

LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, August 22, 2012 • 12:15 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) commenced at 12:23 p.m. with President Steve Veres presiding.

The following members were present: Kelly Candaele, Mona Field, Nancy Pearlman, Miguel Santiago, Scott J. Svonkin, and Steve Veres. Absent: Tina Park (arrived at 1:20 p.m.). Student Trustee Daniel Campos was not present (arrived at 12:35 p.m.).

Chancellor Daniel J. LaVista was present.

RECESS TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

For the record, President Veres noted that he received a message from Trustee Park indicating that she would be arriving late due to a personal family matter. He indicated that he would chair the Committee of the Whole in her absence.

The regular meeting recessed to the Committee of the Whole at 12:24 p.m.

On roll call the following members were present: Kelly Candaele, Mona Field, Nancy Pearlman, Miguel Santiago, Scott J. Svonkin, and Steve Veres. Absent: Tina Park (arrived at 1:20 p.m.). Student Trustee Daniel Campos was not present (arrived at 12:35 p.m.).

Public Speakers

None.

Update on Accreditation

Dr. Yasmin Delahoussaye, Vice Chancellor, Educational Programs and Institutional Effectiveness, distributed a document entitled "Accreditation Report." She indicated that at its June 2012 meeting, the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) placed West Los Angeles College (WLAC) on warning and placed Los Angeles Harbor College (LAHC) and Los Angeles Southwest College (LASC) on probation. She discussed the document with respect to the historical data regarding colleges on sanction from 2009 through 2012 statewide and the ACCJC recommendations for the LACCD. She introduced Mr. Marvin Martinez, President, LAHC.

- Mr. Martinez introduced Mr. Jim Stanbery, Professor of Political Science and Co-Chair, Accreditation Steering Committee, LAHC, and Dr. Kristi Blackburn, Dean, Institutional Effectiveness, LAHC. Mr. Martinez indicated that actions are being undertaken to resolve the College's probation status.

A document entitled "Accreditation Action Plan for Removal of Probation presented to the LACCD Board of Trustees" was distributed.

(Student Trustee Campos arrived at 12:35 p.m.)

Mr. Stanbery gave a PowerPoint presentation and discussed the document with respect to College Recommendations #1 and #2.

Dr. Blackburn continued the PowerPoint presentation and discussed the document with respect to the Action Plan for Recommendation #1, Planning Documents, the Action Plan for Recommendation #2, and the calendar leading up to March 15, 2013.

- A document entitled "2012 Accreditation Report Update Los Angeles Southwest College" was distributed.

Dr. Jack E. Daniels III, President, LASC, discussed the document with respect to 2012 recommendations 1 through 6, key strategies in addressing the recommendations, timelines, and budget impacts.

- Mr. Nabil Abu-Ghazaleh, President, WLAC, indicated that he would make a full presentation at a meeting scheduled for October 1, 2012. He discussed the efforts being undertaken by the WLAC Accreditation Steering Committee to address the recommendations from the ACCJC.

Chancellor LaVista presented summary comments regarding the accreditation recommendations from the ACCJC.

A question and answer session was conducted regarding the accreditation update.

(Trustee Park arrived at 1:20 p.m.)

Dr. Delahoussaye indicated that a three-hour Institutional Effectiveness Committee meeting regarding accreditation will be held on October 1, 2012 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Other Business

None.

Adjournment

There being no objection, President Veres adjourned the Committee of the Whole at 1:32 p.m.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the LACCD reconvened at 1:32 p.m. with President Steve Veres presiding.

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

Chancellor Daniel J. LaVista was present.

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

None.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

President Veres indicated that there being no objection, the Board would recess 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 1:33 p.m.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the LACCD reconvened at 3:05 p.m. with President Steve Veres presiding.