District Academic Senate Executive Committee

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Friday, August 20, 2021 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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Attendance

	Present
Officers	Angela Echeverri (President), Anna Bruzzese (1st VP), Elizabeth Atondo
	(2 nd VP), Lourdes Brent (Secretary), Joshua Miller (Treasurer), John
	Freitas (Parliamentarian)
City	Mickey Hong
East	Jeffrey Hernandez
Harbor	
Mission	Carole Akl
Pierce	Barbara Anderson
Southwest	Robert Stewart
Trade	Marvin DaCosta
Valley	Chauncey Maddren
West	Patricia Zuk
Guests	Wendy Bass-Keer (Pierce), Jessica Drawbond (Southwest), Randall
	Gust (East), William Hernandez (Harbor)

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President Angela Echeverri called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

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There being new Senate Presidents, Echeverri requested that those in the meeting introduce themselves. She will request training on BoardDocs, especially for new senate presidents. As part of Stewart's introduction, he announced that the Area C meeting preceding the Fall 2021 ASCCC Plenary Session (Academic Senate for the California Community Colleges) will be October 16, 2021. The meeting will be held virtually.

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Approval of the Agenda:

- 22 The agenda was adopted as written
- 23 (J. Hernandez/Miller) M/S/P

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Approval of the Minutes:

- The minutes of the July 16, 2021 meeting were approved as written
- 27 (Stewart/Bruzzese) M/S/P
- 28 **Abstain:** W. Hernandez

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Action Items

1. Administrative Procedure 4106 (Formerly E-10): Registered Nursing Program Standards – from DCC

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> MOTION: Amend the Mathematics prerequisite to read "Completion of the LACCD math placement process."

39 (Freitas/Atondo) M/S/P

Perfected motion: M/S/P – as amended

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42 Atondo reported that the updates on this Administrative Procedure (AP) came from the 43 District Nursing Committee. Questions regarding some revisions to program 44 prerequisites were raised at a previous meeting of the District Academic Senate 45 Executive Committee (DAS Exec), and the concerns were referred to the District 46 Curriculum Committee (DCC) for resolution. Added courses to satisfy program 47 prerequisites were Biology 20 (Anatomy and Physiology, 8 units), different iterations of 48 English 101, and the ESL (English as a Second Language) composition course that meets 49 CSUGE and IGETC (California State University General Education; Intersegmental 50 General Education Transfer Curriculum) transfer requirements.

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2. Administrative procedure (AP) 4236: Advanced Placement (AP) credit including addition of Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) majors

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MOTION: Include changes to section 1 from the original motion with the intent to provide clarifying language.

(Freitas/Atondo) M/S/P

Perfected motion: M/S/P – as amended

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Atondo and Freitas explained E-110/AP 4236, noting that it was vetted by all 9 articulation officers in the District. The intent was clarification but not a change in policy. These APs are intended to give guidance to the faculty at the colleges, for example, in specifying that faculty with discipline expertise establish criteria. Changes include: The use of AP (advanced placement) exams for ADTs (Associate Degrees for Transfer), with an emphasis on what the CSUs (California State Universities) have accepted; and Appendix B (a table of the name of the AP exam, the required score, and the corresponding LACCD course). The goal is to apply advanced placement credit both fairly and consistently for our students. Colleges may also wish to consider using past AP exams for local degrees. Atondo further explained the necessity for keeping units and course credit (such as for AP exams) in discrete categories. Semester units awarded toward an ADT through an AP exam might be different from the number of semester units which the corollary class in the LACCD would carry, as an example. Possible issues

73	related to the number of units required for a major in a Modern Language vis-à-vis AP
73 74	credit were cited.
75	credit were cited.
76	3. Administrative Procedure (AP) 4238: College-level Examination Program (CLEP)
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79	MOTION: Include changes to section 1 from the original motion with the intent to
80	provide clarifying language.
81	(J. Hernandez/Zuk) M/S/P
82	Perfected motion: M/S/P – as amended
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84	Atondo noted the clarifying language in Section 1, and that CLEP cannot be used for
85	ADTs for course credit for majors.
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87	4. Administrative Procedure (AP) 4237: International Baccalaureate Credit
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89	MOTION: Include changes to section 1 from the original motion with the intent to
90	provide clarifying language.
91	(J. Hernandez/Atondo) M/S/P
92	Perfected motion: M/S/P – as amended
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94	5. Administrative Procedure (AP) 4232: Pass – No Pass Grading Option
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96	MOTION: Include changes from the original motion with the intent to provide
97	updated language.
98	(Zuk/J. Hernandez) M/S/P
99	Perfected motion: M/S/P – as amended
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101	Freitas clarified that faculty can choose letter grades, Pass/No Pass, or both, when
102	writing the course outline of record for submission to the curriculum committee at the
103	colleges. In response to a question from one of the Senators, Freitas replied that he can
104	inquire at consultation if the student information system (SIS) can be programmed so
105	that students may choose Pass/No Pass at the time of registration instead of completing
106	a form in Admissions and Records (if P/NP is a grading option for that class). Atondo
107	noted that the University of California has a limit of 16 units taken Pass/No Pass for
108	which the student may receive transfer credit. It was encouraged to have clarifying
109	language in college catalogs.
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111	6. Administrative Procedure (AP) 4228: Course Repetition – Significant Lapse of Time
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113	MOTION: Postpone to October DAS Exec meeting
114	(J. Hernandez/Atondo) M/S/P

- 116 Freitas remarked on the need to look at all of the course repetition APs as a whole. The
- 117 Community College League of California (CCLC) template language is being used as a
- 118 starting point. However, it may be preferable not to take action until the other course
- 119 repetition APs (4225, 4226, 4227, 4228, and 4229) are also reviewed. Repeatability for
- 120 Foreign Language and Music classes was discussed. For clarification, it was explained
- 121 that, should this AP be approved, it would go into effect once LACCD Chancellor
- 122 Rodriguez signs it. However, it must first go through the Office of General Counsel.

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- 7. Board Policy (BP) 4400: Community Services from DCC
- 125 (J. Hernandez/W. Hernandez) M/S/P

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127 Freitas noted that this BP puts policies for community services in the purview of the 128 senate.

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- 8. Administrative Procedure (AP) 4400: Community Services
- 131 (J. Hernandez/Atondo) M/S/P

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Atondo referenced added language requiring notification to curriculum committees of any new offerings prior to their submission to the LACCD Board of Trustees.

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- 9. Resolution on a More Proactive Approach to Support COVID Safe Instruction and Services
- 138 (Zuk/Bruzzese) M/S/P

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- 140 J. Hernandez introduced the resolution, and is appreciative of the Board of Trustees and
- 141 district administration for complying for what is minimally required to provide safe
- 142 instruction and services at the colleges as we re-engage in-person through the
- 143 pandemic. However, he has heard from faculty who want a more proactive approach
- 144 and the inclusion of best practices, not just adherence to minimum standards, e.g.,
- 145 maintaining physical distancing requirements at the colleges, and encouraging telework.
- 146 The District needs to communicate to our students and the community that our colleges
- 147 are safe places to be. The Senators went on discuss discipline-specific concerns, e.g.,
- 148 physical distancing related to playing wind instruments or counseling spaces, expanded
- 149 class sizes especially in science labs, etc. A future resolution might be something more
- 150 general regarding safe instruction and services in light of future pandemics.

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- 152 10. AP 5111 – Graduation petitions – passed by DAS Exec, consultation changes 153
- (Zuk/Atondo)

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- 155 MOTION: Amend Step 2 in procedures as follows – change 8 weeks to 4 weeks
- 156 (Freitas/Atondo) M/S/P
- 157 Perfected motion: M/S/P – as amended

Speaking in favor of this action item, Atondo noted that this new AP, based on recommendations from the Counseling Chairs, was approved by DAS, went through consultation, and came back to this body. The recommendation after consultation was to change the time needed for Admissions and Records (A & R) to process graduation petitions to 8 weeks. The original language from DAS was 5 business days. In an effort to keep this matter moving forward, in consideration of the A & R Evaluators and to respect the needs of our students, the Senators agreed to change the processing time listed in this AP to 4 weeks. Freitas added that the intent was to implement the joint letter in Fall 2019 from the LACCD Office of Educational Policies and Institutional Effectiveness (EPIE) and the DAS to uphold the primacy of the faculty in academic and professional matters and to help delineate roles between faculty and classified staff in the actions surrounding graduation petitions.

11. Recommendation on CiDi Labs Design Tool and UDOIT Accessibility Checker (Zuk/Anderson) M/S/P

Drawbond reported that the State is no longer paying for the Ally accessibility checker. If the District engages in a districtwide contract for a replacement, a better price may be obtained. (Costs would be borne by the colleges.) Bass added that the District DE (Distance Education) Coordinators and the DAS Academic Technology committee voted to approve the contract.

12. Renumber Existing E-100 to Administrative Procedure AP 5140 (Zuk/J. Hernandez) M/S/P

Freitas noted that there were no changes to the E-Regulation originally approved in 2020. The intent of this action is merely to renumber to an Administrative Procedure to conform to the Community College League of California (CCLC) template.

The DAS Exec took a brief recess from 11:45 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. and resumed at that time.

Noticed Items

1. Resolution on district-Wide Survey on Social Justice, Work Ethics, and Personnel Diversification

J. Hernandez introduced Randall Gust, Chair of the East Los Angeles College Academic Senate's Committee on Academic Freedom and Excellence (CAFÉ), who spoke in support of this resolution. It is being noticed for action by DAS Exec in September and the full DAS in October. The need for a survey of all District employees was emphasized, as it is necessary to know where the challenges are so that proactive steps can be taken. J.

Hernandez will include an addition to the resolution to encourage participation in the survey.

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2. Constitute Transfer, Articulation, and Student Services task force and report progress to the District Academic Senate

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Echeverri noted that the DAS has DCC, but we need an equivalent group in the student services area. Until such a DAS committee is formed, a task force is necessary to vet concerns as much as possible among the faculty related to transfer, articulation, and student services. District Academic Senate 1st Vice President Anna Bruzzese will put the task force together. This group is intended to be faculty-dominated, but also include some administrators and classified professionals.

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3. Chapter 5 Administrative Procedures

- 5110 Admissions
- 5013 Students in the Military
- 5017 Responding to Inquiries of Immigration Status, Citizenship Status, and National Origin Information
- 5020 Nonresident Tuition
- 5030 Fees

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Freitas provided background to the Chapter 5 APs. He met with Vice Chancellor Ryan Cornner and Associate Vice Chancellor Betsy Regalado. Twenty-seven Administrative Procedures (current E-Regs) are noticed now. The proposed timeline is for DAS to take action in October. Eleven proposed APs (E-Regis) need further review. Freitas emailed a correlation chart. Some language is in existing E-Regs and other language is part of the CCLC template. Freitas further reported that Cornner contracted with a law office to help integrate the template language. Some E-Regs/proposed AP updates are not included here, such as residence determination, students in the military, and EOPS (Extended Opportunity Programs and Services).

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4. Chapter 5 Administrative Procedures

- 5031 Instructional Materials Fees
- 5035 Withholding of Student Records
- 5040 Student Records, Directory Information, and Privacy
- 5045 Student Records-Challenging Content and Access Log
 - 5050 Student Success and Support Program

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5. Chapter 5 Administrative Procedures

- 5055 Enrollment Priorities
- 5070 Attendance
- **5110 Counseling**
- **5120** Transfer Center

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246	Chapter 5 Administrative Procedures
247	• 5160 Child Development Centers
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250	 5220 Shower Facilities for Homeless Students
251	• 5300 Student Equity
252	• 5400 Associated Students Organization
253	• 5410 Associated Students Elections
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255	7. Chapter 5 Administrative Procedures
256	• 5520 Student Discipline Procedures
257	• 5530 Student Rights and Grievances
258	Student Credit Card Solicitation
259	• 5700 Intercollegiate Athletics
260	 5800 Prevention of Identity Theft in Student Financial Transactions
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262	<u>Discussion Items</u>
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264	1. DAS Goals: Progress in 2020-2021 & goals for 2021-2022
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266	Echeverri reviewed the goals for the DAS from the past year. She also discussed a
267	presentation on faculty hiring made at a meeting of one of the Board committees, and
268	commented on additional ongoing funding being made available from the State for full-
269	time faculty hiring.
270 271	DAS Goals for 2020-2021:
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273	1. Developing equity and anti-racism action plans
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275	a. Reimagining faculty hiring through equity lens
276	b. Faculty diversification
277	c. Succession planning
278	d. Examination of curriculum under equity lens
279	e. Lead the investigation of ethnic studies and social justice requirement in
280	LACCD (course, activity, etc.)
281	f. Student equity in an online environment
282	g. Supporting learning through equity lens, hard-to-convert courses, serving
283	students with disabilities, AB 705 implementation, online student
284	services, and other needs
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286	2. Revising the DAS Bylaws: Academic Technology, Professional Development
227	College Flections and Other

3. Upholding and strengthening collegial consultation; Seeking joint professional development with the Board of Trustees; Seeking collegiality in action

Developing equity and anti-racism action plans

J. Hernandez noted some challenges, but strongly supported additional work related to equity and diversity. He also reported on a retreat as well as ongoing conversations at East Los Angeles College, and offered to share ideas, including the formation of affinity groups (like an ASCCC caucus group). He further suggested a task force to spearhead these related goals and objectives, develop effective practices, and identify resources. A possible summit on faculty hiring could also be beneficial. In any event, the DAS should take a proactive approach. Echeverri added that one idea was to broaden the scope of LACCD's Project MATCH by having a second cohort for adjunct faculty who might benefit from additional coaching or mentoring which might be needed to interview successfully to get a tenure-track faculty position. She noted that the District seemed open to providing additional funding for this option as faculty diversity is of particular concern to the Board of Trustees. A relevant topic is hiring full-time faculty in Ethnic Studies, and the challenges of hiring faculty in areas which do not currently exist in the college. There was additional discussion regarding faculty applicants who choose not to state their ethnicity or race on job applications, possibly pointing to a culture which discourages such disclosure as well as resulting in the creation of gaps in demographic data. Various strategies were discussed to address this issue, including a joint letter (DAS and District Administration) to prospective applicants asking them to complete the demographic form, highlighting the District's goal of diversity, equity, and inclusion, and assuring applicants that it is safe to declare their racial/ethnic background. For persons already employed by the District, a similar letter could be sent asking them to update their profile on SAP. Echeverri will include this topic in consultation.

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Freitas included the following link related to changes in EEO (Equal Employment Opportunity) regulations:

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Another avenue for diversifying faculty could be through the Equivalency Committee. For example, the committee could highlight equivalency options during the recruitment period. The DAS bylaws state that the senate president or designee is the college's representative to the Equivalency Committee. Senate Presidents are urged to review their representatives to this committee and make appointments which would lead to a vibrant committee.

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Of continuing concern is AB 705 implementation and the increase in equity gaps among the colleges and among our students. This has been an ongoing consultation topic and

331 the LACCD and DAS have a joint task force. It is evident that we need better data; our 332 goal is to identify and fully support students who are not making it through. 333 334 Revising the DAS Bylaws: Academic Technology, Professional Development College, 335 Elections, and Other 336 337 The DAS bylaws pertaining to elections and Academic Technology have been revised. 338 The bylaws revision for the Professional Development College are pending. 339 340 Upholding and strengthening collegial consultation; Seeking joint professional 341 development with the Board of Trustees: Seeking collegiality in action 342 343 Echeverri reported that she is hoping to get the dates for the technical 344 assistance/collegiality in action visit soon. It was reported that the Chancellor has said 345 that only three members of the LACCD Board of Trustees can attend due to Brown Act 346 considerations. DAS Parliamentarian John Freitas observed that the Brown Act permits 347 all members of the Board to be in attendance as long as it is so noted on an agenda and 348 shared the following link to Govt. Code sec. 54952.2: 349 https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?lawCode=GOV&sec 350 tionNum=54952.2. 351 Echeverri will advise the Chancellor accordingly. 352 353 J. Hernandez shared his notes on what has been suggested for consideration as DAS 354 goals for the coming academic year. 355 356 * Summit on Faculty Hiring and Diversity 357 * Request District Support to Training Faculty on Effective Practices to Promote Diversity 358 * Expand Project Match for Adjunct Faculty 359 * Incorporate into application form a letter from DAS President letter to applicants to 360 complete the demographic data 361 * Encourage District faculty to update their demographic profile 362 * In collaboration with the AFT, seek administrative support for an expansion of faculty 363 mentors with explicit goal of sustaining faculty diversity among new hires 364 * Support the formation of local/district affinity groups to serve as a resource for 365 building interest in senate and committee participation and leadership but also to 366 create spaces for sharing experiences, networking, and advocacy 367 * Incorporate equivalence process within the PeopleAdmin application so that 368 Equivalency Committee can help lead DEI in this area 369 * Obtain more precise data on placement to identify and more fully support students 370 371 Echeverri recommended the inclusion of increased support for credit for prior learning 372 (CPL). Because of the magnitude of this undertaking, it was recommended that a 373 District commitment was necessary, e.g., a district coordinator and college coordinators

faculty for whom CPL could be their whole focus – who could be aligned with Guided

Pathways. Professional development would also be needed as would updating the relevant AP. Freitas and Atondo will prepare draft language to include as a goal.

Miller recommended a goal of working with DAS Guided Pathways, the DAS Academic Technology Committee, the LACCD Office of Educational Planning and Institutional Effectiveness, Career Technical Education, and Student Services to create a comprehensive plan/theme this year for career exploration. This theme could be for Discipline Day or the Summit. Miller will send Echeverri a recommendation.

Echeverri asked the Senators to send her any additional ideas for goals

2. Planning for:

- o Fall 2021 Summit
- DAS Newsletter
- ASCCC Technical Assistance Visit
- ASCCC Academic Academy (virtual) and Fall 2021 Plenary (hybrid)

Echeverri observed that it is unlikely to have any changes regarding the emergency suspension of some Brown Act requirements precipitated by the COVID-19 pandemic until after the September 14, 2021 gubernatorial recall election. Should pending legislation pass (AB 361), the temporary provisions to allow for teleconferencing without certain Brown Act requirements will not go into effect until January 1, 2022 because there is no urgency clause in the legislation. If passed and signed into law, that legislation will sunset on January 1, 2024. More will be known after September 15th. There is concern about potential impacts to meetings of the DAS Exec and the full DAS.

Echeverri hopes to publish the DAS newsletter, *Academically Speaking*, at the beginning of the Fall 2021 semester. She will add the Area C meeting to the calendar.

Stewart discussed the hybrid format for the ASCCC Fall Plenary session in Long Beach. Each college and each district can send one delegate in-person (for a maximum of 150); others will attend online through Pathable. Costs for the participants has not yet been determined. Echeverri noted that it had been possible to send many faculty members to such events because they have been virtual. Those Senators wishing to attend in person are requested to contact DAS President Echeverri by September 20th.

Echeverri is also considering postponing the September 24, 2021 LACCD/DAS Summit due to extenuating circumstances. The Chancellor is reported to be open to that postponement. Initially, the Summit theme was to be Advancing Student Equity. However, the DAS can look at alternate dates and various issues. Safety is in the forefront now. Miller reported on a Guided Pathways event, potentially in October.

3. COVID-19 Pandemic ad Return to In-Person Instruction & Services (BP 2800, BP 2900)

Echeverri reported that Board Policy (BP) 2800 will give the District the authority to require all persons, regardless of vaccination status, to wear face coverings while indoors and on district property. BP 2900 requires that employees and students accessing district property be fully vaccinated or undergo regular testing and produce negative test results. The LACCD will need time to implement BP 2900 in order to set up tracking protocols and to permit time for employees and students to be fully immunized. The various employee unions are having conversations, including how faculty deal with non-compliant individuals, and proper administrative and security staffing to deal with potential incidents.

Some Senators expressed their concerns, noting that these are minimum standards and not proactive approaches, and observed that other community colleges and the Los Angeles Unified School District had requirements, procedures, and protocols in place with sufficient lead time before the beginning of their academic years.

4. Update to Brown Act Meetings – previously discussed

5. Additional Funding for FT Faculty Hiring

Echeverri forwarded the agenda of the District Budget Committee (DBC). There is extra money from the State, on an ongoing basis, to fund additional full-time faculty hiring. The District share is \$8.6 million. The State calculates \$86 thousand per position, but the District calculates salary and benefits at over \$100 thousand per year per full-time faculty hire. At present, the District is giving priority to colleges which have the fewest number of full-time faculty. To date, 34 positions have been posted, and another 30 or more can be funded.

6. Enrollment and Budget

Echeverri reported that overall District enrollment is down significantly, and the disproportionate impact of COVID is showing in those figures. Under the State budget, the California Community Colleges will be "held harmless" until academic year 2024-2025.

7. Ethnic Studies Update – previously referenced

8. Sustainable Environment Institute Co-Director Job Announcement

Echeverri reported on additional funding from the LACCD Chancellor Francisco Rodriguez and some from DAS permitting more reassigned time for current SEI (Sustainable Environment Institute) Coordinator George Leddy as well as a co-

462	coordinator who can work with district faculty to include sustainability topics in their
463	curriculum. The total reassigned time for SEI will be 1.0 FTEF. A draft job description for
464	the co-coordinator (reassigned time of .6 FTEF) has been written and the position will be
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466	consider this position.
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468	Given the lateness of the hour, the following topics were postponed to the next
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471	9. District level support for CPL (Credit for Prior Learning)
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476	11. Update on Administrative Retreat Rights and Tutor Classifications
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478	12. Other Concerns
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480	<u>Reports</u>
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487	Treasurer – submitted electronically
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489	Other Reports:
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491	Academic Technology
492	Professional Development College – submitted electronically
493	Hard-to-convert courses
494	DE Training Workgroup
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	Upcoming Meetings:
499	LACCO Board Mosting, Wadnesday, Contamber 1, 2021, Zoom
500 501	LACCD Board Meeting: Wednesday, September 1, 2021 – Zoom
501	DAS Executive Committee: Friday, September 4, 2021 – Zoom District Budget Committee: Wednesday, September 8, 2021 – Zoom
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503 504	DAS Meeting: Thursday, September 9, 2021 – Zoom Consultation: Friday, August 13, 2021 – Zoom

505	Board Standing Committees: Wednesday, September 22, 2021 – Zoom
506	District Summit: Friday, September 24, 2021 – Zoom
507	ASCCC Area C Meeting: Saturday, October 16, 2021?
508	ASCCC Fall 2021 Plenary Session: November 4-6, 2021
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510	Adjournment
511	The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 p.m.
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513	Respectfully submitted by Lourdes M. Brent, DAS Secretary