

LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, March 21, 2007 • 12:30 p.m.
East Los Angeles College • Baum 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 12:30 p.m. with President Georgia L. Mercer presiding.

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

Chancellor Darroch F. Young was present.

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

None.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Trustee Furutani, 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: 6 Ayes

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

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles Community College District reconvened at 3:32 p.m. with President Georgia L. Mercer presiding.

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

Chancellor Darroch F. Young was present.

Trustee Scott-Hayes offered the Opening Thoughts.

Trustee Candaele led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

WELCOMING REMARKS

Mr. Robert Isomoto, Interim President, ELAC, welcomed the Trustees to ELAC and congratulated the Trustees who were recently reelected to the Board. He expressed his appreciation to Chancellor Young for his leadership of the District.

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Trustee Field announced that Mr. Ernest Moreno, Interim President, LAMC, has received an award for distinguished leadership from the American Association of Hispanics in Higher Education.

MINUTES

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

Regular Meeting and Closed Session – March 7, 2007

APPROVED: 6 Ayes

REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES OF EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS AT THE RESOURCE TABLE

No reports.

PUBLIC AGENDA REQUESTS (CATEGORY A)

Oral Presentations

Ms. Ercely Hernandez addressed the Board regarding the "Make Textbooks Affordable" campaign, which is an effort to create solutions to the high cost of college textbooks.

Scheduled speaker Ms. Lara Kalaidjian was not present.

Trustee Field commended the District students for being actively involved with this issue.

Chancellor Young indicated that the District is working in conjunction with a number of organizations to support specific legislation regarding the textbook issue.

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Trustee Field introduced Ms. Barbara Dunsheath, Faculty Member, ELAC, who is also a Member of the Board, North Orange County Community College District.

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Lady Victoria Ortega addressed the Board regarding Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) policies and student rules of conduct with respect to gender identity and gender expression.

Trustee Field requested that Ms. Camille Goulet, General Counsel, evaluate what type of updates are needed in the District's various equal treatment policies.

Ms. Goulet indicated that the District's nondiscrimination policy is currently in the process of being revised and is going through consultation with a number of groups including the Student Affairs Committee. An effort is being made to combine the nondiscrimination policy on various unlawful bases with the former sexual harassment policy.

Student Trustee Gomez indicated that nondiscrimination policy revisions will be a topic on the agenda of the Student Affairs Committee meeting scheduled for Friday, April 27, 2007. He invited Lady Ortega to attend this meeting.

Ms. Maria Juarez, Mr. Hernán Ponce, and Mr. Cesar Miranda addressed the Board with their concerns regarding discriminatory acts against MEChA of LAMC and their efforts to get these issues resolved.

Chancellor Young indicated that he is working with Mr. Ernest Moreno, Interim President, LAMC, and Ms. Goulet in an effort to resolve these issues.

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There being no objection, Item XIV. Reports from the Chancellor and College Presidents was taken out of order.

REPORTS FROM THE CHANCELLOR AND COLLEGE PRESIDENTS

Recognition of Cadet of the Year

President Mercer announced that Sheriff Leroy Baca, who is in attendance at today's Board meeting, is an alumnus of ELAC.

Chancellor Young deferred to Captain Roosevelt Blow, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

Captain Blow gave a presentation regarding the LACCD Sheriff Cadet Program. He requested that President Mercer, Chancellor Young, and Sheriff Baca join him in presenting certificates to the campus Cadets.

Captain Blow presented the *Cadet of the Year* Award to Kimberly Goldstein of Pierce College and commended her for her efforts in law enforcement on the campus.

Recognition of Captain Roosevelt Blow

Chancellor Young expressed his appreciation to Captain Blow for his service to the District during his assignment and presented him with a certificate in recognition of the completion of his duties with the District.

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There being no objection, scheduled speaker Ms. Lara Kalaidjian who was not present earlier was permitted to address the Board at this time.

Ms. Kalaidjian addressed the Board regarding the "Make Textbooks Affordable" campaign.

(Student Trustee Gomez left at 4:27 p.m.)

Proposed Actions

Com. No. 2/A. To prevent rapes, build the new library in the safe center of campus where the old library is, like UCLA and USC

Mr. Duke Russell addressed the Board requesting that, for safety reasons, the new library at LACC be built in the center of the campus where the old library was located.

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 – March 21, 2007

President Mercer 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

No reports.

Com. No. BT1. Meeting Attendance Authorizations

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

Authorize with payment of necessary expenses for Sylvia Scott-Hayes, member of this Board of Trustees, to have attended the California Educational Facilities Authority (CEFA) meeting on January 25, 2007 held in Sacramento, California.

Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Absent (Gomez)
ADOPTED: 6 Ayes

Com. No. BT2. Resolution – National Administrative Professionals Week

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

The following resolution is presented by Trustees Scott-Hayes and Field:

- WHEREAS, The week of April 22-28, 2007 is Administrative Professionals Week; and
- WHEREAS, Professional Secretaries Week was started in 1952 in an effort to recognize secretaries for their contributions to the workplace; and
- WHEREAS, District supervisors are encouraged to observe Administrative Professionals Week by making a commitment to promote lifelong learning, certification, and other professional development activities; and
- WHEREAS, The administrative support and clerical employees of the Los Angeles Community College District demonstrate the importance of their roles in their daily duties and serve the District exceptionally well; and
- WHEREAS, It is recognized that the administrative support and clerical employees serve the District with dedication, efficiency, and commitment; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles Community College District joins the nation to officially recognize and express sincere appreciation to the many administrative support staff for their irreplaceable skills and professionalism.

Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Absent (Gomez)
ADOPTED: 6 Ayes

Com. No. BT3. Resolution – National Library Week

Motion by Trustee Scott-Hayes, seconded by Trustee Field, to adopt Com. No. BT3. as follows:

The following resolution is presented by Trustee Scott-Hayes:

- WHEREAS, The week of April 15-21, 2007 is National Library Week; and
- WHEREAS, Many school libraries also celebrate the month of April as School Library Media Month; and
- WHEREAS, Libraries serve as a repository of our histories and of our recorded dreams, hopes, and plans for tomorrow; and
- WHEREAS, Libraries require only that one have the desire to explore and learn in order to gain knowledge; and

- WHEREAS, Libraries hold the key to literacy by providing programs and services available to all age groups; and
- WHEREAS, The state of California, through AB 1725, requires that the community colleges provide certain levels of service, resources, and staffing; and
- WHEREAS, A college library is considered an essential criteria in college accreditation and reflects an institution's academic excellence; and
- WHEREAS, The nine colleges of the Los Angeles Community College District afford students with the opportunity to pursue their educational goals by providing needed resources and services; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles Community College District, in an effort to carry out the state's mandate, reaffirms its intentions to fulfill its obligations to its students' educational needs by providing them with facilities conducive to learning, up-to-date print and non-print resources, automated and computerized catalogs, and networked computer technology; and be it further
- RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles Community College District hereby joins the nation in declaring and celebrating National Library Week and encourages all colleges to highlight library-related programs and activities.

Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Absent (Gomez)
ADOPTED: 6 Ayes

Com. No. BT4. Resolution – District Classified Employee Retirement

Motion by Trustee Field, seconded by Trustee Candaele, to adopt Com. No. BT4. as follows:

- WHEREAS, The classified employee identified below has been with the Los Angeles Community College District for many years; and
- WHEREAS, The classified employee has 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 employee for her contributions and extend best wishes in her retirement.

SUMMARY OF RETIRED CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE
 February 1, 2007 – February 28, 2007

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	JOB CLASSIFICATION	YEARS OF SERVICE	LOCATION
1 Winston	Carolyn	Financial Aid Supervisor	25	City

Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Absent (Gomez)
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 Young and action taken as indicated.

Recognition of Cadet of the Year

Recognition of Captain Roosevelt Blow

These reports were taken out of order and presented earlier in today's meeting.

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There being no objection, Com. No. FPD5. Ratify an Emergency Resolution for the Replacement of the Failing Network Core Switch within the Data Center at Los Angeles Mission College was taken out of order.

Matters Requiring a Super Majority Vote

Com. No. FPD5. Ratify an Emergency Resolution for the Replacement of the Failing Network Core Switch within the Data Center at Los Angeles Mission College

Motion by Trustee Furutani, seconded by Trustee Field, to adopt Com. No. FPD5.

Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Absent (Gomez)
ADOPTED: 6 Ayes

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(Trustee Furutani left at 4:37 p.m.)

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

Matters Requiring a Majority Vote

President Mercer 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., ISD3., and PC1.

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

The Trustees discussed the following Consent Calendar agenda items:

Com. No. BF1. Budget and Finance Routine Report

Com. No. BF2. Adopt Resolution for Assignment of Delinquent Tax Receivables to the State of California

Com. No. BF3. Receipt of Annual Audit

Copies of the Annual Financial Audit for fiscal year 2005-06 were distributed.

Com. No. BSD1. Business Services Routine Report

With respect to Roman Numeral II. Authorize Service Agreement as it relates to an agreement with Aon Consulting to provide employee benefits insurance broker and consulting services in support of the District's health and welfare benefits programs, Trustee Field requested that Mr. Ken Takeda, Director, Business Services, and Dr. Susan Aminoff, Chair, Joint Labor Management Benefits Committee (JLMBC), provide background regarding this item.

Mr. Takeda summarized the process that the District uses to select its insurance broker.

Dr. Aminoff indicated that the JLMBC voted unanimously to select Aon Consulting as the District's broker/consultant.

President Mercer inquired if there would be cost savings to the District with this company.

Dr. Aminoff responded in the affirmative.

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

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

Mr. Larry Eisenberg, Executive Director, Facilities Planning and Development, noted the following amendment:

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VIII. RATIFY CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

- A. Ratify Contract No. 4500085596 with LA Propoint Inc. to provide general construction services for the G3 Building-Auditorium project at East Los Angeles College at a cost of \$59,935.

Background: LA Propoint Inc. provided the low ~~quote bid~~ from among three (3) written ~~quotes informal bids~~ ranging from \$59,935 to \$72,685 to remove the existing fire curtain and install a new curtain. Funding is through 2004-2005 Hazardous Substance Removal Program. Construction Phase.

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Com. No. FPD2. Authorize Master Procurement and Services Agreements

Com. No. FPD3. Authorize Amendment to Program Management Agreement

Com. No. FPD4. Authorize Design-Build Agreement

Com. No. HRD1. Personnel Services Routine Actions

Com. No. ISD1. Ratification of Student Travel

Com. No. ISD2. Approval of New Courses

Trustee Pearlman commended WLAC for its extensive offerings of courses in the travel industry.

Com. No. ISD3. Authorization of Student Travel

Com. No. ISD4. Approval of New Noncredit Educational Certificates

Com. No. ISD5. Approval of New Noncredit Educational Certificates

With respect to Com. Nos. ISD4. and ISD5., Trustee Field inquired if these certificates are linked to noncredit enhanced funding.

Chancellor Young responded in the affirmative.

Mr. John Clerx, Associate Vice Chancellor, Instructional and Student Support Services, explained the process for approving noncredit educational certificates.

Com. No. PC1. Personnel Commission Actions

Accept Recommended Disposition of Correspondence

Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Absent (Gomez)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED: 5 Ayes

Matters Requiring a Super Majority Vote

Com. No. FPD5. Ratify an Emergency Resolution for the Replacement of the Failing Network Core Switch within the Data Center at Los Angeles Mission College

Com. No. FPD5. was taken out of order and adopted earlier in today's meeting.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE CHANCELLOR

Chancellor Young announced that Mr. Carl Friedlander, President, Los Angeles College Faculty Guild, has been elected as President of the Community College Council for the California Federation of Teachers (CFT). He further announced that Trustee Field was elected as the Southern Vice President for the CFT.

Chancellor Young announced that the District has been selected by the State of California as one of three college districts to establish career advancement academies. This will result in a \$1.6 million grant for the District for next year. He commended Mr. Clerx and Mr. Royston Thomas, Associate Dean, Special Programs, for their efforts.

Mr. Friedlander announced that Ms. Velma Butler, President, AFT College Staff Guild Los Angeles, has been elected as the Southern Vice President of the Council of Classified Employees, which is a division of the CFT.

NOTICE REPORTS AND INFORMATIVES

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

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

Com. No. ISD/C. Informative – Notification of Student Travel (Pierce)

Presented by Chancellor Young.

PUBLIC AGENDA REQUESTS (Category B)

Oral Presentations

None.

Proposed Actions

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INDICATIONS OF FUTURE PROPOSED ACTIONS

Trustee Pearlman reported that the Board members had the opportunity this morning to visit the Vincent Price Art Gallery at ELAC to view an "incredible" exhibit of student artwork. She expressed her hope that there will be an opportunity for this artwork to be displayed on all nine of the District campuses.

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Dr. Jack Daniels III, Interim President, LASC, announced that from March 13-17, 2007, several students from LASC attended the National Association of Dramatic and Speech Arts Conference in Dallas, Texas. The "Los Angeles Southwest Players" received five national awards—one third place, one second place, and three first place. He indicated that as a result of this, three LASC students received full scholarships to Coppin State University in Baltimore, Maryland.

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Mr. Friedlander announced that the AFT Annual Conference on Health Care and Benefits will be held on Friday, April 13, 2007 at the Manhattan Beach Marriott.

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Ms. Butler announced that the LACCD Wellness Kickoff Program will be held from April 9-23 throughout the District.

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Dr. Steve Maradian, President, LACC, announced that Ms. Daryl Kinney, ESL Instructor, LACC, has been selected by the State Department to travel to China to conduct a workshop on teaching English. He further announced that Mr. Joseph Meyer, Faculty Member, Social Sciences Department, LACC, has been invited to participate as a specialist with Advanced Placement Testing in Florida.

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Dr. Roland Chapdelaine, President, LATTC, announced that LATTC Fashion Center students won a majority of the awards at the Fashion Symposium that was held in Downtown Los Angeles on March 17, 2007. He reported that in the "Denim Construction Contest," which is a contest in which teams of students create a new garment from a pair of jeans, the LATTC team was the only one who hand-sewed their garment—and completed it in 15 minutes. He further announced that he became a grandfather for the second time with his daughter giving birth to a baby boy on Friday, March 16, 2007.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no objection, the regular meeting was adjourned at 5:00 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:

Georgia L. Mercer
President of the Board

Date April 11, 2007