

LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, November 7, 2007 • 1:00 p.m.
East Los Angeles College • Student Center
1301 Avenida Cesar Chavez • Monterey Park, California 91754

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles Community College District was called to order at 1:14 p.m. with President Sylvia Scott-Hayes presiding.

On roll call the following members were present: Kelly G. Candaele, Mona Field, Warren T. Furutani, Georgia L. Mercer, Nancy Pearlman, Angela J. Reddock, and Sylvia Scott-Hayes. Student Trustee Eva Jackson was not present (arrived at 2:30 p.m.).

Chancellor Marshall E. Drummond was present.

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

Scheduled speaker Mr. Ronald Lee Carroll was not present.

For the record, Ms. Camille Goulet, General Counsel, noted that the Board waited until 1:15 p.m. in order to give the speaker an opportunity to arrive.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Trustee Pearlman, 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).

APPROVED: 7 Ayes

The regular meeting recessed to Closed Session at 1:15 p.m.

(Student Trustee Jackson 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 Sylvia Scott-Hayes presiding.

On roll call the following members were present: Kelly G. Candaele, Mona Field, Warren T. Furutani, Georgia L. Mercer, Nancy Pearlman, Angela J. Reddock, and Sylvia Scott-Hayes. Student Trustee Eva Jackson was present.

Chancellor Marshall E. Drummond was present.

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

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WELCOMING REMARKS

Mr. Robert Isomoto, Interim President, ELAC, welcomed the Trustees to the college. He introduced the following individuals from ELAC:

Ms. Rose Bustos, ASU President; Mr. Alex Immerblum, Academic Senate President; Ms. Evelyn Escatiola, AFT Chapter President; Mr. Danny Telles, AFT Staff Chairperson; Mr. Oscar Valeriano, Interim Vice President, Student Services; Mr. Jeremy Allred, Dean, Student Services; Dr. Kaneesha Miller, Associate Dean, Outreach and Recruitment; Ms. M. Sonia Lopez, Associate Dean, Student Activities; Ms. Danelle Fallert, Associate Dean, EOP&S; Ms. Erlinda de Ocampo, Interim Vice President, Administrative Services; Mr. Tom Furukawa, Associate Vice President, Administrative Services; Mr. Richard Guy, Facilities Manager; Mr. Gonzalo Mendoza, Information Technology Manager; Mr. John Turner, Operations Manager; Dr. Richard Moyer, Vice President, Academic Affairs; Ms. Renee Martinez, Vice President, Workforce Education; Dr. Kerrin McMahan, Interim Dean, Academic Affairs; Ms. Laura Ramirez, Interim Dean, Academic Affairs; Mr. Al Rios, Dean, Academic Affairs, South Gate Educational Center; Ms. Angelica Toledo, Associate Dean, CalWorks; Ms. Adrienne Anne Mullen, Associate Dean, Community Services; Dr. Leonor Perez, Dean, Planning; Ms. Selina Chi, Dean, Resource Development; Mr. John Rude, Associate Dean, Resource Development; Ms. Karen Rapp, Director, Art Gallery; and Ms. Gayle Brousseau, Dean, Vocational Programs.

President Scott-Hayes expressed her appreciation to Mr. Isomoto and his staff for hosting today's Board meeting.

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MINUTES

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

Regular Meeting and Closed Session – September 19, 2007
Regular Meeting and Closed Session – October 3, 2007
Regular Meeting and Closed Session – October 17, 2007

APPROVED: 7 Ayes

REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES OF EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS AT THE RESOURCE TABLE

Mr. Frank Torres, Lobbyist, SEIU Local 99, acknowledged Mr. Filiberto Barajas, Plant Facilities, ELAC, for being an active member of SEIU Local 99 for almost 25 years.

Ms. Bustos welcomed the Trustees to the college. She indicated that the ASO/ASU Presidents are involved in the following upcoming Districtwide activities:

Voter registration project with a goal of registering 250 students at each campus
Serving dinner to underprivileged families on Thanksgiving
Attending the California Community Colleges Student Affairs Association Fall General Assembly on November 9-11, 2007

Ms. Bustos expressed her concern regarding the high cost of college textbooks and requested that the Board members work with the Student Affairs Committee on developing possible solutions to this issue.

President Scott-Hayes commended Ms. Bustos for her leadership efforts on behalf of the students.

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PUBLIC AGENDA REQUESTS (Category B)

Oral Presentations

Mr. Dominique Rivers addressed the Board with his concerns as they relate to the investigation of illegal drug activity conducted by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department at LATTC on October 17, 2007.

President Scott-Hayes indicated that the Board will take this opportunity to address what occurred and ensure that everyone is clear with respect to the policy for conducting investigations. She introduced Los Angeles County Sheriff Leroy Baca.

Chancellor Drummond expressed his appreciation to Sheriff Baca for attending today's Board meeting.

Trustee Candaele expressed his concern regarding the incident that occurred and indicated that steps will be taken to assure that similar incidents do not happen again.

Trustee Reddock indicated that a review of the incident is being conducted and once it is completed, the Board will determine what action needs to occur to ensure that students have a positive educational experience at the community colleges.

Sheriff Baca indicated that the incident at LATTC was the result of an investigation that the Sheriff's Department engaged in due to illegal drug activity on the campus. He indicated that changes need to be made in the investigation procedures to ensure that innocent students are not subjected to any type of detainment.

President Scott-Hayes expressed her appreciation to Sheriff Baca for his willingness to work with the students to resolve these issues.

Trustee Reddock requested that the review of the incident being conducted by Sheriff Baca focus on the issue of racial profiling as well as the drug issue.

Trustee Furutani expressed his appreciation to Sheriff Baca for his efforts in resolving the situation at LATTC. He concurred with Trustee Reddock's request to focus on the issue of racial profiling and recommended that the investigation conclude with a plan of action.

Trustee Pearlman expressed her hope that these types of incidents will not happen again. She requested that the results of the investigation be made public.

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PUBLIC AGENDA REQUESTS (CATEGORY A)

Oral Presentations

Motion by Trustee Mercer, seconded by Trustee Field, to allocate two minutes each for the speakers who signed up to address the Board regarding college issues.

APPROVED: 7 Ayes

The following individuals addressed the Board regarding various issues affecting the colleges including educational issues, campus construction, and the incident at LATTC:

Mr. Felipe Aguirre, Mr. Jan Tucker, Mr. Guillermo Roacho, Mr. Vicente Rosales, Mr. Alejandro Magaña, Mr. Moises Rendon, Ms. Norma Ramirez, and Mr. David Silva Villalobos.

Scheduled speakers Ms. Maria Juarez, Mr. Jose Hernandez, and Mr. Xavier Flores were not present.

President Scott-Hayes informed the public speakers that they need to address their concerns to the President of their college—not to the Board of Trustees. She indicated that the College Presidents are responsible for working with the local community to resolve these types of issues.

Mr. Eric Valenzuela presented an update regarding CALPIRG activities on the campuses. He indicated that voter registration drives are being held at ELAC, LACC, and LAVC with a goal of registering 600 students among these three colleges. A concert will be held on November 15, 2007 from 12:00 to 1:30 p.m. at ELAC in an effort to promote the voter registration drive. He indicated that National Homelessness and Hunger Awareness Week will be held on November 11-17, 2007 and will include food drives at all nine campuses and a judo tournament fundraiser.

Ms. Allison Reid addressed the Board regarding the positive aspects of LATTC, including the ability to ride the Metro Blue Line from Long Beach to the college, the Culinary Arts Program, and the Fashion Design Program.

Proposed Actions

Com. No. 2/A. Help the next President at LACC by removing the public golf driving range approved by the Board of Trustees in 1998

Scheduled speaker Mr. Duke Russell was not present.

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 – November 7, 2007

President Scott-Hayes 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 took no actions that The Ralph M. Brown Act requires to be reported.

Reports of Standing and Special Committees

Trustee Field reported on this morning's External Affairs Committee meeting at which there was discussion regarding Instant Runoff Voting, the Consolidated College Foundations Report, the LACCD Foundation Report, and a report by MWW Group regarding groundbreaking ceremonies and other events linked to the Proposition A/AA Bond Program construction projects. She announced that President Scott-Hayes will be going to Sacramento on November 20, 2007 to accept the Governor's Environmental Leadership Award on behalf of the District. She stated that Ms. Camille Goulet, General Counsel, has provided important information with respect to the California Fair Political Practices Commission's regulation about the use of Trustees' photographs. The regulation states that the Trustees are prohibited from using public funds to promote themselves.

Com. No. BT1. Conference Attendance Authorizations

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

Trustee Field indicated that she is withdrawing Item A. because another organization will support her attendance at this conference.

~~A. Authorize payment of necessary expenses for Mona Field, member of this Board of Trustees, to attend the 15th Annual California Policy Issues Conference on November 14-15, 2007 in Los Angeles, California.~~

~~Background: This year's conference is titled "The Livable City: Shaping California's Future" and will focus on important urban development issues that include smart growth, managed development, sustainability, and social inclusivity. While infrastructure remains the focal point of the planned conversations, it is policymaking in the era of budgetary challenges, looming energy crisis, environmental challenges, and the deepening social divides that will define the framework for this all-day event.~~

Withdrawn.

B. Authorize payment of necessary expenses for Georgia L. Mercer, member of this Board of Trustees, to have attended the meeting of the California Community College Chancellor's Office Strategic Plan Implementation Oversight Committee on October 24, 2007 in Sacramento, California.

Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Aye (Jackson)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED: 7 Ayes

Com. No. BT2. Resolution – District Classified Employees Retirement

Motion by Trustee Mercer, seconded by Trustee Field, to adopt Com. No. BT2. 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 EMPLOYEE
September 1, 2007 – September 30, 2007

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	JOB CLASSIFICATION	YEARS OF SERVICE	LOCATION
1 Zinner	Betty	Library Assistant	28	East
2 Sulyok	Thomas	Instructional Assistant, Information Tech.	24	Harbor
3 Pearl	Eileen	Senior Office Assistant	19	Valley
4 Fajardo	Flavia	Secretary	7	City

Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Aye (Jackson)
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 Drummond and action taken as indicated.

Chancellor Drummond congratulated Ms. Laurie Green, Assistant Secretary to the Board of Trustees, for her fundraising efforts for AIDS Walk Los Angeles. Ms. Green raised \$2,812 and is a Gold Star Walker, which designates anyone who raises \$2,500 or more.

Accelerated College Transfer Program (ACT) at West Los Angeles College

Chancellor Drummond deferred to Dr. Mark Rocha, President, WLAC.

Dr. Rocha distributed copies of a document entitled "Accolades for West's ACT Program." He announced that the WLAC ACT Program has been selected by the College Campaign for Student Success as one of the state's top 15 "Practices with Promise." He introduced Professor Patricia Siever, ACT Program Director and commended her for her efforts.

Professor Siever expressed her appreciation to the Board of Trustees, Dr. Rocha, and Chancellor Drummond for their support of the ACT Program. She indicated that the ACT Program started with approximately 100 students and is currently serving approximately 500 students per academic year. She discussed the opportunities that the ACT Program provides for WLAC students with respect to completing Associate Degree and state university transfer requirements in only two years.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

Matters Requiring a Majority Vote

President Scott-Hayes entertained a motion to adopt the Consent Calendar Items on Matters Requiring a Majority Vote, with the limitation that the Student Trustee's vote shall not apply to HRD1., ISD1., PC1., and the Correspondence.

Motion by Trustee Field, seconded by Trustee Pearlman, to adopt the Consent Calendar Items on Matters Requiring a Majority Vote.

The Trustees discussed the following Consent Calendar agenda items:

Com. No. BF1. Budget and Finance Routine Report

With respect to Roman Numeral I. Acceptance of Income by College Item B. Los Angeles Trade-Technical College Number 7. as it relates to the acceptance of funds from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for the Housing and Urban Development—Hispanic Serving Institutions Assisting Communities Program at LATTC and the requirement of in-kind matching, Trustee Field inquired as to how LATTC will match this type of resource.

Dr. Roland Chapdelaine, President, LATTC, responded that the in-kind matching refers to LATTC staff and faculty time.

With respect to Roman Numeral I. Item J. District Office 2. as it relates to the acceptance of funds from the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office for the Credit Matriculation Program at the District Office, Trustee Field inquired if this web-based program would replace college counselors.

Dr. Adriana Barrera, Deputy Chancellor, responded that this program would not replace college counselors. She indicated that this will be an advising tool to assist students and their counselors to negotiate curriculum requirements.

Com. No. BSD1. Business Services Routine Report

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

(Trustee Furutani left at 5:00 p.m.)

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

With respect to Roman Numeral VII. Authorize Construction Contracts Item A. as it relates to a contract to provide general construction services for the Bakery Building, New Education Building, and Central Plant projects at the LACC Northeast Campus, Chancellor Drummond indicated that Dr. Jamillah Moore, Interim President, LACC, reported to him earlier this week that the LACC Shared Governance Committee that deals with the physical plant has voted in opposition to this project going forward. He informed Dr. Moore that this has been a long-standing community commitment and that he would recommend Board approval.

There was discussion regarding these projects with respect to bid alternates being included in the project cost.

Trustee Field requested that these projects be closely monitored in order to ensure that a quality educational program is offered at the LACC Northeast Campus.

With respect to Roman Numeral I. Authorize Professional Services Agreements Item J. as it relates to an agreement to provide preprogramming services for the Master Planning Update project at LATTC, Trustee Mercer inquired as to the length of the period from November 2007 to October 2012 to provide preliminary assessments.

Mr. James Sohn, BuildLACCD, responded that five years is the maximum allowable duration for a professional services contract. The preliminary assessment should be completed in a shorter time period.

Trustee Mercer requested that Mr. Sohn provide a more specific time frame that would be required to complete the preliminary assessment.

Mr. Sohn indicated that the preliminary assessment will take six months or less to complete.

Com. No. HRD1. Personnel Services Routine Actions

Com. No. ISD1. Authorization of Student Travel

Com. No. ISD2. Approval of New Educational Programs

Com. No. PC1. Personnel Commission Actions

Accept Recommended Disposition of Correspondence

Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Aye (Jackson)
ADOPTED: 6 Ayes

Matters Requiring a Super Majority Vote

Com. No. BF2. 2007-2008 Budget Adjustment

Motion by Trustee Field, seconded by Trustee Mercer, to adopt Com. No. BF2.

Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Aye (Jackson)
ADOPTED: 6 Ayes

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE CHANCELLOR

None.

NOTICE REPORTS AND INFORMATIVES

Com. No. BF/A. Informative – 2007-2008 First Quarter Financial Status Report

Presented by Chancellor Drummond.

PUBLIC AGENDA REQUESTS (Category B)

Oral Presentations

Scheduled speaker Mr. Dominique Rivers addressed the Board earlier in today's meeting.

Proposed Actions

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INDICATIONS OF FUTURE PROPOSED ACTIONS

Trustee Pearlman announced that there have been several groundbreaking ceremonies on the campuses since the Board meeting of October 17, 2007 and expressed her appreciation to everyone involved in organizing these events.

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Student Trustee Jackson expressed her appreciation to Dr. Jack E. Daniels III, Interim President, LASC, and the LASC "family" for hosting the LACCD Associated Student Leadership Institute on November 2, 2007. She indicated that the Institute was attended by student leaders from ELAC, LAHC, LAMC, LASC, LATTTC, LAVC, and WLAC. She also reported that she attended the American Democracy Institute's California Youth Summit on November 3, 2007, which was also attended by student leaders from LASC, LATTTC, WLAC, and ELAC. She announced that Ms. Rose Bustos is running for one of the two student positions on the California Community Colleges Board of Governors.

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Trustee Pearlman announced that she represented the District at the 1st Annual Red Nation Environmental Youth Empowerment Summit on November 2, 2007. She further announced that 1st Annual Red Nation Grand Entry Parade is being held on Saturday, November 10, 2007 near Olvera Street in Downtown Los Angeles.

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Trustee Mercer announced that some of the Board members would be attending the Community College League of California Annual Convention and Partner Conferences on November 15-17, 2007 in San Jose.

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Dr. Daniels announced that LASC will dedicate its new Child Development Center on November 13, 2007 at 2 p.m. LASC will also celebrate its 40th anniversary on that date.

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Dr. Chapdelaine announced that Mr. Eric Chavez, Department Chair, Electronics, LATTTC, was selected as the "Teacher of the Year" for the State of California by the California Council of Electronics Instructors. He further announced that the LATTTC Architectural Technology Program under the direction of Ms. Marcela Oliva has formed a partnership with the LAUSD for the purpose of providing high school students with an opportunity to explore architecture as a career.

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Mr. Isomoto announced that everyone is invited to the reception for the Student Photography Exhibition in the Vincent Price Art Gallery beginning at 6 p.m. tonight.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Without objection, so ordered.

APPROVED: 6 Ayes

The regular meeting adjourned at 5:22 p.m.

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

By: _____
Laurie Green
Assistant Secretary to the Board

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Sylvia Scott-Hayes
President of the Board

Date _____ December 19, 2007