

**LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
Educational Services Center
Board Room – First Floor
770 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90017
Wednesday, November 4, 2009
10:00 – 11:00 a.m.**

Committee: Sylvia Scott-Hayes, Chair; Kelly G. Candaele; Georgia L. Mercer

Participants: Juan Carlos Benitez, Cassidy & Associates; Jordan Bernstein, Cassidy & Associates; David Beaulieu, DAS; A. Susan Carleo, LAVC; Gary Colombo, ESC; Jack E. Daniels III, LASC; Donna Jo Denison, Cassidy & Associates; Larry Eisenberg, ESC; Carl Friedlander, Los Angeles College Faculty Guild; Jeanette Gordon, ESC; Camille Goulet, ESC; Lynn Winter Gross, Build—LACCD; Gale Holland, Los Angeles Times; Marvin Martinez, ESC; Patrick McCallum, McCallum Group; Jamillah Moore, LACC; Dee Patel, Build—LACCD; Stuart Silverstein, Build—LACCD; Linda Spink, LAHC; Tyree Wieder, ESC

Trustee Scott-Hayes called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS

None.

REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

LACCD's Federal Initiatives

A document entitled "Overview LACCD 2009 Federal Initiatives Cassidy & Associates" was distributed.

Mr. Marvin Martinez deferred to Mr. Jordan Bernstein.

Mr. Bernstein introduced Ms. Donna Jo Denison and Mr. Juan Carlos Benitez. Mr. Bernstein discussed the document with respect to federal appropriations funding requests, funding opportunities for the LACCD that are available from the stimulus bill that was passed in early 2009, grant opportunities, the Student Loan Bill, the American Graduation Initiative, and the Veterans Benefits/GI Bill.

Ms. Denison indicated that Pierce College is applying for a new designation for Hispanic Serving Institutions under the United States Department of Agriculture as authorized by the 2008 Farm Bill.

There was discussion regarding an attachment to the document entitled "AACC (American Association of Community Colleges) Position on HELP (Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions) Legislation Implementing the American Graduation Initiative."

Trustee Scott-Hayes requested that the Board be provided with updates on a quarterly or monthly basis regarding the progress of the federal initiatives. She also requested that an annual evaluation be conducted with respect to the progress of the federal initiatives.

Potential Energy-Related Initiatives

Mr. Larry Eisenberg distributed an e-mail regarding LACCD solar installations at Los Angeles Harbor College (LAHC) and Pierce College. He discussed the e-mail with respect to a Purchase Power Agreement (PPA) with the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) that would enable the installation of solar energy systems at LAHC and Pierce College.

There was discussion regarding the costs and timelines associated with installing these solar energy systems.

Mr. Eisenberg indicated that at today's Board meeting, Com. No. BT1. Legislative Direction can be amended to add an endorsement for legislation that would reinforce the availability of SB 1 funds in conjunction with federal tax credits.

Motion by Trustee Mercer, seconded by Trustee Candaele, to support this legislation.

APPROVED: 3 Ayes

Update on State Initiatives

A document entitled "LACCD Legislative Update – November 4, 2009" was distributed.

Mr. Patrick McCallum discussed the document with respect to the Cal Grant Decentralization Pilot Program and several LACCD statewide legislative proposals.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Without objection, so ordered.

The meeting adjourned at 11:12 a.m.