

LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MINUTES – SPECIAL MEETING

**Wednesday, April 18, 2018
Public Session 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Closed Session 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Educational Services Center
Board Room – First Floor
770 Wilshire Blvd. • Los Angeles, California 90017**

The special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD) was called to order at 6:05 p.m. with President Mike Fong presiding.

The following members were present: Gabriel Buelna, Mike Fong, Andra Hoffman, Ernest H. Moreno, Scott J. Svonkin and Steven F. Veres. Student Trustee Christopher Martinez was present.

Chancellor Francisco C. Rodriguez was present.

FLAG SALUTE

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

PUBLIC SPEAKERS

None

ELECTION OF LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES VICE PRESIDENT

President Fong declared that nominations were open for the position of Vice President of the Board of Trustees. A second is not-required under Robert's Rules of Order.

Trustee Buelna nominated Trustee Hoffman.

There being no further nominations, President Fong declared the nominations closed. He requested that the Trustees indicate their vote by a roll call.

The following votes were recorded:

*Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Aye (Martinez)
6 Ayes (Buelna, Fong, Hoffman, Moreno, Svonkin, Veres)*

PRESENTATION OF PROCEDURES FOR FILLING A BOARD OF TRUSTEES VACANCY

President Fong deferred to Mr. Jeffrey M. Prieto, General Counsel.

A document entitled "Procedures and Timetable for Filling Board Vacancy" was distributed.

Mr. Prieto introduced Mr. Michael Toy, Attorney, and Mr. Kevin D. Jeter, Associate General Counsel, and expressed his appreciation for their efforts in preparing this document.

Mr. Prieto introduced Mr. Fredric D. Woocher, Partner, Strumwasser & Woocher LLP.

Mr. Woocher summarized the document with respect to the procedures and timetable for filling the Board vacancy. He discussed the two legal options for filling the vacancy—(1) Election Option and (2) Appointment Option.

A question and answer session was conducted regarding the document with respect to the procedures and timetable.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INDICATIONS OF FUTURE PROPOSED ACTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

With respect to the issue of student housing, Trustee Buelna recommended that the Board create and begin the process of studying the various options for student housing. He recommended the creation of an ad hoc committee for this purpose.

Trustee Buelna indicated that during the Legislative & Public Affairs Committee meeting, discussion was held regarding the online community college. He stated that the Board is scheduled to consider this issue in May and emphasized the importance of the Board to make some decisions regarding this topic.

There was discussion regarding the possibility of holding a special Board meeting prior to the regular Board meeting of June 6 for the purpose of interviewing the candidates.

Trustee Buelna indicated that in response to the concerns expressed by students from Los Angeles Valley College that the Dream Resource Centers are underfunded and understaffed, a barbecue fundraiser will be held on either July 7 or July 14. He stated that the goal is to raise from \$150,000 to \$200,000, which will go to the Dream Resource Centers.

Trustee Svonkin announced that the San Fernando Valley Food and Wine Festival will be held at Los Angeles Mission College on April 28. He encouraged everyone to attend.

REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD REGARDING CLOSED SESSION AGENDA MATTERS

None

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

There being no objection, the Board 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 special meeting recessed to Closed Session at 7:06 p.m.

RECONVENE SPECIAL MEETING

The special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the LACCD reconvened at 9:31 p.m. with President Mike Fong presiding.

The following members were present: Gabriel Buelna, Mike Fong, Andra Hoffman, Ernest H. Moreno, Scott J. Svonkin and Steven F. Veres. Student Trustee Christopher Martinez was not present.

Chancellor Francisco C. Rodriguez was present.

REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION – APRIL 18, 2018

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

President Fong noted that the Board took no actions that The Ralph M. Brown Act requires to be reported.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no objection, the special meeting was adjourned at 9:32 p.m.

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

By: _____
Guadalupe M. Orozco
Assistant Secretary to the Board

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Mike Fong
President of the Board

Date _____ April 18, 2018