Los Angeles Mission College Council
RETREAT SUMMARY
August 26, 2011
Faculty Dining Room – 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:
Present: (Need 10 for Quorum)
Perez, Monte
Bortman, Walter
Campos, Daniel
Echeverri, Angela
Fenyes, Maria
Johnson-Hawkins, Alma
Klitsner, John
Milke, Leslie
Moreno, Monica
Murray, Marian
Ramirez, Joe
Rhi-Kleinert, Susan
Roane, William
Rodriguez-Doucette, Zoila
Silver, Janice
Stage, Curtis
Tran, Hanh
Williams, Chris
Vacant

MEMBERS ABSENT:
None

GUESTS/SPEAKERS:
Dr. Omero Suarez, Achieving the Dream
Dr. Ken Gonzalez, Achieving the Dream
Mr. Rolf Jones, Business Representative
Mr. Daniel Campos, ASO President
Mr. Jose Rodriguez, LAUSD Representative
Mr. Robert (Bobby) Arias, Community Representative
Ms. Iris Zuniga, Non-Profit Representative

NON-MEMBERS:
Atkinson-Alston, Stephanie
Brinkman, Cathy
Flood, Pat
Mendoza, Mary Lou

President, LAMC
Facilities Planning Committee Co-Chair
ASO President
Faculty Senate President
AFT College Faculty Guild Chapter President
Educational Planning Committee Co-Chair &
Budget & Planning Acting Co-Chair
Facilities Planning Committee Co-Chair
Budget and Planning Committee Co-Chair
Student Support Services Co-Chair
AFT Staff Guild Representative
Student Support Services Administrator
Professional Development Administrator
Building & Constructions Trades
Supervisory Unit Representative
Educational Planning Committee Co-Chair
Technology Committee Co-Chair
Technology Committee Administrator
Professional Development Co-Chair
Operations, Local 99

Prostak, Gary
Schleicher, Rolf
Swerdlow, Nadia
Villegas-Vidal, Ludi
WELCOME REMARKS: Joe Ramirez, College Council Co-Chair, opened the meeting at 8:40 a.m. with welcome remarks.

STATE OF THE COLLEGE ADDRESS: Dr. Perez gave the “State of the College Address.” In his Address, Dr. Perez noted to the Past Academic Year 2010-2011, the Current Academic Year 2011-2012, Milestones for Academic Year 2011-2012, and Institutional Priorities for 2011-2012. The State of the College Address can be found on the President’s Corner on our website www.lamission.edu.

Dr. Perez is expanding the membership for the College Citizen’s Oversight Committee and invited nominations for the committee.

ACHIEVING THE DREAM: Dr. Omero Suarez and Dr. Ken Gonzalez presented the tasks for year one of Achieving the Dream. Key areas noted were gap identification, student success, outcomes, establishing student focus groups and faculty focus groups, student learning outcomes (SLO), and assessment/measurements among others. Time was allowed for questions.

COMMUNITY AND STUDENT NEEDS PANEL: Jose Oliva, Foundation President, provided a brief summary of his background and shared that he was once an LAMC student. Jose presented the following panel of guests:

a. Rolfe Jones, business representative, talked about the importance of students acquiring interview skills that will help them get a job.

b. Daniel Campos, ASO President, gave an analogy of students’ life being similar to a hike in the mountains. It starts off easy, but it gets harder along the way up. That’s why it’s important to have support and coaches that will help you get to the top of the mountain. He feels that LAMC is doing that for him.

c. Jose Rodriguez, LAUSD District 2 representative, discussed math and science being key courses necessary for preparing all students to be successful.

d. Robert (Bobby) Arias, representative for Communities in Schools, has seen gang members turn their lives around. His philosophy is “meet to do.”

e. Iris Zuniga – Non-Profit representative, is working with Youth Policy Institute, an organization with many support services for students and families. A handout on Data Collection Overview was provided. A copy can be found in the President’s Office.

VISION AND GOALS: Alma Johnson-Hawkins, Vice President of Academic Affairs; Joe Ramirez, Vice President of Student Services, and Rolf Schleicher, College Fiscal Administrator; each discussed their division goals for the year 2011-2012. One of the goals for both Vice Presidents is to improve communication and collaboration between their departments. One of the goals on Rolf Schleicher’s list is to enhance customer service through speed and quality.

PLANNING AND RESOURCE ALLOCATION: Leslie Milke reviewed the Planning and Resource Allocation process via a power point presentation. It was clearly noted that Bond funds are separate from that of program 100. It was noted, there are different levels of Budget & Planning Criteria and with the stress on the College budget, the committee feels that it’s important to maintain focus on sustainability and stability of the current programs. Janice Silver moved and Stephanie Atkinson-Alston second to continue the focus on sustainability/stability of each program. Consensus was reached.
STRATEGIC MASTER PLAN: Leslie Milke provided a handout on the Strategic Master Plan. A copy can be obtained from the President’s Office. In January 2012 an assessment will be performed of College Council goals to make sure the college is on task. The college will continue to update curriculum.

WRAP UP AND ADJOURN: The group adjourned after a day of presentations and discussions. There was positive feedback on the panel of guests who were invited to speak today. The group adjourned at approximately 3:00 p.m.