

LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

**Wednesday, May 27, 2015
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 3:30 p.m. with President Scott J. Svonkin presiding.

On roll call the following members were present: Mike Eng, Mona Field, Mike Fong, Ernest H. Moreno, Nancy Pearlman, Scott J. Svonkin, and Steve Veres. Student Trustee LaMont G. Jackson was present.

Chancellor Francisco C. Rodriguez was present.

Trustee Fong led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

President Svonkin noted that Monday, May 25 was Memorial Day and acknowledged all of the veterans who have served the United States including those who made the ultimate sacrifice. He indicated that the Board meeting would be adjourned in the memory of the American servicemen and servicewomen who have died. He indicated that the Board meeting would also be adjourned in the memory of Ms. Perrin Reid, former LACCD employee, who passed away on Tuesday, May 5, and Mr. Casey D. Maloney, Los Angeles Pierce College student and recent recipient of an honorary Associate of Arts degree, who passed away on Monday, May 18.

REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES OF EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS AT THE RESOURCE TABLE

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM COLLEGE PRESIDENTS

Dr. Erika A. Endrijonas, President, Los Angeles Valley College (LAVC), announced that on Thursday, May 28, she would be attending the Valley Economic Alliance Board meeting during which six members of the LAVC Speech Team will receive the Steve Allen Excellence in Education Award for their performance in the Phi Rho Pi Speech and Debate Nationals Championship on April 9-11. She further announced that on June 3, she will travel to Oakland, California to present the LAVC Accreditation Follow-up Report to the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC).

Dr. Linda D. Rose, President, Los Angeles Southwest College (LASC), announced that on the evening of Thursday, May 28, LASC will celebrate its 48th annual graduation ceremony.

Dr. Monte E. Perez, President, Los Angeles Mission College (LAMC), announced that during the week of June 1, LAMC will hold a three-day retreat with 25 faculty members entitled "Courage to Teach," which is a student-equity activity to improve the quality of teaching for both new and veteran faculty members.

Mr. Laurence B. Frank, President, Los Angeles Trade-Technical College (LATTC), expressed his appreciation to Trustee Veres for serving as the emcee at the LATTC 90th anniversary event that was held on Thursday, May 21. He further announced that the Los Angeles City Council has invited LATTC to attend the Council meeting on Friday, May 29 at 10:00 a.m. in order to be presented with a certificate in recognition of the College's 90th anniversary. He invited the Board members to join him at this event. He further announced that on the evening of Friday, May 29, LATTC will hold the Gold Thimble Fashion Show and that Kanye West is planning to attend this event in order to encourage the students who are graduating.

Chancellor Rodriguez announced that Dr. Nabil Abu-Ghazaleh, President, West Los Angeles College (WLAC), will be leaving the District in approximately one month to start his new position as President of Grossmont College. On behalf of the Board of Trustees, Chancellor Rodriguez congratulated Dr. Abu-Ghazaleh and expressed his appreciation for Dr. Abu-Ghazaleh's service to the District.

- East Los Angeles College Presentation: Speech Team 2015 National Champions

Mr. Marvin Martinez, President, East Los Angeles College (ELAC), congratulated the members of the ELAC Speech Team for winning the 2015 National Speech Competition. He introduced Mr. J. Edward Stevenson, Assistant Professor, Communication Studies, and Mr. Ryan Smith, Associate Professor, Communication Studies.

Mr. Stevenson and Mr. Smith congratulated the students and expressed their appreciation to the Board members for their support of the ELAC Speech Team.

President Svonkin requested that the Speech Team members introduce themselves and indicate which categories they competed in, where they finished, and where they are planning to continue their education. The following students provided this information:

Ms. Chloe Romero, Mr. Gordon Ip, Mr. Israel Beltran, Ms. Justyne Gutierrez, Mr. Thomas Martinez, Ms. Liliana Dung, Mr. Esteban Terrazas, Mr. Manuel Jaro, and Mr. Steven Fuel.

PUBLIC AGENDA REQUESTS

Oral Presentations

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

Scheduled speaker Mr. Steve Rhodes was not present.

Former Los Angeles City Councilman Robert C. Farrell addressed the Board regarding a potential alliance between the LACCD and the Peralta Community College District for a creative program with the People's Republic of Cuba. He requested that the Board consider looking into this alliance.

Mr. Nehasi R. Lee expressed his appreciation to Student Trustee Jackson for his efforts in representing the students during his tenure and wished him well in his future endeavors.

Proposed Actions

None.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE BOARD (continued)

Reports of Standing and Special Committees

Trustee Fong reported on the May 5 meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee on Summer Youth Employment Program.

Trustee Moreno reported on the meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee on Outreach and Recruitment.

Trustee Veres reported on the Facilities Master Planning & Oversight Committee meeting.

Trustee Eng reported on the Institutional Effectiveness & Student Success Committee meeting. He announced that the LACCD is one of only a handful of community college districts and K-12 districts to be awarded a \$15 million Career Pathways Trust Grant.

Chancellor Rodriguez acknowledged Dr. Felicito "Chito" Cajayon, Vice Chancellor, Economic and Workforce Development, for his efforts in obtaining this grant for the LACCD.

Trustee Pearlman reported on the meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee on Environmental Stewardship.

Proposed Actions

The following action items, considered as a part as if fully set forth hereto and certified copies of which will be on file in the Office of the Board of Trustees, were presented by the Board of Trustees and action taken as indicated.

Com. No. BT1. Resolution – In Appreciation of Student Trustee LaMont G. Jackson

Motion by Trustee Pearlman, seconded by Trustee Field, to adopt Com. No. BT1. as follows:

The following resolution is presented by Board Members Eng, Field, and Pearlman:

WHEREAS, LaMont G. Jackson has been an active member of the Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles Community College District during his tenure as its student representative; and

WHEREAS, Student Trustee Jackson has been an effective student leader, as demonstrated by his efforts to fully represent the needs of the students; and

- WHEREAS, Student Trustee Jackson, during his tenure on the Board, moved affirmatively to increase and strengthen the role of students in all areas of governance; and
- WHEREAS, Student Trustee Jackson ensured meaningful student participation in policy discussions by working to ensure the engagement and representation of ASO Presidents at all meetings of the Student Affairs Committee; and
- WHEREAS, Student Trustee Jackson in collaboration with Trustee Mike Eng and the entire Board worked on the LACCD Covered California Week; and
- WHEREAS, Student Trustee Jackson worked diligently to ensure a student voice in the development and consultation of District policy; and
- WHEREAS, Student Trustee Jackson exemplified the quality of students served by the Los Angeles Community College District; and
- WHEREAS, During his tenure on the Board, Student Trustee LaMont G. Jackson has impacted the District; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles Community College District does hereby recognize LaMont G. Jackson for his exemplary service to the Board, the students, and the Los Angeles Community College District.

Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Aye (Jackson)
ADOPTED: 7 Ayes

Student Trustee Jackson introduced his wife and announced that they have just celebrated their 15th wedding anniversary. He expressed his appreciation to the Representatives at the Resource Table, the College Presidents, the District administrators, the Board members, and Chancellor Rodriguez for their support during his tenure as Student Trustee.

Trustees Pearlman, Eng, Field, Veres, and Fong and President Svonkin expressed their appreciation to Student Trustee Jackson and wished him well in his future endeavors.

Com. No. BT2. Authorize Conference Attendance

Motion by Trustee Pearlman, seconded by Trustee Moreno, to adopt Com. No. BT2. as follows:

The following motion is presented by President Svonkin, and Trustees Field and Fong.

WHEREAS, Education Code Section 72023.5 establishes the role of a student board member; and

WHEREAS, This Education Code section requires annual review by the governing board of its rules and regulations regarding student board member rights and privileges; and

- WHEREAS, The Student Trustee of the Los Angeles Community College District represents approximately 150,000 students in the nine-college system; and
- WHEREAS, The primary role of the Student Trustee is that of representing to the Board the views and concerns of the students; and
- WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles Community College District is committed to providing its Student Trustee with appropriate parliamentary and governing experience and in assisting in the goal of representing the voice of the students; and
- WHEREAS, Reaffirming the rights and privileges of the Student Trustee recognizes the role of students as active participants in the democratic process; and
- WHEREAS, As a symbol of institutional identity and as a means of fostering student participation and communication, the role of the Student Trustee should be affirmed; and
- WHEREAS, An advisory vote for the Student Trustee on issues impacting students affords the students with the opportunity to have their position recorded as part of the historical record; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the Student Trustee be provided with an annual travel allocation for budget-related travel; and be it further
- RESOLVED, That the Student Trustee may receive monthly compensation in accordance with Board Rule 2104.10 and other applicable rules and regulations, and may participate in the Los Angeles Community College District group benefits plan (Health, Dental, Life, Vision) during the period that he/she serves in that office, at his/her own expense; and be it further
- RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles Community College District reaffirms the existing rights of the Student Trustee to include a recording of the Student Trustee's advisory vote by the recording secretary on all matters discussed in public session, with the exception of matters concerning personnel, collective bargaining, and litigation.

Background: Education Code section 72023.5 requires the governing board of each community college district to review and affirm the rights and privileges of its student board member, which apply until May 15 of the following year. If adopted by the Board, these provisions will apply through May 15, 2016.

Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Aye (Jackson)
ADOPTED: 7 Ayes

CONSENT CALENDAR

Matters Requiring a Majority Vote

Motion by Trustee Veres, seconded by Trustee Field, to adopt the Consent Calendar on Matters Requiring a Majority Vote.

Com. No. FPD1. Authorize Construction Contract

Com. No. FPD2. Adopt Resolution Ratifying Staff's Issuance of a Request for Qualifications and Proposals under Education Code Section 81335 for the Campus Improvement Projects and Los Angeles Trade-Technical College; and Authorizing the Award of the Site Leases, Facilities Leases and Related Construction Services Agreements

Com. No. FPD3. Adopt the Next Steps Presented to the Facilities Master Planning & Oversight Committee Regarding the Los Angeles Community College District Information Technology Measure J Projects

Com. No. ISD1. Amend Board Rule Chapter VIII Article II – Academic Probation and Disqualifications

Student Trustee Advisory Vote: Aye (Jackson)
ADOPTED: 7 Ayes

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE CHANCELLOR

None.

RECESS TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

There being no objection, the regular meeting recessed to the Committee of the Whole at 4:38 p.m.

President Svonkin relinquished the gavel to Vice President Veres to chair the Committee of the Whole.

For the record, Vice President Veres noted that all of the Board members were present.

Public Speakers

None.

Presentations/Initiative Reviews

- Presentation on Americans with Disabilities Act, 25th Anniversary

A document entitled "ADA Compliance Efforts" was distributed.

Chancellor Rodriguez introduced Ms. Mardy Kuntzelman, ADA Compliance Administrator.

Ms. Kuntzelman gave a PowerPoint presentation and discussed the document with respect to the LACCD's continuous efforts to advance equal access for Americans with disabilities, facilities transition plans, the designation of College ADA Coordinators, public accommodations, employee reasonable accommodation and

the good faith interactive process, website accessibility compliance, student accommodations, ADA transition plan and self-evaluation, employee training, and resources and the ADA tool kit.

A question and answer session was conducted regarding the presentation.

- Presentation Regarding Potential Realignment of Election Cycles for Trustees

A document entitled "Resolution for Aligning Board Member Elections with Los Angeles City Charter Amendment 1 Approved March 3, 2015" was distributed.

Chancellor Rodriguez introduced Mr. Michael Toy, Attorney at Law and Partner, Parker & Covert LLP.

Mr. Toy discussed the following four options with respect to aligning Board of Trustees elections with City of Los Angeles elections:

- Option 1 - Continue alignment with City of Los Angeles elections after Charter Amendment 1. The LACCD can continue to take advantage of the recent amendments to Education Code section 72031 by calling for winner-take-all elections instead of primary and general elections.
- Option 2 - Discontinue alignment with City elections by conducting elections in odd numbered years in November. If coordinated with the County of Los Angeles Registrar, such an election could be requested for November 2017 instead of the upcoming March 2017 City election.
- Option 3 - Discontinue alignment with City elections by conducting elections in even numbered years in November, which would require a statutory request to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors to consolidate with the County Registrar elections.
- Option 4 - Amend Education Code section 72031 and adopt an Education Code provision that would allow the LACCD to consolidate with the County's November elections in even numbered years.

A question and answer session was conducted regarding the four options for realigning the Board of Trustees elections.

Other Business

None.

Adjournment of the Committee of the Whole

There being no objection, Vice President Veres adjourned the Committee of the Whole at 5:14 p.m.

Vice President Veres relinquished the gavel to President Svonkin.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the LACCD reconvened at 5:14 p.m. with President Scott J. Svonkin presiding.

For the record, President Svonkin noted that all of the Board members were present.

Chancellor Francisco C. Rodriguez was present.

NOTICE REPORTS AND INFORMATIVES

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INDICATIONS OF FUTURE PROPOSED ACTIONS

None.

There being no objection, President Svonkin declared a two-minute recess.

The regular meeting was recessed at 5:15 p.m. and reconvened at 5:17 p.m.

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

Mr. Mike Ford addressed the Board on behalf of Mr. Steve Harvey regarding Mr. Harvey's dismissal hearing.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

President Svonkin indicated that under The Ralph M. Brown Act, the Board will be meeting with its representatives regarding collective bargaining. Due to an unexpected illness, the Board will be meeting with representatives Nabil Abu-Ghazaleh and Monica Martinez.

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 5:20 p.m.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the LACCD reconvened at 7:49 p.m. with President Scott J. Svonkin presiding.

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

Chancellor Francisco C. Rodriguez was present.

REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION – MAY 27, 2015

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

With regard to FTR International v. LACCD, the Board determined not to file a cross-petition before the California Supreme Court. The vote was unanimous.

The Board voted unanimously to file a motion for reconsideration in LACCD v. Harvey.

The Board took no further actions that The Ralph M. Brown Act requires to be reported.

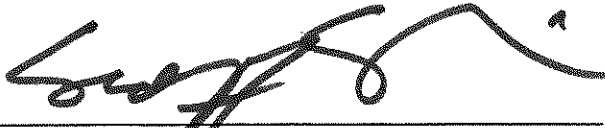
ADJOURNMENT

There being no objection, the regular meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

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:



President of the Board

Date July 8, 2015



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AGENDA

ATTACHMENT A

CLOSED SESSION

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**Educational Services Center
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- I. **Public Employment**
(pursuant to Government Code section 54957)
 - A. Interim President, West Los Angeles College

- II. **Conference with Labor Negotiator**
(pursuant to Government Code section 54957.6)
 - A. District Negotiators: Albert Román
Adriana D. Barrera

Employee Unit: Clerical/Technical – Local 1521A

- 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. *Ewan Paymah v. LACCD, et al.*
 - B. *Del icia Mosley v. LACCD, et al.*
 - C. *Jane Fealy v. LACCD*
 - D. *Lior Agam v. LACCD, et al.*
 - E. *FTR International v. LACCD, et al.,*

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- V. Conference with Legal Counsel - Potential Litigation**
(pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2) and (e)(2))
 - A. Claim for construction work at Harbor College
 - B. Potential unfair labor practice charge regarding classified employees

- VI. Conference with Legal Counsel - Potential Litigation**
(pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2) and (e)(1))
 - A. Potential litigation – 1 matter



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AGENDA

ADDENDUM

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

F. LACCD v. Asylum Productions