

LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, December 11, 2013
First Public Session 9:00 a.m.
First Closed Session 9:10 a.m.
Educational Services Center • Hearing Room
770 Wilshire Boulevard • Los Angeles, California 90017

Second Public Session 2:00 p.m.
Second Closed Session (Immediately Following Second Public Session)
Third Public Session (Immediately Following Second Public Session)
Los Angeles Trade-Technical College
Aspen Hall (TE) 101
400 W. Washington Boulevard • Los Angeles, California 90015

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD) was called to order at 9:14 a.m. with President Miguel Santiago presiding.

On roll call the following members were present: Mike Eng, Mona Field, Ernest H. Moreno, Nancy Pearlman, Miguel Santiago, Scott J. Svonkin, and Steve Veres. Student Trustee Michael J. Griggs was present.

Interim Chancellor Adriana D. Barrera was present.

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

None.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

There being no objection, the regular meeting recessed 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 9:14 a.m.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING (Second Public Session)

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the LACCD reconvened at 2:15 p.m. with President Miguel Santiago presiding.

The following members were present: Mike Eng, Mona Field, Ernest H. Moreno, Nancy Pearlman, Miguel Santiago, Scott J. Svonkin, and Steve Veres. Student Trustee Michael J. Griggs was present.

Interim Chancellor Adriana D. Barrera was present.

Trustee Svonkin led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Trustee Svonkin indicated that he has heard from members of the AFT College Staff Guild about an issue regarding the testing of interpreters and the shortage of interpreters in the District. He requested that Interim Barrera work with all of the College Presidents to assess this issue and provide a report at the beginning of next year.

Mr. Frank indicated that the number of deaf and hard-of-hearing students at LATTC increased from 17 last year to 40 this year. He further indicated that the number of interpreters went down from seven to five in the same period. He stated that attempts to resolve the shortage of interpreters have been unsuccessful. He indicated that the Personnel Commission has certified a list of three language interpreters for hire by LATTC.

Trustee Svonkin requested that the Board be provided with an analysis of the Districtwide procedures for certifying sign language interpreters.

President Santiago noted that five individuals have signed up to address the Board regarding Com. No. BT4. Initiate Revised Pilot Hiring Process for College Presidents. He entertained a motion to allocate four minutes per speaker.

Motion by Student Trustee Griggs, seconded by Trustee Field, to allocate four minutes per speaker.

Trustees Eng and Pearlman expressed their concern that the amount of time should not be reduced for this item.

Trustee Field withdrew her second of the motion.

Due to the lack of a second, the motion failed.

The following individuals addressed the Board regarding Com. No. BT4. and expressed their concern regarding the lack of shared governance in the recruitment process:

Ms. Carole Anderson, Mr. John McDowell, Mr. Donald Sparks, Mrs. Susan McMurray, Ms. Sharon Hendricks, and Ms. Esther Glaze.

Proposed Actions

None.

REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD – MULTIPLE AGENDA MATTERS

None.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE BOARD

Reports of Standing and Special Committees

President Santiago announced that, because the Board has set as one of its goals this year to ensure that all of the colleges are fully accredited, he has called upon Trustees Field and Eng to serve on an Ad Hoc Committee on Accreditation Matters. He indicated that Trustees Field and Eng would work with Interim Chancellor Barrera to set dates for visits and meetings at specific colleges.

President Santiago indicated that he has also asked Trustees Svonkin and Field to serve on an Ad Hoc Committee to provide input and guide staff in the development of a Request for Proposal to renew the District's lobbying efforts in Washington, DC.

Trustee Field reported on the Institutional Effectiveness & Student Success Committee meeting of December 4, 2013. She indicated that the Committee members are recommending approval of the Community Services offerings by the full Board.