

**LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
Educational Services Center
Board Room – First Floor
770 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, California 90017**

**Friday, May 9, 2014
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

Committee: Michael J. Griggs, Chair; Celena Alcalá, ESC; LaMont Jackson, LASC; Alexia Johnson, LAVC; Bobbi Kimble, ESC; M. Sonia Lopez, ELAC; Benny Lumpkins, LACC; Sonny Martinez, ELAC; Raymond McDaniel, WLAC; Patsy Morales, LAHC; Rosemary Sterling, LATTCC

Student Trustee Griggs called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

A quorum was present.

The following colleges were present: ELAC, LACC, LAHC, LASC, LATTCC, LAVC, and WLAC

Absent: LAMC and LAPC

PUBLIC AGENDA SPEAKERS

Mr. John Noyola and Ms. Zaakiyah Brisker addressed the SAC regarding the alleged misappropriation of student funds at LATTCC. They indicated that they would be attending the Board meeting on May 14, 2014 at LASC to address the Board of Trustees regarding this issue.

ASSOCIATED STUDENT BODY PRESIDENTS' REPORTS

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

Mr. Benny Lumpkins, LACC; Ms. Rosemary Sterling, LATTCC; Ms. Alexia Johnson, LAVC; Mr. Sonny Martinez, ELAC; Ms. Patsy Morales, LAHC; Mr. Raymond McDaniel, WLAC; and Mr. LaMont Jackson, LASC.

STUDENT TRUSTEE MONTHLY REPORT

Student Trustee Griggs reported that the Board of Trustees would be instituting new practices in Fall 2014 with respect to student success that will assist students in planning their college careers. He indicated that it has been an honor for him to serve as the Student Trustee for the past year and expressed his appreciation for having had this opportunity.

LIAISON REPORTS

District Office Report

Dr. Celena Alcalá reported that all of the Student Trustee ballots have been received and that the ballot counting would take place following the SAC meeting.

ASO/ASU/ASG Advisors Report

Ms. M. Sonia Lopez indicated that the Advisors have not met; therefore, there is no report.

Chief Student Services Officers (CSSO) Report

No report.

District Academic Senate (DAS) Report

No report.

MATTERS FOR/OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Student Trustee Griggs indicated that he would discuss the issue regarding the LATTC student funds during his report at the Board meeting of May 14, 2014.

STUDENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (SIS) MODERNIZATION PROJECT MONTHLY UPDATE REPORT

No report.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Election Day Voter Registration

Mr. Denny Zane indicated that the legislation that provides for election day voter registration was passed in 2012 and was signed into law by the Governor of California. He indicated that the data base system for voter registration needs to be updated in order to ensure that there is no double voting in different locations. The data base needs to be certified by the end of 2015 in order for November 2016 to become the first roll-out of the actual election day registration. He indicated that if the community colleges had polling places on campus that could provide voter registration at the same time, this would facilitate greater student participation in elections. He stated that provisional ballots would be used for this purpose.

Ms. Bobbi Kimble indicated that she would check with the Office of General Counsel regarding the legality of having polling places on the campuses.

ACTION ITEMS

Resolution – Student Transit Pass Program (DRAFT)

The draft resolution was distributed.

Mr. Zane discussed the resolution as it relates to the proposal to utilize auction proceeds from the Cap-and-Trade Program to fund the student transit pass program.

Ms. Diana Ho explained the student transit pass program.

Motion by Ms. Morales, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to table this item until the Student Affairs Committee meeting of June 13, 2014 so that the new ASO/ASU/ASG Presidents can be present.

*APPROVED: 5 Ayes (ELAC, LACC, LAHC, LASC, WLAC)
2 Noes (LATTC, LAVC)*

Tabled until the SAC meeting of June 9, 2013.

Ms. Kimble indicated that she would verify the accuracy of the statistics in the resolution with respect to the number of student transit passes that were sold to LACCD students from 2009 to 2011. She recommended that the resolution be amended as follows:

WHEREAS, Access to a college education is essential to expanded career choice and future vocational or professional success for California's young adults; and

- WHEREAS, The cost of higher education is a major impediment to access to a college education and expanded career choices for California's young adults; and
- WHEREAS, In California, community college students must often bear not only the cost of tuition and books in their pursuit of higher education, but they must also bear the excessive cost of transportation to and from campus and, for many, to jobs as well; together such costs are a major barrier to education access; and
- WHEREAS, It has been demonstrated that a well-designed student transit pass program can produce significantly increased student transit ridership and can result in significant reductions in automobile trips, miles traveled, criteria pollutants, greenhouse gas emissions, and traffic congestion; and
- WHEREAS, Universal student transit pass programs have been successfully implemented at 101 colleges and universities in the United States, including Seattle, Washington; Chicago, Illinois; Vancouver, British Columbia; Riverside, California; Ann Arbor, Michigan; Tempe, Arizona; and Austin, Texas as well as communities in Alaska, Colorado, Florida, Minnesota, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Florida, Utah, and Wisconsin, and have successfully lowered the cost of transportation and facilitated access to a college education for many young adults; and
- ~~WHEREAS, From 2009 to 2011, the Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD) offered a two-and-one-half-year Districtwide Student Transit Pass Program for full-time students at its nine colleges and during that period, 88,468 student transit passes were sold at a steep discount to LACCD students and were used for a total of 13.2 million trips on Metro buses and trains, resulting in a potential reduction of millions of automobile trips as well as a reduction in transportation costs for these students; and~~
- ~~WHEREAS, While the LACCD Student Transit Pass Program required an investment of approximately \$2.2 million each year paid for with construction mitigation funds, it recouped approximately \$530,000 per year in the sale of deeply discounted passes to students; and~~
- ~~WHEREAS, In 2008, Santa Monica College (SMC) and the Santa Monica Big Blue Bus began the "Any Line, Any Time" program whereby SMC students and staff were able to board the Big Blue Bus on any line in the system at any time during the day or evening by simply showing their student identification; and~~
- ~~WHEREAS, The "Any Line, Any Time" program was funded partly by student approved registration fee increases of \$14 per student per semester as well as by funds from the SMC general fund; and~~
- ~~WHEREAS, Now more than five years later, because of the "Any Line, Any Time" program, student transit ridership has increased dramatically and the Pico Line 7 SMC bus stop is now the busiest stop in the entire Big Blue Bus system while previously it was not even the busiest bus stop on Pico Blvd.; and~~
- WHEREAS, A key to success of student transit passes is the availability of funds to reduce the cost of transit use to students; and
- WHEREAS, The State of California has initiated an innovative Cap-and-Trade Program as part of the implementation of its Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emission Reduction Program mandated by AB 32 (Nuñez and Pavley) whereby emission allowances are purchased in auction by affected industries generating public funds for use in California to invest in GHG emission reductions; and

- WHEREAS, Estimates have suggested that the Cap-and-Trade Program proceeds may reach \$5 billion per year by 2018 and perhaps \$1.25 billion per year for investments in GHG emission reductions in Los Angeles County; and
- WHEREAS, Governor Brown has proposed an initial budget for the Cap-and-Trade Program that would expend \$850 million in each of the 2014-15 and 2015-16 fiscal years from the Cap-and-Trade Program auction proceeds including \$100 million in a Sustainable Communities Implementation Program to be implemented through competitive grants managed by the Strategic Growth Council and which includes funds for enhancing transit ridership that may enable submission of proposals for funding a share of the cost of student transit passes; and
- WHEREAS, Senate President Pro Tem Darrell Steinberg has released an outline of anticipated legislation that proposes a framework for ongoing expenditure of Cap-and-Trade Program auction proceeds that dramatically expands the opportunity for investments in transit system and operations to 30 percent of available funds, which could include nearly \$70 million per year statewide for investments in student transit pass programs as well as significant investments in bicycle and pedestrian programs designed to improve access to transit; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the Student Affairs Committee of the Los Angeles Community College District hereby supports budget and legislative proposals that employ Cap-and-Trade Program auction proceeds to expand funding for transit services broadly and to fund student transit pass programs in particular that will reduce GHG and criteria emissions; enhance overall mobility; enhance clean, affordable, reliable access to higher education, including reducing the cost of transportation for community college students; and provide reliable access to vocational training and job placement.

Student Trustee Griggs concurred with Ms. Kimble's recommended amendments.

There was discussion regarding whether the resolution should go forward as amended at this time as opposed to tabling it.

Ms. Kimble inquired if the SAC would be asking the Board of Trustees to adopt this resolution at the first Board meeting in July 2014.

Student Trustee Griggs responded in the affirmative.

By consensus of the SAC, the motion to table was reconsidered.

Student Trustee Griggs entertained a motion to adopt the resolution as amended.

Motion by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Lumpkins, to adopt the resolution as amended.

ADOPTED AS AMENDED: 7 Ayes

CONSULTATION ITEMS

None.

SAC OUTSIDE COMMITTEE REPORTS

District Academic Senate (DAS) – Student Representative

- May 8, 2014 – Alexia Johnson, ASU President, LAVC – Student Representative

No report.

District Budget Committee (DBC) – LaMont Jackson, ASO President, LASC – Student Representative

Mr. Jackson indicated that he was unable to attend the DBC meeting on April 16, 2014. Therefore, there is no report.

District Curriculum Committee – Alexia Johnson, ASU President, LAVC – Student Representative

No report.

District Citizens' Oversight Committee (DCOC) – LaMont Jackson, ASO President, LASC – Student Representative

Mr. Jackson indicated that the DCOC meeting scheduled for April 25, 2014 was cancelled due to the lack of a quorum.

LACCD Sheriff's Oversight Committee – Eduardo Vargas, ASU President, ELAC – Student Representative

No report.

RESOURCE TABLE STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE – MAY 14, 2014 (LASC) AND MAY 28, 2014 (ESC)

Mr. Jackson will serve as the Student Representative at the Resource Table for the Board meetings of May 14, 2014 and May 28, 2014.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

SUMMARY – NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Student Affairs Committee is scheduled for Friday, June 13, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. The deadline for submitting agenda items is Monday, June 2, 2014.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 10:32 a.m.