



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

**Friday, June 10, 2016
9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

Committee: Alexa Victoriano, Chair; Bobbi Kimble, ESC; Earic B. Dixon-Peters, LAPC; Bryant Woodert, LACC; Aurora Paredes, ELAC; Gabriel Cabrera, LAHC; John Eleby, LATTTC; and Harpreet Singh, WLAC.

Student Trustee Victoriano called the meeting to order at 9:50 a.m.

The following colleges were present: LACC, ELAC, LAHC, LATTTC, and WLAC

Absent: LAMC, LAPC, LASC and LAVC

A quorum was present.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS

Mr. Lavel Berry, LACC, spoke regarding the importance of student representation on outside District committees, and volunteered to be the student representative for future District Citizen's Oversight Committee meetings and District Budget Committee meetings.

Ms. Leila Menzies, Business Services, ESC, introduced herself to the Committee and offered her assistance regarding today's discussion item on the Food Services Resolution.

Mr. Ali Asghar, ASO Senator, LAPC, emailed a message to Student Trustee Victoriano which she read aloud in the meeting. Mr. Asghar expressed his thanks to both Mr. Gerson Liahut-Sanchez and Mr. Milo Anderson for their work as Student Trustee throughout the past year, and also expressed congratulations to Ms. Victoriano for being elected as the 2016-17 Student Trustee. Mr. Asghar emphasized the importance of AB 2222, the Assembly Bill to establish the student transit pass program, which is on the verge of being passed.

ASSOCIATED STUDENT BODY PRESIDENTS' REPORTS

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

Mr. Bryant Woodert, LACC; Ms. Aurora Paredes, ELAC; Mr. John Eleby, LATTC; Mr. Gabriel Cabrera, LAHC; and Mr. Harpreet Singh, WLAC.

STUDENT TRUSTEE MONTHLY REPORT

Student Trustee Victoriano stated that she was grateful for the support she received during her campaign for the Student Trustee position, and is looking forward to accomplishing many tasks in the coming year. She congratulated those SAC members that are graduating this year.

LIAISON REPORTS

ASO/ASU/ASG Advisors' Report – Sonia Lopez, Liaison

No report. (Absent)

Chief Student Service Officers' (CSSO) Report – Eric B. Dixon-Peters, Liaison

Dr. Dixon-Peters congratulated the SAC members for reaching the end of the year. He stated the importance of looking at how many students are transferring to higher educational institutions as well as annual student completion rates. He encouraged the SAC members to discuss tracking the student completion rates of the student leaders on their campus with their respective ASO/ASU/ASG Advisors.

Dr. Dixon-Peters reminded the Committee to take time over the summer to think about their goals for the coming year; and suggested that the SAC needs its own website.

Educational Services Center Report – Bobbi Kimble, Liaison

Ms. Kimble asked for volunteers to participate in a meeting to set up this year's Student Leadership Institute agenda and distributed a copy of an agenda from September 13, 2013 as a reference. Mr. John Eleby and Mr. Bryant Woodert volunteered to assist in the coordination of that meeting.

Ms. Kimble stated that the Student Trustee online voting process should be an ongoing discussion item for future SAC meetings.

She further stated that as part of the Student Success Act of 2012, noncredit courses were exempt from receiving matriculation services. However, beginning in the Fall 2016 semester, noncredit students will now be notified of matriculation services available to them.

College Presidents' Report – Laurence B. Frank, Liaison

No report. (Absent)

MATTERS FOR/OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

None.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Food Services Resolution

Mr. Woodert, LACC, stated that the Student Union building has not been completed and there is no access to any food services on campus. There is one food truck available, but it does not provide revenue to the college. Community participation is down to 18% due in part to lack of food options on campus.

Mr. Eleby, LATTC, stated that the cafeteria is not open on Fridays, even though classes do meet on Fridays. LATTC has one food truck, but it does not serve healthy food.

Ms. Paredes, ELAC, stated that there is a new cafeteria store at ELAC, but it does not serve healthy food; it sells packaged food that is too expensive for students. The cafeteria is open but does not have a food vendor yet.

Dr. Dixon-Peters stated that food services contribute to student success, and emphasized the importance of the students sharing their concerns with campus administrators.

Ms. Menzies stated that the Board has asked for a unifying food system to instill a stable environment with one vendor to manage food services at each college. In the meantime, as a short-term remedy, colleges can obtain a one-year contract with food vendors.

The food services survey that was completed by students this past year has not been released to the Board, but Ms. Menzies offered to follow up with the Deputy Chancellor's office regarding the survey results.

Student Voter Engagement

Mr. Robert Brandon, President, Fair Elections Legal Network, introduced himself and his colleague Ms. Debra Lombardi, National Field Director, and explained how their organization works with schools to share information with students about how to vote and understand voting laws in order to help create a culture of civic engagement on campuses across the United States. Opportunities for fellowships are available at LAPC and ELAC. Mr. Brandon stated that their organization is non-partisan and is endorsed by LACCD College Presidents. Hyperlinks to <http://registertovote.ca.gov/> are now posted on several LACCD College websites to let students register to vote.

Student Trustee Election Reform

Mr. Eleby, LATTC, read a statement on behalf of Mr. Ali Asghar, that highlighted some discrepancies with the Student Trustee election process and provided suggestions on how to make the Student Trustee elections better in the future. Mr. Asghar's cited discrepancies included low voter turnout, low publicity, emailed ballots getting lost in students' inbox clutter, and lack of polling stations at each college.

Mr. Woodert, LACC, suggested that students who campaign for the Student Trustee position should be allowed to have a longer time period to campaign in order to inform students who the candidates are.

Ms. Kimble clarified that the Student Trustee election process runs at the same time as the ASO President elections each year, for one week only, but she encouraged Mr. Woodert to email her his suggestions for improvement.

Student Trustee Victoriano called for volunteers to join her in an Ad Hoc Committee to examine the Student Trustee election process. Mr. Woodert volunteered to participate on this committee. Student Trustee Victoriano will contact Mr. Asghar to ask for his participation on this committee as well.

ACTION ITEMS

DCOC Student Representative – Recommendation to Fill expiring 2-year Term

Ms. Kimble stated that the DCOC student representative position will be vacant as of August 2016. This position requires a two-year commitment. Student Trustee Victoriano recommended Mr. Bryant Woodert for this position.

Mr. Woodert accepted the nomination.

Motion by Mr. Cabrera, seconded by Mr. Eleby, to vote to recommend Mr. Woodert to serve as the DCOC student representative for 2016-2018.

APPROVED: 5 Ayes (Absent: LAMC, LAPC, LASC and LAVC)

SAC OUTSIDE COMMITTEE REPORTS

District Budget Committee (DBC) – Bryant Woodert, ASG President, LACC

No report.

District Curriculum Committee (DCC) – Jackie Ambridge, ASO President, LAMC

No report. (Absent)

District Citizens' Oversight Committee (DCOC) – Michael J. Griggs, Student Representative, LAMC

No report. (Absent)

RESOURCE TABLE STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE – July 13, 2016 (ESC)

A call for volunteers was given asking for a SAC member to serve as the Student Representative at the Resource Table for the Board meeting of July 13, 2016 at the Educational Services Center. An email reminder asking for a volunteer will soon be distributed.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

SUMMARY – NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Student Affairs Committee is scheduled for Friday, July 8, 2016 at 9:30 a.m. in the Board Room at the ESC. The deadline for submitting agenda items is Monday, June 27, 2016.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.