

LPC Mission Statement

Las Positas College is an inclusive learning-centered institution providing educational opportunities and support for completion of students' transfer, degree, basic skills, career-technical, and retraining goals.

LPC Planning Priorities

- ❖ Establish regular and ongoing processes to implement best practices to meet ACCJC standards.
- ❖ Provide necessary institutional support for curriculum development and maintenance.
- ❖ Develop processes to facilitate ongoing meaningful assessment of SLOs and integrate assessment of SLOs into college processes.
- ❖ Expand tutoring services to meet demand and support student success in Basic Skills, CTE, and Transfer courses.

Academic Senate

Members:

Senate President: Melissa Korber

Senate VP: Tina Inzerilla, Ph.D.

Senate Secretary: Joel Gagnon

Senate Treasurer: Kimberly Tomlinson

Senate Admin Assist: Rifka Several

A&H: Cindy Rosefield, Toby Bielawski, Catherine Suarez

SLPC: Robin Roy, John Rosen

STEM: Ashley Young

BHAWK: Andrew Cumbo

Student Services: Heike Gecox

Part-time Faculty: Vicki Pabley, Jeff Judd (Chelsea Kubischta, alternate)

Faculty Association:

Student Government: Kirstie Burgess

1. GENERAL BUSINESS

Melissa Korber

Items 1-4

1.1 Call to Order/Quorum

1.2 Approval of Agenda

1.3 Review and Approval of Minutes (August 22, 2018) – MOTION TO APPROVE: moved/seconded/approved

1.4 Public Comments (This time is reserved for members of the public to address the Academic Senate. Please limit comments to three minutes. In accordance with the Brown Act, the Academic Senate cannot act on these items.) - NONE

2. ACTION ITEMS: none

3. CONSENT ITEMS: MOTION TO APPROVE ALL – moved/seconded/approved

3.1 Constitution and Bylaws Task Force: Joel Gagnon, Ashley Young, Melissa Korber, John Rosen

3.2 Hiring Committee for Project Manager/Planner for the Bond Program: Scott Miner

3.3 Hiring Committee for Economic Development/Contact Education Fiscal Agent: Darcy Ernst

3.4 Hiring Committee for Chancellor: Melissa Korber

3.5 Approve Faculty Appointments on Shared Governance Spreadsheet (*attachment*)

4. REPORTS

4.1 Basic Skills: Michelle Gonzales/Ashley McHale

4.2 Program Review: Karin Spirn – New feature: you can opt to have “no significant changes” for 2 out of 3 years.

4.3 Institutional Planning and Effectiveness: Karin Spirn – Meeting tomorrow.

4.4 Distance Education: Christina Lee

4.5 Faculty Association: Heike Gecox - Preparing for negotiations.

4.6 Student Success: Nessa Julian

4.7 CTE Liaison: no liaison as yet

4.8 Student Senate: Kirstie Burgess - In the process of ratifying our bylaws and constitution; will have elections at the end of November. One issue is making LPC totally smoke-free. We take student surveys on interests, what students like or do not like. Club recognition is given on the Inter-Club Council, and features underrepresented clubs. The food pantry is

continuing, and is successful. Collaborating with CalWORKs on homelessness and food scarcity.

4.9 Treasurer: Kimberly Tomlinson - Scholarship fundraising will start in October.

4.10 President: Melissa Korber - The Chancellor search announcement is posted and there is a full search committee (Melissa is on the review committee). A website is online, and public forums will be held in December. An interim chancellor starts Monday.

5. OLD BUSINESS – DISCUSSION

5.1 2018-19 Task Forces (*attachment sent with agenda*): The Governance Participants were approved; be aware of task forces that may not still exist. The Adult Ed and Noncredit Task Forces are being combined. We have established a Senate Bylaws and Constitution Task Force that is meeting this Friday.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 New Fire Academy at LPC - (*statement and budget sent ahead of meeting*)

Moving forward with the Fire Academy this spring; there is already student interest. The Academy allows students to compete with entry-level positions, receiving six certificates, which are third party accredited (note that California exceeds other state standards). Students will be accepted with existing LPC policies and state guidelines. There will be dedicated faculty and mentors. Success is measured by the students passing the third-party tests. The Academy will complete the existing fire program. They will involve K12-Adult Education participants. The financial impact will be funded for the most part by the Regional Joint Venture Strong Workforce Program. It is a one-semester, 16-unit program. Comment: Make sure prerequisites are being offered, and the pathway is linked to the requisite classes. The curriculum was passed last year.

PROCESS: Senate members will take this back to their divisions for discussion; this will appear as an Action Item which will be voted on at the next meeting.

6.2 Conversation about the Budget – Susan Cota, chancellor, and Ronald Gerhard, vice chancellor

Presentation attachment sent after the meeting.

Vice Chancellor Gerhard and Interim Chancellor Susan Cota attended the Academic Senate meeting on Sept. 12 to discuss the budget. The Vice Chancellor presented a summary of the budget and then answered questions. We will receive the same amount as last year, adjusted by 2.71% COLA. We will be in a “hold harmless” phase that can last 3 years.

Gerhard was questioned asked about how the Chabot deficit occurred. He stated that Chabot entered incorrect amounts in Banner for the 2016-17 fiscal year, which led to the overspending, even though the errors were discovered midyear. Gerhard said the district has added checks to the system to ensure that this doesn't happen again.

Gerhard also that Chabot is repaying the district the amount it overspent pursuant to a five-year plan. In 2017-18, Chabot put \$400,000 in the reserve account; Chabot is scheduled to place over \$600,000 in reserve in 2018-19. This is reflected in the budget under the heading “Increase/Decrease in Fund Balance” and is sometimes referred to as rebuilding Chabot's reserve. Since this occurs at the district level, it amounts to repaying the deficit and will not negatively impact Las Positas College, Gerhard said.

6.3 New Budget Formula – Dave Fouquet (District Faculty Association President)

Presentation attachments sent after the meeting.

His opinion is the most flawed aspect of the budget formula is the supplemental allocation (20%) which is based on numbers of students receiving financial aid. For our district, we lose 4.1% because of lower than average numbers of financial aid recipients. In high cost of living areas, there are fewer applications for financial aid. He is working with several legislative action groups to address this.

6.4 BP 4020 and AP 4021 Addressing Hours and Units – Craig Kutil (*attachments sent with agenda*)

This will be on the next meeting agenda as an action item to approve.

6.5 Vision for Success Goals – Melissa Korber (*attachment sent with agenda*)

This is a resolution the board is likely to adopt; Rajinder will make a presentation on this next meeting regarding the impact on the district. These are five-year goals, to adopt statewide, replacing the last five-year plan that is expiring. We do not need to approve it, but do need to be aware.

6.6 Board Policy 4240, Academic Renewal (*attachment sent with agenda*)

This presents a change: Students do not need to be currently enrolled to have 24 units expunged from their GPA.

6.7 Administrative Procedure 5530, Student Rights and Grievances (*attachment sent with agenda*)

Please let Melissa know if you have comments and concerns; this will be raised in next week's division meetings and will be on the next agenda for discussion.

7. GOOD OF THE ORDER**7.1 Announcements/Comments****8. ADJOURNMENT****9. NEXT MEETING – September 26, 2018**