

# LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

### MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, January 24, 2007 • 12:30 p.m.  
Pierce College • Campus Center  
6201 Winnetka Avenue • Woodland Hills, California 91371

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 Michael D. Waxman presiding.

On roll call the following members were present: Kelly G. Candaele, Mona Field, Georgia L. Mercer, Nancy Pearlman, Sylvia Scott-Hayes, and Michael D. Waxman. Absent: Warren T. Furutani (arrived at 4:34 p.m.) Student Trustee Luis Gomez was not present (arrived at 2:30 p.m.).

Chancellor Darroch F. Young was present.

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

President Waxman stated that in accordance with The Ralph M. Brown Act, Ms. Carlita Dorsey and Ms. Caritia Hughes, permanent classified employees assigned to the Los Angeles Community College District, Human Resources Office, as Senior Personnel Assistants, have requested that they be allowed to speak at the public session of the Board of Trustees. Ms. Dorsey and Ms. Hughes were present.

Mr. Michael Shanahan, Associate Vice Chancellor, Employer-Employee Relations, explained what should occur with respect to the disciplinary cases.

Ms. Camille Goulet, General Counsel, explained the process for dismissing a permanent classified employee.

Ms. Dorsey and Ms. Hughes addressed the Board regarding the charges against them. They each read a letter of apology for the incident that occurred between them, which resulted in the disciplinary action.

Ms. Sandra Lepore, Executive Secretary, AFT College Staff Guild Los Angeles, addressed the Board on behalf of Ms. Dorsey and Ms. Hughes. She requested that the Board reconsider the dismissal action and consider a lesser form of discipline for both employees.

Ms. Velma Butler, President, AFT College Staff Guild Los Angeles, addressed the Board on behalf of Ms. Dorsey and Ms. Hughes. She indicated that both of these employees have admitted their wrongdoing and requested that they be allowed to remain as District employees.

### RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Trustee Scott-Hayes, seconded by Trustee Field, 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).

Without objection, so ordered.

*APPROVED:* 6 Ayes

The regular meeting recessed to Closed Session at 12:51 p.m.

(Student Trustee Gomez arrived at 2:30 p.m.)

## **RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles Community College District reconvened at 3:38 p.m. with President Michael D. Waxman presiding.

On roll call the following members were present: Kelly G. Candaele, Mona Field, Warren T. Furutani, Georgia L. Mercer, Nancy Pearlman, Sylvia Scott-Hayes, and Michael D. Waxman. Student Trustee Luis Gomez was present.

Chancellor Darroch F. Young was present.

Trustee Candaele offered the Opening Thoughts.

Student Trustee Gomez led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **WELCOMING REMARKS**

Mr. Robert Garber, President, Pierce College, introduced the following individuals from Pierce College:

Dr. Joy McCaslin, Vice President, Student Services; Mr. Nabil Abu-Ghazaleh, Vice President, Academic Affairs; Mr. Tom Rosdahl, newly elected Academic Senate President; Dr. William deRubertis, AFT Chapter President; Mr. Lawrence Andre, Chair, Pierce College Council; Ms. Marian Prochter, AFT Staff Chairperson; Mr. Larry Kraus, Enterprise Manager; and Mr. Paul Nieman, Plant Facilities.

Mr. Garber expressed his appreciation to Mr. Kraus, Mr. Nieman, and the Plant Facilities Department for their efforts in preparing for today's Board meeting. He announced that Pierce College will be celebrating its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year.

Mr. Garber discussed the project to remove the bungalows from the campus and replace them with state-of-the-art facilities.

Mr. Garber introduced community members Mrs. Shirley Blessing and Mr. Robert Blessing and expressed his appreciation for their many years of support for the college. He introduced Mr. Abraham White, ASO President.

Mr. White discussed various student issues and projects including the CALPIRG New Voters Project, Red Cross blood drives, solutions to the high costs of textbooks, a recycling program on campus, awareness of global warming, and the effort to make college affordable to students nationwide.

## **MINUTES**

Motion by Trustee Scott-Hayes, seconded by Trustee Field, to approve the following minutes:

Regular Meeting and Closed Session – January 10, 2007

*APPROVED: 6 Ayes*

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

The following individuals presented reports:

Mr. Reginald McCoy, President, Local 347; Ms. Velma Butler, President, AFT College Staff Guild Los Angeles; and Mr. Carl Friedlander, President, Los Angeles College Faculty Guild.

With respect to the remarks by Ms. Butler regarding the need to review specialized classifications before they are approved, Chancellor Young indicated that the Vice Presidents and the Chancellor's Cabinet have been discussing the topic both in terms of the specific position and the process in which it is presented to the Personnel Commission.

Mr. Friedlander discussed the efforts to obtain the necessary petition signatures needed to qualify the California Community College Initiative for the ballot. He expressed his appreciation to everyone who assisted in the effort.

Trustee Mercer expressed her appreciation to Mr. Friedlander and Chancellor Young for their leadership efforts with respect to the Initiative.

Student Trustee Gomez expressed his appreciation to Mr. Friedlander.

## **PUBLIC AGENDA REQUESTS (CATEGORY A)**

### **Oral Presentations**

The following individuals addressed the Board with their concerns regarding the closing of the Pierce College Equestrian Center:

Ms. Mary Kaufman, Ms. L. J. Pope, Ms. Sara Gilman, and Dr. Donna Chidekel.

Mr. Garber explained the decision that was made to close the Equestrian Center. He indicated that the Equestrian Center was not generating revenue for the college.

There was discussion regarding the possibility of constructing a new Equestrian Center and bringing back the Horse Science Program.

Dr. Susana de la Peña addressed the Board with her concerns regarding her not being paid.

(Trustee Furutani arrived at 4:34 p.m.)

Scheduled speaker Mr. Jesse Martinez was not present.

Professor Chuck Dirks addressed the Board regarding Los Angeles Mission College with respect to its commitment to education.

Ms. Bianca Bazil addressed the Board regarding the LACC Campus Climate Challenge. She discussed an upcoming event at LACC that will address issues such as the need for a recycling program on the campus and the global warming crisis. She indicated that this event is scheduled to be held toward the end of February and invitations will be sent out when the date is finalized.

### **Proposed Actions**

Mr. Duke Russell addressed the Board requesting that they use eminent domain and Proposition AA money to buy out the LACC golf driving range lease.

## **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 of Actions Taken in Closed Session – January 24, 2007

President Waxman indicated that the Board is required under The Ralph M. Brown Act to report certain matters decided in the Closed Session during the public session that follows.

The Board took no actions required to be reported out under The Ralph M. Brown Act.

Reports of Standing and Special Committees

Trustee Candaele reported on this morning's Budget and Finance Committee meeting at which there were presentations regarding historic tax credit, energy strategy plans, and building recognition plaques.

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Trustee Scott-Hayes reported on this morning's External Affairs Committee meeting at which there were presentations regarding the development of a newly designed Proposition A/AA website to be named "LACCD Builds Green."

Com. No. BT1. Trustee Authorizations

Motion by Trustee Scott-Hayes, seconded by Trustee Field, to adopt Com. No. BT1. as follows:

I. AUTHORIZATION TO INCREASE STUDENT TRUSTEE TRAVEL ALLOCATION

- A. Student Trustee Luis Gomez was allocated \$1,875 for the 2006-2007 fiscal year. His current balance is \$535.94. Student Trustee Gomez is requesting an increase in allocation in the amount of \$500 so that he can attend one day (Sunday, January 28, 2007) of the Community College League of California 2007 Annual Legislative Conference and participate in meetings with Legislators on Monday, January 29, 2007.

Background: The Board has already authorized Student Trustee Gomez to participate in meetings with Legislators scheduled for Monday, January 29, 2007 at the regularly scheduled Board meeting of January 10, 2007 for which there is sufficient funding. The additional funding will pay for the conference registration fee for one day, hotel accommodations, and other necessary amenities (meals, transportation costs, etc.).

II. CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE AUTHORIZATION

- A. Authorize payment of necessary expenses for Luis Gomez, student member of this Board of Trustees, to attend the Community College League of California 2007 Legislative Conference being held in January 28-29, 2007 in Sacramento, California.

*Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Aye (Gomez)*

*ADOPTED: 7 Ayes*

Com. No. BT2. Conference Attendance Authorization

Motion by Trustee Scott-Hayes, seconded by Trustee Field, to adopt Com. No. BT2. as follows:

Authorize payment of necessary expenses for Kelly G. Candaele, member of this Board of Trustees, to attend meetings with Legislators to be held on Monday, January 29, 2007 in Sacramento, California.

*Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Aye (Gomez)*

*ADOPTED: 7 Ayes*

Com. No. BT3. Resolution – District Classified Employees Retirement

Motion by Trustee Furutani, seconded by Trustee Mercer, to adopt Com. No. BT3. as follows:

- WHEREAS, The classified employees identified below have been with the Los Angeles Community College District for many years; and
- WHEREAS, These classified employees have contributed significantly toward providing the highest quality of services to our students and the public on behalf of the Los Angeles Community College District; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the Personnel Commission and the Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles Community College District do hereby commend the employees for their contributions and extend best wishes in their retirement.

SUMMARY OF RETIRED CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES  
December 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006  
Exhibit A

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	JOB CLASSIFICATION	YEARS OF SERVICE	LOCATION
1 Hill	Frankie	Physical Education/Athletics Facilities Asst.	36	Trade
2 Den Bleyker	Charles	Performing Arts Technician	36	City
3 Pfankuchen	Gary	Maintenance Assistant	35	Valley
4 Geismar	Elaine	Community Services Specialist	33	City
5 Tilley	Judith	Office Supervisor	32	Trade
6 Michelson	Iola	Accounting Supervisor	30	West
7 Powell	Lagrand	College Financial Administrator	29	Pierce
8 Murayama	Atsuko	Admissions and Records Assistant	29	Pierce
9 Piegonski	Fred	Executive Assistant to the President	29	City
10 Conrad	Steven	Locksmith	28	Valley
11 Saldick	Charlotte	Bookstore Manager	27	Mission
12 Harris	Djessica	Secretary	24	Southwest
13 Barron	Shirley	Senior Office Assistant	18	Pierce
14 Antoniadis	Anita	Administrative Secretary	14	Pierce
15 Slawinski	William	Electronics Technician	11	City
16 Kostenbauder	Robert	Instructional Assistant, Photography	10	City
17 Oliver	Timothy	Vice President, Administrative Services	7	Pierce

*Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Aye (Gomez)*  
*ADOPTED: 7 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 Young and action taken as indicated.

No reports.

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## RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE CHANCELLOR

President Waxman requested that Com. No. FPD2. Certify Environmental Impact Report and Adopt Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the Los Angeles Mission College Facilities Master Plan, Com. No. FPD3. Approve Los Angeles Mission College Facilities Master Plan, and Com. No. FPD4. Declare Zoning Exemption for Los Angeles Mission College be taken out of order.

There being no objection, Com. Nos. FPD2., FPD3., and FPD4. were taken out of order.

The following individuals addressed the Board regarding Com. Nos. FPD2., FPD3., and FPD4. as they relate to the LAMC Environmental Impact Report and Facilities Master Plan:

Mr. Gary Prostack, Mr. Anthony Taylor, Mrs. Ellie Brooks, Mrs. Lois Fife, and Ms. Leslie Milke.

Com. No. FPD2. Certify Environmental Impact Report and Adopt Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the Los Angeles Mission College Facilities Master Plan

Com. No. FPD3. Approve Los Angeles Mission College Facilities Master Plan

Com. No. FPD4. Declare Zoning Exemption for Los Angeles Mission College

Mr. Larry Eisenberg, Executive Director, Facilities Planning and Development, deferred to Mr. Edward Szczepkowski and Mr. Dev Vrat to respond to legal issues and other issues that have been identified with respect to the Environmental Impact Report (EIR).

Mr. Eisenberg, Mr. Szczepkowski, and Mr. Vrat addressed various issues with respect to the LAMC EIR and Facilities Master Plan including traffic mitigation, zoning, and property acquisition.

President Waxman expressed his appreciation to the public speakers for attending the Board meeting and supporting the college.

There was discussion regarding the formal public hearings that have been held regarding the LAMC EIR and the process for conducting these hearings.

Motion by Trustee Scott-Hayes, seconded by Trustee Field, to adopt Com. Nos. FPD2., FPD3., and FPD4.

*Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Aye (Gomez)*

*ADOPTED: 7 Ayes*

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(Trustee Field left at 5:42 p.m.)

## CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

### Matters Requiring a Majority Vote

President Waxman relinquished the gavel to Vice President Scott-Hayes.

(Trustee Waxman left at 5:43 p.m.)

Vice President Scott-Hayes inquired if the Trustees have items that need clarification or separation for the vote.

The Trustees discussed the following Consent Calendar agenda items:

Com. No. BF1. Budget and Finance Routine Report

Com. No. BF2. Receipt of Annual General Obligation Bond Financial and Performance Audits

Com. No. BF3. Adopt Nonresident Tuition

Com. No. BSD1. Business Services Routine Report

Com. No. BSD2. Ratifications for Business Services and Facilities Planning

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

Com. No. HRD1. Personnel Services Routine Actions

Dr. Adriana Barrera, Senior Vice Chancellor, noted the following amendment:

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~~II. THE DISMISSAL OF PERMANENT CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES~~

~~A. The dismissal of classified employee (EN779763), assigned to Salary Evaluations and Selection Unit, Human Resources in the Los Angeles Community College District as a permanent Senior Personnel Assistant, is based on the following causes:~~

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~~B. The dismissal of classified employee (EN771026), assigned to Salary Evaluations and Selection Unit, Human Resources in the Los Angeles Community College District as a permanent Senior Personnel Assistant, is based on the following causes:~~

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**Withdrawn.**

Com. No. HRD2. Extend Contracts for Interim President Assignments

Com. No. ISD1. Amend Board Rule 8100, 8100.01, 8100.02, 8100.04

With respect to these Board Rules as they relate to admission to a community college, Vice President Scott-Hayes inquired as to how the process for admission to a community college can be made easier.

Mr. John Clerx, Associate Vice Chancellor, Instructional and Student Support Services, responded that these admission requirements are mainly for young students in grades K-12 in order to ensure a positive learning experience. They are not intended to make the process more complicated for older students.

Com. No. ISD2. Amend Board Rule 8603

Com. No. ISD3. Amend Board Rule 2309.30

Com. No. ISD4. Approval of Noncredit Courses

Com. No. ISD5. Authorize the Waiver of Nonresident Tuition

Trustee Mercer expressed her appreciation to Pierce College for its past efforts to have the Board authorize the waiver of nonresident tuition fees. She indicated that one of the students who benefited was an Afghani woman who enrolled at California State University, Berkeley following her graduation from Pierce College.

Com. No. PC1. Personnel Commission Action

Accept Recommended Disposition of Correspondence

(Trustee Waxman returned at 5:48 p.m.)

Vice President Scott-Hayes relinquished the gavel to President Waxman.

President Waxman 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., HRD2., PC1., and the Correspondence.

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

*Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Aye (Gomez)*  
*ADOPTED AS AMENDED: 6 Ayes*

Matters Requiring a Super Majority Vote

None.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE CHANCELLOR

Com. No. CH1. Adopt the District Strategic Plan, 2006-2011

Chancellor Young indicated that this is the action to formally adopt the LACCD Strategic Plan.

Motion by Trustee Furutani, seconded by Trustee Mercer, to adopt Com. No. CH1.

President Waxman expressed his appreciation to Chancellor Young; Mr. Gary Colombo, Dean, Strategic Planning; and the members of the Strategic Planning Committee for their efforts.

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

NOTICE REPORTS AND INFORMATIVES

Com. No. CH/A. Notice Report – Amend Board Rule 1200 and 1201

Noticed by Chancellor Young.

Com. No. ISD/A. Informative – Notification of Student Travel

Com. No. ISD/B. Informative – Notification of Student Travel

Presented by Chancellor Young.

PUBLIC AGENDA REQUESTS (Category B)

Oral Presentations

None.

Proposed Actions

None.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INDICATIONS OF FUTURE PROPOSED ACTIONS**

Student Trustee Gomez announced that the next Student Affairs Committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, January 26, 2007 at 9 a.m.

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Trustee Mercer announced that some of the Board members will be attending the Community College League of California 2007 Legislative Conference that is being held this weekend in Sacramento and will attend meetings with Legislators on Monday, January 29, 2007.

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Dr. Tyree Wieder, President, LAVC, announced that a "topping" ceremony for the LAVC Allied Health and Science Center will be held on Wednesday, January 31, 2007.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being objection, the regular meeting was adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

DARROCH F. YOUNG  
Chancellor and Secretary of the Board of Trustees

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Laurie Green  
Assistant Secretary to the Board

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

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Michael D. Waxman  
President of the Board

Date \_\_\_\_\_ February 7, 2007