Committee: Rodney D. Robinson, Chair; Celena Alcala, WLAC; Rihao Gao, ELAC; M. Sonia Lopez, ELAC; Teresa Martinez, LAMC; Arthur Minasyan, LAVC; Elizabeth Ortiz, LAVC; Joe Ramirez, LAMC; Esteban Robledo, LAHC; Brandy Ruiz, WLAC; Linda Tong, LACC

Participants: Gary Colombo, ESC; Joe Lucas, Build—LACCD; Rachael Richards

Student Trustee Robinson called the meeting to order at 9:27 a.m.

At roll call, the following colleges were present: ELAC, LACC, LAMC, LAVC, and WLAC.

Absent: LAHC (arrived at 9:41 a.m.), Pierce College, LASC, and LATTC

A quorum was present.

PUBLIC AGENDA SPEAKERS

Mr. Joe Lucas distributed a document regarding “RecycleMania,” which is a friendly competition for college and university recycling programs to promote waste reduction activities to their campus communities. He indicated that the competition will commence in late January 2010.

There was discussion regarding recycling efforts at the colleges.

Ms. M. Sonia Lopez indicated that the ASO Advisors are requesting that a winter leadership training session be held. The topics to be discussed would be budget development, elections, and advocacy. The date would be either January 22, 2010 or January 29, 2010.

Student Trustee Robinson requested that Ms. Lopez e-mail him the details and he will forward this information to the ASO Presidents.

(Mr. Esteban Robledo, LAHC, arrived at 9:41 a.m.)

Ms. Rachael Richards addressed the Committee regarding the importance of the ASO Presidents to advocate for the students. She indicated that the Student Senate for California Community Colleges and the California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office have agreed to investigate LAHC and other colleges across the state regarding various ASO issues.

ASSOCIATED STUDENT BODY PRESIDENTS’ REPORTS

The following individuals reported on issues, activities, and events at their respective campuses:

Ms. Brandy Ruiz, WLAC; Ms. Linda Tong, LACC; Mr. Arthur Minasyan, LAVC; Ms. Teresa Martinez, LAMC; Ms. Rihao Gao, ELAC; and Mr. Esteban Robledo, LAHC.

Motion by Mr. Minasyan, seconded by Ms. Martinez, to add the Student Senate for California Community Colleges (SSCCC) At-Large Report (2 minutes) to the SAC agenda following the SSCCC Region VII Report.

APPROVED: 6 Ayes
STUDENT SENATE FOR CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES REGION VII REPORT

Ms. Tong distributed the SSCCC Region VII Report and discussed its contents with respect to upcoming activities including the “March in March” rally on March 22, 2010 in Sacramento. She also discussed the document with respect to the resolutions that have been passed by Region VII.

STUDENT SENATE FOR CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES AT-LARGE REPORT

Ms. Richards reported on the SSCCC Council meeting that was held on December 5-6, 2009 in Sacramento.

ISSUES FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

There were no issues for the Board of Trustees. However, there was discussion regarding students who take several years to complete their community college education and the impact of the budget crisis on the LACCD.

There was discussion regarding the Student Trustee not being permitted to attend Board of Trustees Closed Session meetings.

Mr. Gary Colombo recommended that Ms. Camille Goulet, General Counsel, be invited to attend an SAC meeting in order to explain why the Student Trustee is not permitted to attend Closed Session meetings.

Student Trustee Robinson indicated that he would invite Ms. Goulet to a future SAC meeting.

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Student Trustee Robinson entertained a motion to go back to Public Agenda Speakers.

Motion by Mr. Minasyan, seconded by Ms. Martinez, to go back to Public Agenda Speakers.

APPROVED: 6 Ayes

PUBLIC AGENDA SPEAKERS (continued)

Mr. Colombo addressed the Committee regarding two shared governance surveys that Student Trustee Robinson and the ASO Presidents are being requested to complete. He indicated that the deadline to complete the surveys is December 21, 2009.

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(Ms. Tong, LACC, left at 11:34 a.m.)

CONSULTATION ITEMS

None.

ACTION ITEMS

None.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Administrative Regulation E-22 – Eligibility for Associated Student Organization Offices

Administrative Regulation E-22 was distributed.

There was discussion regarding possible changes to Administrative Regulation E-22 with respect to the unit and grade point average (GPA) requirements for ASO officers and candidates for ASO offices.
Student Trustee Robinson indicated that Administrative Regulation E-22 would be placed on the agenda of the SAC meeting of January 22, 2010 for further discussion regarding the recommended changes.

Budget Cuts and Solutions (standing discussion item)

Due to the lack of time, this item was not discussed.

Student Affairs Committee Districtwide Fundraiser

Due to the lack of time, this item was not discussed.

Student March – March 22, 2010

Due to the lack of time, this item was not discussed.

REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/DISCUSSION

Student Affairs Committee Chair’s Monthly Report

Due to the lack of time, no report was presented.

Resource Table Student Representative – January 13, 2010 (ESC) and January 27, 2010 (LACC)

Mr. James Butler-Zetino, ASO President, LACC, will serve as the Student Representative at the Resource Table for the Board meetings of January 13, 2010 and January 27, 2010.

SAC OUTSIDE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Due to the lack of time, no reports were presented.

DISTRICT ACADEMIC SENATE REPORT

No report.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

SUMMARY – NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Student Affairs Committee is scheduled for Friday, January 22, 2010 at 9 a.m. at the Educational Services Center. The deadline for submitting agenda items is January 8, 2010.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.