

# **LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

## **MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING**

**Wednesday, January 28, 2015  
Public Session 3:30 p.m.  
Educational Services Center • Board Room  
770 Wilshire Boulevard • Los Angeles, California 90017**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD) was called to order at 3:35 p.m. with President Scott J. Svonkin presiding.

The following members were present: Mike Eng, Mona Field, Ernest H. Moreno, Nancy Pearlman, Scott J. Svonkin, and Steve Veres. Student Trustee LaMont G. Jackson was present.

Chancellor Francisco C. Rodriguez was present.

Trustee Field led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

None.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM COLLEGE PRESIDENTS**

Mr. Marvin Martinez, President, East Los Angeles College (ELAC), announced that on Thursday, January 29, 2015 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m., a community forum will be conducted at ELAC on the President's Executive Order as it relates to immigration and Obamacare. He indicated that this will be a nationally televised forum, which will air on Sunday, February 8, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Ms. Renee D. Martinez, President, Los Angeles City College (LACC), announced that the LACC Collegian reporters were nominated in a college record nine categories by the California College Media Association (CCMA). The award winners are as follows:

Best News Series: Clinton Cameron, Holly San Nicolas, Richard Martinez  
Best Feature Story: Clinton Cameron  
Best Newspaper Column: Byron Umana  
Best Sports Story: Kevin King  
Best News Photograph: Curtis Sabir  
Best Feature Photograph: Richard Martinez  
Best Photo Illustration: Matthieu Dadah, Andrew Pilot  
Best Illustration/Cartoon: Jose Tobar  
Best Special Issue: Collegian Staff (Theatre Bootcamp Issue)

Dr. Otto W. K. Lee, President, Los Angeles Harbor College (LAHC), announced that the Southern California Development Forum, which is a professional association of engineers and architects, has recognized LAHC's Sciences Complex as the best built institutional project.

Dr. Monte E. Perez, President, Los Angeles Mission College (LAMC), announced that the Los Angeles County Office of Education will provide *Covered California* activities for the entire first week of the Spring 2015 semester.

Dr. Nabil Abu-Ghazaleh, President, West Los Angeles College (WLAC), announced that over the next three weeks, WLAC will host approximately 350 high school students from China who will be coming to learn about language schools and prospects for attending college.

Dr. Abu-Ghazaleh reported that on Friday, January 23, 2015, WLAC hosted United States Vice President Joe Biden. He indicated that this was an opportunity for WLAC to underscore the importance of paying attention to the specific needs of California community college students. He expressed his appreciation to Chancellor Rodriguez, President Svonkin, and Trustee Eng for contributing to the roundtable discussion regarding the role of community colleges.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, President Svonkin expressed his appreciation to Dr. Abu-Ghazaleh and his staff for their efforts in preparing for the visit.

Trustee Eng reported that Vice President Biden did a commendable job in addressing the issues that focus on the students.

## **PUBLIC AGENDA REQUESTS**

### Oral Presentations

President Svonkin read the cautionary language for speakers and their personal responsibility and, potentially, personal liability for defamatory remarks.

Ms. Linda McShan addressed the Board regarding being hindered in her efforts to complete her transfer requirements.

### Proposed Actions

None.

## **REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE BOARD**

### Reports of Standing and Special Committees

Trustees Pearlman and Field reported on the meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee on Environmental Stewardship.

Student Trustee Jackson reported on the Student Services Committee meeting of January 15, 2015. He also reported on the Community College League of California (CCLC) Annual Legislative Conference that was held on January 25 to 26, 2015.

Trustee Moreno reported on the meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee on Outreach and Recruitment.

Trustee Eng reported on the Institutional Effectiveness & Student Success Committee meeting.

Trustee Veres reported on the Facilities Master Planning & Oversight Committee meeting.

## Proposed Actions

The following action item, considered as a part as if fully set forth hereto and a certified copy of which will be on file in the Office of the Board of Trustees, was presented by the Board of Trustees and action taken as indicated.

### Com. No. BT1. Resolution – Covered LACCD Week

Motion by Trustee Eng, seconded by Trustee Veres, to adopt Com. No. BT1. as follows:

The following resolution is presented by Board Members Eng and Svonkin:

WHEREAS, At least 5 million Californians have insufficient or no health care coverage; and

WHEREAS, Many of the uninsured are part of the Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD) community, especially students and employees; and

WHEREAS, Starting on January 1, 2014, almost every United States citizen and legal resident will be required to possess minimum essential health insurance or face a penalty of \$95 or 1 percent of income, whichever is greater, unless exempt under the federal Affordable Care Act (ACA); and

WHEREAS, Covered California is the state's health insurance marketplace that has aimed at simplifying the purchase of quality health insurance and the financial assistance to help pay for it; and

WHEREAS, The LACCD serves a student population of up to 250,000 students a year, many of whom have insufficient or no health insurance; and

WHEREAS, Many students and others who lack minimum essential health coverage have no knowledge of the ACA and the IRS penalties for not having health insurance; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That it is the intent of the LACCD to facilitate compliance with the ACA by students within our District; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the LACCD hereby establishes a "*Covered LACCD Week*" for the week of February 9 to 13, 2015 to publicize, educate, and sign up LACCD students working with the appropriate student body representatives and college staff; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the LACCD encourages the student body representatives to work with the Trustees, District administration, College Presidents and their respective staffs, faculty, and unions to sign up LACCD students for medical plans in accordance with the ACA during this week.

*Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Aye (Jackson)*

*ADOPTED: 6 Ayes*

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

### **Matters Requiring a Majority Vote**

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

#### **Com. No. BF1. Adopt Non-Resident Tuition**

#### **Com. No. BSD1. Business Services Routine Report**

With respect to Roman Numeral I. Authorize Service Agreements Item B. as it relates to an agreement with the US Green Building Council Los Angeles Chapter to provide services for the Green Biz LA project, Trustee Field expressed her concern that it is not clear who is doing the work. She indicated that she is unclear about the benefit of this program to the District and that she would abstain from the vote.

With respect to Roman Numeral I. Item A. as it relates to an agreement with Moran Technology Consulting, Inc. to provide a quality assurance review of the Student Information Systems (SIS) upgrade project Districtwide, President Svonkin requested assurance that this firm will deliver the services as promised.

Trustee Field requested that Roman Numeral I. Item B. be separated for the vote.

There being no objection, Roman Numeral I. Item B. was separated for the vote.

*Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Aye (Jackson)*

*ADOPTED WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ROMAN NUMERAL I. ITEM B.: 6 Ayes*

#### **Com. No. BSD1. Roman Numeral I. Item B.**

*Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Abstain (Jackson)*

*ADOPTED: 5 Ayes (Eng, Moreno, Pearlman, Svonkin, Veres)  
1 Abstention (Field)*

President Svonkin indicated that Chancellor Rodriguez would provide a detailed report regarding the Green Biz LA project.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE CHANCELLOR**

### **Com. No. CH1. Approve the Master Plans**

- Los Angeles Mission College Strategic Master Plan (2013-2018)
- Los Angeles Southwest College Strategic Plan (2014-2020)
- West Los Angeles College Educational Master Plan (2014-2020)

Motion by Trustee Field, seconded by Trustee Moreno, to adopt Com. No. CH1.

*Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Aye (Jackson)*

*ADOPTED: 6 Ayes*

Com. No. CH2. Ratify Conference Attendance

Motion by Trustee, seconded by Trustee Pearlman, to adopt Com. No. CH2.

*Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Aye (Jackson)*

*ADOPTED: 6 Ayes*

**NOTICE REPORTS AND INFORMATIVES**

None.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INDICATIONS OF FUTURE PROPOSED ACTIONS**

President Svonkin indicated that the Board meeting would be adjourned in the memory of Mrs. Wallace Albertson, former LACCD Board member, who passed away on January 10, 2015. He reported that Mr. Philip Gonzalez, LACCD employee, passed away on January 18, 2015 and requested that the Board meeting be adjourned in his memory as well. On behalf of the Board of Trustees, he extended his condolences to the Gonzalez family.

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

None.

**RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION**

President Svonkin indicated that during Closed Session, the Board will also be discussing a potential litigation matter pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2).

There being no objection, the regular meeting recessed to Closed Session in accordance with The Ralph M. Brown Act, Government Code sections 54950 et seq., and the Education Code to discuss the matters on the posted Closed Session agenda pursuant to Government Code section 54954.5 (see Attachment A).

The regular meeting recessed to Closed Session at 4:34 p.m.

**RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the LACCD reconvened at 7:10 p.m. with President Scott J. Svonkin presiding.

The Board members were present with the exception of Trustee Field and Student Trustee Jackson.

Chancellor Francisco C. Rodriguez was present.

**REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION – JANUARY 28, 2015**

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


The Board reports that it authorized the initiation of a legal action. The defendants and the other particulars shall, once formally commenced, be disclosed to any person upon inquiry, unless it will jeopardize the District's ability to effectuate service of process. The vote was unanimous.

The Board took no further actions required to be reported.

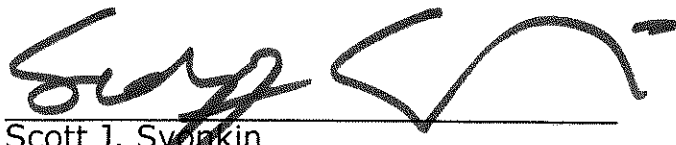
**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no objection, the regular meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

FRANCISCO C. RODRIGUEZ  
Chancellor and Secretary of the Board of Trustees

By:   
Laurie Green  
Assistant Secretary to the Board

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

  
Scott J. Syonkin  
President of the Board

Date February 11, 2015



# Board of Trustees

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## AGENDA

### ATTACHMENT A

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

Wednesday, January 28, 2015

**Educational Services Center  
Hearing Room – First Floor  
770 Wilshire Boulevard  
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- I. **Public Employee Employment**  
(pursuant to Government Code section 54957)
  - A. Chancellor Evaluation
  
- II. **Conference with Labor Negotiator**  
(pursuant to Government Code section 54957.6)
  - A. District Negotiators: Albert Román  
Adriana D. Barrera  
  
Employee Units: All Classified employees
  
  - B. District Negotiators: Albert Román  
Adriana D. Barrera  
  
Employee Unit: Clerical/Technical – Local 1521A
  
  - C. District Negotiators: Albert Román  
Adriana D. Barrera  
  
Employee Unit: All Unrepresented employees
  
- III. **Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Charges/Complaints**  
(pursuant to Government Code section 54957)

**IV. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation**  
(pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1))

*A. LACCD v PW Construction, Inc.*

*B. Delicia Mosley v. LACCD, et al.*

*C. Vivian Henry v. LACCD*