Reports of Standing and Special Committees

No reports.

Com. No. BT1. Black History Month

Motion by Trustee Reddock, seconded by Trustee Field, to adopt Com. No. BT1. as follows:

The following resolution is presented by Trustees Field and Reddock:

The month of February is officially designated as Black History Month.

WHEREAS, For more than 400, years the presence of African-Americans in the United States has had an undeniable and profound impact upon its cultural, political, and social institutions; and

WHEREAS, For over 30 million people of African-American descent, the designation and observation of February as Black History Month represents the nation's acknowledgment of the contributions and continuing role of African-Americans within the United States; and

WHEREAS, Central to the role and history of African-Americans is the acquisition of a thorough and meaningful education which will provide the tools to design and control their own destiny, both economic and political; and

WHEREAS, Current figures and statistics indicate that there are still some challenges to sustaining enrollments of African-American students attending educational institutions, both pre- and postsecondary; and

WHEREAS, The "avenue of equal opportunity access to education" has been the basic premise around which the community colleges of California have acquired support and credibility; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles Community College District reaffirms its commitment to egalitarian principles inherent within the term "community colleges" by supporting and enhancing those services, programs, and courses which will encourage African-Americans and other ethnic groups to enroll and attain their identified goals; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles Community College District joins with the nation in celebrating February as Black History Month and encourages the District colleges and student organizations to promote cultural awareness by featuring various programs, exhibits, and other relevant activities and by participating in events sponsored by local communities.

*Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Aye (Bustos)*  
*ADOPTED: 6 Ayes*

Com. No. BT2. Resolution – Lunar New Year

Motion by Trustee Field, seconded by Trustee Pearlman, to adopt Com No. BT2. as follows:

The following resolution is presented by Trustees Santiago and Reddock:

- WHEREAS, February ushers in the Lunar New Year of 4707 – the Year of the Ox; and
- WHEREAS, People born in the Year of the Ox are leaders and are patient, precise, and strong; and
- WHEREAS, The Lunar New Year is of great significance and represents a major celebration for China and other Asian people throughout the world; and
- WHEREAS, The Lunar New Year represents a number of important traditional social and cultural events, many of which have become customary to observe in the United States; and
- WHEREAS, Immigration from Asian nations continues to be a source of population growth in the United States and provides a significant increase in the student population of the Los Angeles Community College District; and
- WHEREAS, The celebration of the Lunar New Year is an occasion of reflection and thanksgiving; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles Community College District does hereby offer its best wishes to all its students, staff, and constituents who observe the Lunar New Year; and be it further
- RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles Community College District encourages District colleges and student organizations to join the Lunar New Year celebration and promote cultural awareness by sponsoring art exhibits and cultural events and activities as well as by participating in the celebration of events sponsored by the colleges' local communities.

*Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Aye (Bustos)*

*ADOPTED: 6 Ayes*

**REPORTS FROM THE CHANCELLOR AND COLLEGE PRESIDENTS**

The following reports to the governing board of the Los Angeles Community College District, considered as a part as if fully set forth hereto and certified copies of which are on file in the Office of the Board of Trustees, were presented by Chancellor Drummond and action taken as indicated.

Chancellor Drummond introduced Dr. Lawrence Bradford, newly appointed Vice President, Academic Affairs, LATTC.

Dr. Bradford expressed his appreciation for the welcome and indicated that he looks forward to working with Dr. Chapdelaine on moving LATTC into the new millennium.

(Trustee Santiago arrived at 4:10 p.m.)

**CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS**

Matters Requiring a Majority Vote

President Candaele entertained a motion to adopt the Consent Calendar Items as amended on Matters Requiring a Majority Vote, with the limitation that the Student Trustee's vote shall not apply to HRD1., ISD1., ISD2., and the Correspondence.

Motion by Trustee Scott-Hayes, seconded by Trustee Mercer, to adopt the Consent Calendar Items as amended on Matters Requiring a Majority Vote.

The Trustees discussed the following Consent Calendar items:

Com. No. BF1. Budget and Finance Routine Report

Com. No. BF2. Amend Board Rules 7503.10 Standard Mileage Rates and 10711. Transportation Cost

Com. No. BSD1. Business Services Routine Report

With respect to Roman Numeral III. Authorize Service Agreement as it relates to an agreement with Cassidy & Associates, Inc. to provide the District with long-range planning for organizational and institutional development, Trustee Field inquired as to the experience/background of the firm.

Chancellor Drummond deferred to Mr. Marvin Martinez, Vice Chancellor, Economic and Workforce Development.

Mr. Martinez distributed copies of a document entitled "Federal Government Relations and Advocacy," which includes information regarding the experience and background of Cassidy & Associates. He indicated that the firm has a great deal of experience in working with institutions of higher education including community colleges and stated that he would closely monitor the firm's activities.

Chancellor Drummond indicated that he would report back to the Board regarding the results of the agreement.

Trustee Reddock requested that arrangements be made for the Legislative Affairs Committee to meet with representatives of Cassidy & Associates and that the firm be asked to provide a legislative agenda as to what they plan to pursue in Washington, DC with respect to assisting the District's efforts to obtain additional federal funding in order to further its educational mission and goals in serving its students.

With respect to Roman Numeral IV. Ratify Service Agreement as it relates to an agreement with Health and Human Resources Center, Inc., doing business as Horizon Health EAP-Behavioral Services, for administration of the District's Employee Assistance Program (EAP), Trustee Field expressed her appreciation to the Joint Labor Management Benefits Committee (JLMBC) for overseeing the programs that contribute towards improving the health and welfare of District employees and their families.

Com. No. BSD2. Ratifications for Business Services

Com. No. FPD1. Facilities Planning and Development Routine Report

With respect to Roman Numeral II. Authorize Amendment to Professional Services Agreements Item E. as it relates to an amendment to an agreement with Recycling Strategies to provide management and coordination services to implement solid waste recycling recommendations, Trustee Field inquired if this program will be self-funded through savings on landfill and trash costs.

Mr. Larry Eisenberg, Executive Director, Facilities Planning and Development, responded that funds from Measure J are being used to initiate the program. The savings will occur during the operation of the program.

Student Trustee Bustos requested that some of the funds be used to train the people who work with the recyclable items as to the proper placement of recyclable and non-recyclable items.

Mr. Eisenberg indicated that the agreement provides for this training.

With respect to Roman Numeral II. Item G. as it relates to an amendment to an agreement with PV Jobs to provide additional professional services Districtwide, Trustee Field expressed her appreciation to PV Jobs for the services they have been providing to the District.

With respect to Roman Numeral II. Item C. as it relates to a revision to the existing agreements with College Project Management (CPM) firms, Trustee Scott-Hayes requested that an effort be made to contract with new firms to perform the CPM services for the District.

Trustee Reddock concurred with Trustee Scott-Hayes' recommendation to provide opportunities to new firms to serve the District in this capacity.

With respect to Roman Numeral I. Authorize Professional Services Agreements Item A. as it relates to an agreement with Steinberg Architects to provide design and construction administration services for the MLK Library project and design services for the Health, Fitness, PE Building and Site Utilities Infrastructure projects at Los Angeles City College (LACC), Trustee Mercer indicated that according to the background, the Health, Fitness, and PE Building project was not originally designed to meet LEED™ certification requirements. She inquired as to how this happened.

Dr. Jamillah Moore, President, LACC, responded that the design of this project was started prior to 2001 before Propositions A and AA were approved.

With respect to Roman Numeral I. Item F. as it relates to an agreement with BASE Architecture to provide architectural design services for the J – Swimming Pool Canopy project at Los Angeles Southwest College (LASC), Trustee Mercer inquired as to why a five-year contract is required to design a canopy.

Mr. Eisenberg responded that the canopy is a rigid fabric structure that needs to be structurally stable. The purpose of the canopy is to keep birds out of the swimming pool. The project involves taking the water out of the pool and putting in clean water, which is an extensive process.

President Candaele requested that Mr. Eisenberg present a report at a future Board meeting regarding soft costs and hard costs with respect to the Bond projects.

Chancellor Drummond indicated that Mr. Eisenberg would present this report in March 2009.

Com. No. FPD2. Amend Board Rule to Include Measure J Program

With respect to Board Rule 17000. Establishment of Oversight Committee, Trustee Field requested that the Board be provided with lists of the current members of the District Citizens' Oversight Committee and the individual colleges' Oversight Committees.

Mr. Eisenberg indicated that he would provide these lists.

Com. No. FPD4. Master Procurement Agreement for Lockers

Com. No. FPD5. Ratify an Emergency Resolution for Removal of Discovered Hazardous Material at Building A, Los Angeles Trade-Technical College

Com. No. FPD7. Master Procurement for Apple Computers

President Candaele noted that Com. No. FPD7. has been revised as follows:

Authorize a Master Procurement Agreement with Apple, Inc. from January 15, 2009 through January 14, 2012, ~~which allows LACCD to access the lowest available education/state & local government prices for Apple products.~~

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Background: This agreement is the result of ~~a formal request for proposals process~~ formal competitive bidding. Only one submission was received. It was evaluated and found responsive. Authorization of this agreement will allow the District to make procurements directly with Apple, Inc. at the lowest available educational/state & local government rate. Additionally, Apple, Inc. has agreed to participate in the District's two percent (2%) rebate program and extend an "AppleCare Protection Plan" to all products purchased. Funding is through Proposition A/AA and Measure J Bond proceeds. Districtwide Apple, ~~Computers Inc.~~ 20D.7055.05.15. Construction Phase.

Com. No. HRD1. Personnel Services Routine Actions

Com. No. ISD1. Approval of Student Travel

Com. No. ISD2. Student Discipline – Expulsion Subject to Reconsideration

Accept Recommended Disposition of Correspondence

*Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Aye (Bustos)*

*The Student Trustee's vote shall not apply to HRD1., ISD1., ISD2., and the Correspondence.*

*ADOPTED AS AMENDED: 7 Ayes*

Matters Requiring a Super Majority Vote

Com. No. FPD3. Authorize a Sublease Agreement

Motion by Trustee Field, seconded by Trustee Pearlman, to adopt Com. No. FPD3.

With respect to the sublease agreement between the LACC Foundation and First Class Vending, Inc. for the lease of property at LACC to be used for the operation of a coffee and tea house, Ms. Velma Butler, President, AFT College Staff Guild, expressed her concern that this facility needs to be staffed by District classified employees.

Trustee Field inquired as to whether a portion of the revenue from the coffee and tea house would go back to the LACC Foundation.

Mr. David Ambroz, Executive Director, LACC Foundation, responded in the affirmative. He indicated that most of the profits would be used for scholarships.

*Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Aye (Bustos)*

*ADOPTED: 7 Ayes*

Com. No. FPD6. Authorize a Lease Agreement with the Los Angeles Unified School District for a Permanent Location of the Middle College High School Facility on the Campus of Los Angeles Southwest College for a Period of Forty (40) Years

President Candaele indicated that Com. No. FPD6. has been withdrawn.

Chancellor Drummond inquired as to the status of the project.

Ms. Camille Goulet, General Counsel, discussed the background of the agreement that was negotiated with the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) on February 27, 2008 to construct the Middle College High School (MCHS) at Los Angeles Southwest College (LASC). She indicated that the facility will not be ready to open as originally scheduled.

**Withdrawn.**

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE CHANCELLOR

Com. No. CH1. Approve Accreditation Self-Study Recommendations

Motion by Trustee Field, seconded by Trustee Scott-Hayes, to adopt Com. No. CH1.

*Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Ayes (Bustos)*

*ADOPTED: 7 Ayes*

NOTICE REPORTS AND INFORMATIVES

None.

PUBLIC AGENDA REQUESTS (Category B)

Oral Presentations

None.

Proposed Actions

None.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INDICATIONS OF FUTURE PROPOSED ACTIONS**

Trustee Mercer announced that the Community College League of California Annual Legislative Conference is scheduled for January 25-26, 2009 in Sacramento, California.

President Candaele announced that a viewing of the Presidential Inauguration will be held at LATTC on Tuesday, January 20, 2009.

Dr. Linda Spink, President, Los Angeles Harbor College (LAHC), announced that a ribbon-cutting ceremony for two new buildings will be held on Wednesday, January 21, 2009. Assembly Member Warren Furutani will be a featured speaker during the ribbon-cutting ceremony.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Trustee Field, seconded by Trustee Mercer, to adjourn.

Without objection, so ordered.

The regular meeting adjourned at 5:17 p.m.

MARSHALL E. DRUMMOND  
Chancellor and Secretary of the Board of Trustees

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Laurie Green for Guadalupe M. Orozco  
Assistant Secretary to the Board

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

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Kelly G. Candaele  
President of the Board

Date April 15, 2009