



# Board of Trustees

Los Angeles Community College District

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**Subject: RESOLUTION – ACCESS AND EQUITY METRICS IN CONTRACTS AND PROCUREMENT – EQUITY METRICS DATA INITIATIVE (EDMI)**

The following resolution is presented by Board Members Kamlager and Fong:

WHEREAS, The Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD) Board of Trustees seeks to continue and further its mission to provide access and equity to all businesses and vendors to contribute to the economic development of the local community; and

WHEREAS, The LACCD Board of Trustees believes that the growth and success of access and equity to businesses is critical to our local economic strength and to helping the greater Los Angeles area compete in today's global marketplace; and

WHEREAS, In examining the issue of fairness when allocating general or bond funds a public institution such as LACCD should examine access and equity disparities in construction, leasing, procurement and purchasing of goods, services and equipment; and

WHEREAS, In order to build trust between LACCD and the communities it serves, equity and fairness must be inculcated into the way LACCD administers programs and conducts its daily affairs; and

WHEREAS, A robust data collection program that monitors performance on metrics associated with access and equity is essential to effectuate the objectives stated above; and

Chancellor and Secretary of the Board of Trustees	Buelna	<u>ML</u>	Moreno	<u>✓</u>
	Fong	<u>✓</u>	Svonkin	<u>SV</u>
	Hoffman	<u>✓</u>	Veres	<u>✓</u>
	By _____	Date _____	Kamlager	<u>✓</u>
			Martinez	<u>AYA</u> Student Trustee Advisory Vote

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WHEREAS, In order to evaluate the degree to which equity and access are priorities in the LACCD procurement and contracts operations, and to assess whether these operations have equitable impacts, specific pertinent data must be collected; and

WHEREAS, LACCD promotes accessible and equitable contracting opportunities at many public outreach and procurement events, in publications, and at contracting information meetings, and more; and

WHEREAS, LACCD businesses and vendors should have transparent access to this information so that perceived inequities can be disabused, and real disparities can be addressed; and

WHEREAS, The proposed Equity Metrics Data Initiative (EDMI) will establish the framework to compare procurement and contracts access and equity to demographics and service locations to determine whether geographic or other categorical disparities exist; and now therefore be it

RESOLVED That the Los Angeles Community College District Board of Trustees hereby establishes its EDMI that will advance LACCD' efforts to fairly and optimally serve all of the constituencies and communities within the District's service area based on the well-established precedent of fairness and equity in the delivery of services; and be it further

RESOLVED That the LACCD EDMI shall collect data and increase transparency in the two following core metrics categories pertaining to LACCD operations, namely:

**Procurement and Contracting:** to provide all LACCD service area businesses, including small, local, emerging, disabled and veterans enterprises, with fair and equitable opportunities to compete for contracts for goods and services; and

**Employment:** to ensure all service area residents have equal access to LACCD employment opportunities and training programs.

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RESOLVED That LACCD shall establish five to ten defined metrics to provide information regarding implementation of the policies set forth herein; and be it further

RESOLVED That the LACCD shall obtain input from key stakeholders on the development of the EMDI and that the Chancellor shall report to the Board on the development, implementation, and results of the EMDI.

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