The special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD) was called to order at 1:20 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.

Public Comment

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

Mr. Glenn Bailey introduced himself as a candidate for Seat Number 3 on the Board of Trustees.

Review of Board Communication and Meeting Protocols

The following document was distributed:

- Follow-Up Items: Board Leadership and Planning Session, August 23, 2014

The Board members and Chancellor Rodriguez discussed communication protocols to date and ways to enhance Board communication.

Review of Progress on 2014/15 Board Goals and Board Ad Hoc Committees

The following document was distributed:

- Board Goals for 2014/15

The Board members and Chancellor Rodriguez reviewed progress on the 2014/15 Board goals established at the August 23, 2014 leadership and planning session.

Board’s Role in 2016 Accreditation

The following documents were distributed:
The important role of Board members to the accreditation process was reviewed. Governing boards have the primary responsibility for guiding institutions to achieve the mission of student success. Governing boards fulfill this responsibility through institutional policies and by delegating responsibility for implementation of policies and pursuit of mission. The Board’s responsibility for institutional effectiveness is exercised through its policy-making role and the delegation of policy implementation to college staff through the CEO.

The Board members and Chancellor Rodriguez discussed the upcoming Spring 2016 Districtwide accreditation visit to all nine colleges and the Educational Services Center by visiting teams representing the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC). Board members suggested accreditation training for the new Board after July 2015 and that the February 25, 2015 Committee of the Whole topic be used for an accreditation update.

Chancellor Rodriguez presented recommendations to the Board that included Board participation in ACCJC trainings, serving on ACCJC Visiting Teams, and inviting additional professional development in this area.

**Federal Lobbyist Firm: Holland & Knight**

The following document was distributed:

- Framing Questions

Members of the District’s federal lobbyist firm of Holland & Knight were introduced. A federal perspective was provided and opportunities for federal grants funding were discussed.

**CLOSED SESSION: Chancellor’s Evaluation**

The Closed Session item was withdrawn.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no objection, the special meeting was adjourned at 4:35 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 January 14, 2015