

# LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

### MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, September 17, 2014

Public Session 3:30 p.m.

Educational Services Center • Board Room

770 Wilshire Boulevard • Los Angeles, California 90017

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD) was called to order at 3:32 p.m. with President Scott J. Svonkin presiding.

Trustee Pearlman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

President Svonkin indicated that the Board would adjourn the meeting in memory of all of the victims of "9/11" and the first responders who gave their lives on September 11, 2001.

On roll call the following members were present: Mike Eng, Mona Field, Ernest H. Moreno, Nancy Pearlman, and Scott J. Svonkin. Absent: Miguel Santiago (arrived at 3:37 p.m.) and Steve Veres (arrived at 3:38 p.m.). Student Trustee LaMont G. Jackson was present.

Chancellor Francisco C. Rodriguez was present.

### REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES OF EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS AT THE RESOURCE TABLE

The following individuals reported from the Resource Table:

Ms. Velma Butler, President, AFT College Staff Guild, Local 1521A; Ms. Diva Sanchez, Representative, SEIU Local 99; and Ms. Joanne Waddell, President, Los Angeles College Faculty Guild, Local 1521.

(Trustee Santiago arrived at 3:37 p.m.)

(Trustee Veres arrived at 3:38 p.m.)

### ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM COLLEGE PRESIDENTS

President Svonkin expressed his appreciation to East Los Angeles College (ELAC) for hosting the event on September 11, 2014 during which Chancellor Rodriguez was recognized by the Executive Latino Leadership Association (ELLA).

Dr. Ann Tomlinson, Vice President, Administrative Services, ELAC, announced that the City of Monterey Park would be recognizing ELAC as one of the top 25 businesses in Monterey Park at an event to be held on Thursday, September 18, 2014.

Dr. John al-Amin, Vice President, Administrative Services, Los Angeles City College (LACC), announced that The Honorable Holly Mitchell, State Senator, 26<sup>th</sup> District, will conduct a forum at LACC on Friday, October 3, 2014 from 8 to 11 a.m. The topic of the forum will be "Attacking Poverty by Connecting College Education & Workforce Development." He further announced that The Honorable Kevin De León, State Senator, 22<sup>nd</sup> District will host a job fair at LACC on Thursday, October 9, 2014 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Dr. al-Amin announced that a faculty art show entitled "Stable Mates" will be held beginning on Wednesday, October 1, 2014 with an opening reception from 4 to 7 p.m.

## **PUBLIC AGENDA REQUESTS**

### **Oral Presentations**

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

President Svonkin entertained a motion to allocate two minutes each for the speakers regarding Health Reimbursement Arrangements (HRAs).

Motion by Trustee Field, seconded by Trustee Moreno, to allocate two minutes per speaker.

*Student Trustee Advisory Vote: No (Jackson)*

*APPROVED: 6 Ayes (Eng, Field, Moreno, Santiago, Svonkin, Veres)*

*1 No (Pearlman)*

The following individuals addressed the Board regarding HRAs and the importance of continuing to provide HRAs to LACCD employees:

Mr. Navaratnam Nandakumaran, Ms. Milagros Castillo, Ms. Angela Miller, Ms. Fern Reisner, Ms. Bonnie Sherman, Mr. James McKeever, Mr. Brian Walsh, Mr. James Owens, Ms. Tiffany Jackson, Ms. Kathleen Beckett, Mr. Filiberto Barajas, Dr. Annie Reed, and Mr. Ron Miller.

Scheduled speaker Mr. James Armstrong was not present.

Ms. Phyllis Eckler addressed the Board regarding the need to increase the health, dental, and vision benefit coverage for adjunct faculty members. She distributed a copy of her remarks.

### **Proposed Actions**

None.

## **REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD – MULTIPLE AGENDA MATTERS**

None.

## **REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE BOARD**

### **Reports of Standing and Special Committees**

Trustee Eng reported on the Institutional Effectiveness & Student Success Committee meeting.

Trustee Moreno reported on the Budget & Finance Committee meeting.

Student Trustee Jackson reported that "LACCD Day" at the Los Angeles County Fair was very successful. He indicated that as a result of this success, the LACCD was invited to participate in the So Cal College Fair, which is uniquely geared towards providing the tools, knowledge, and resources to students seeking higher education, to be held on October 7, 2014 at the Fairplex in Pomona. He indicated that students from more than 60 high schools within 13 partnering school districts will have the opportunity to participate in this event.

Student Trustee Jackson announced that Los Angeles Trade-Technical College (LATTC) is hosting a breakfast meeting with the California Prison Industry Authority (CALPIA) on Friday, September 26, 2014. The purpose of this event is to invite employers to learn of the training, skills, and work experience that can be offered by inmates assigned to CALPIA.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

### **Matters Requiring a Majority Vote**

Com. No. FPD1. Facilities Planning and Development Routine Report

Motion by Trustee Moreno, seconded by Trustee Field, to adopt Com. No. FPD1

*Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Aye (Jackson)*

*ADOPTED: 7 Ayes*

### **Matters Requiring a Super Majority Vote**

None.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE CHANCELLOR**

Com. No. CH1. Appointment to the District Citizens' Oversight Committee for Propositions A/AA and Measure J Bond Programs

Motion by Trustee Moreno, seconded by Trustee Field, to adopt Com. No. CH1.

*Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Aye (Jackson)*

*ADOPTED: 7 Ayes*

## **RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

## **NOTICE REPORTS AND INFORMATIVES**

Com. No. BF/A. [Notice] Adoption of 2015-2016 Budget Development Calendar

Noticed by Chancellor Rodriguez.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INDICATIONS OF FUTURE PROPOSED ACTIONS**

None.

## **REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES – CLOSED SESSION AGENDA MATTERS**

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

The following individuals addressed the Board on behalf of Ms. Bridget Lynn Perez regarding Com. No. HRD1. Disciplinary Action Regarding Classified Employees Roman Numeral I. Dismissal of Classified Permanent Employees Item A. as it relates to the recommended dismissal of Ms. Perez:

Mr. Reginald McCoy, Mr. Galen Bullock, and Mr. LaMont Jackson.

Ms. Perez addressed the Board regarding the charges against her. She distributed a copy of her remarks.

Mr. Eddie Powell addressed the Board on behalf of Ms. Perez.

With respect to Com. No. HRD1. Roman Numeral I. Item B., Mr. Malik Holmes addressed the Board regarding the charges against him.

The following individuals addressed the Board on behalf of Mr. Holmes:

Ms. Diva Sanchez and Mr. James Bradley.

Ms. Sanchez distributed a copy of her remarks.

### **RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION**

There being no objection, the regular meeting 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 regular meeting recessed to Closed Session at 4:53 p.m.

(Student Trustee Jackson left the meeting at 4:54 p.m.)

### **RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the LACCD reconvened at 7:45 p.m. with President Scott J. Svonkin presiding.

The Board members were present with the exception of Trustee Veres and Student Trustee Jackson.

Chancellor Francisco C. Rodriguez was present.

### **REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION – SEPTEMBER 17, 2014**

President Svonkin indicated that The Ralph M. Brown Act requires that certain matters be reported during the public session that follows.

The Board accepted a settlement with Bernard Brothers for the Library project at Los Angeles Pierce College for just under \$200,000, and with Suffolk Construction for a project at Los Angeles Trade-Technical College for just under \$200,000. The vote on both was unanimous.

The Board took no further actions required to be reported.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

#### **Matters Requiring a Majority Vote**

Com. No. HRD1. Disciplinary Action Regarding Classified Employees Roman Numeral I. Dismissal of Classified Permanent Employees Item A.

Motion by Trustee Moreno, seconded by Trustee Santiago, to adopt Com. No. HRD1. Roman Numeral I. Item A.

*ADOPTED: 4 Ayes (Eng, Moreno, Santiago, Svonkin) Absent: Trustee Veres  
1 No (Pearlman)  
1 Abstention (Field)*

Com. No. HRD1. Roman Numeral I. Item B.

Motion by Trustee Moreno, seconded by Trustee Field, to adopt Com. No. HRD1. Roman Numeral I. Item B.

*ADOPTED: 6 Ayes Absent: Trustee Veres*


**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no objection, the regular meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m. in memory of all of the victims of "9/11" and the first responders who gave their lives on September 11, 2001.

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

By: Laurie Green  
Laurie Green  
Assistant Secretary to the Board

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

  
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Scott J. Svonkin  
President of the Board

Date October 8, 2014



# Board of Trustees

LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT  
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## AGENDA

### ATTACHMENT A

#### CLOSED SESSION

Wednesday, September 17, 2014

#### Educational Services Center Hearing Room – First Floor

770 Wilshire Boulevard  
Los Angeles, CA 90017

- I. **Public Employee Evaluation**  
(pursuant to Government Code section 54957)
  1. Position: Chief Facilities Executive
  2. Position: Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer
  3. Position: General Counsel
  4. Position: Vice Chancellor for Economic and Workforce Development
  5. Position: Interim Vice Chancellor for Educational Programs and Institutional Effectiveness
  6. Position: Vice Chancellor for Human Resources
- II. **Conference with Labor Negotiator**  
(pursuant to Government Code section 54957.6)
  - A. District Negotiators: Adriana D. Barrera  
Albert Román  
  
Employee Units: All Units  
  
All Unrepresented Employees

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B. District Negotiators: Albert Román  
Renee Martinez

Employee Unit: Academic Administrators, Teamsters Local 911

C. District Negotiators: Albert Román  
Monte Perez

Employee Unit: SEIU Local 99

**III. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Charges/Complaints**  
(pursuant to Government Code section 54957)

**IV. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation**  
(pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1))

A. *Jane Doe v. LACCD*

B. *Deonte Williams v. LACCD*

C. *First Fire v. Suffolk Construction Company, Inc., LACCD, et al.*

D. *Quality Production Services, Inc., v. Suffolk Construction Company, Inc., LACCD, et al.*

E. *Construction Laborers Trust Funds v. Alpha 1 Construction, LACCD, et al.*

**V. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation**  
(pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9)

1. Claim regarding project at Los Angeles Trade-Technical College

2. Claim regarding project at Los Angeles Pierce College