



## Early Care and Education Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

3/19/2025 | 5:00 PM | L2300, 2306 / Zoom

### Agenda Item

#### LPC Mission Statement

Las Positas College is an inclusive, learning-centered, equity-focused environment that offers educational opportunities and support for completion of students' transfer, degree, and career-technical goals while promoting lifelong learning.

#### LPC Planning Priorities

- ❖ Establish a knowledge base and an appreciation for equity; create a sense of urgency about moving toward equity; institutionalize equity in decision-making, assessment, and accountability; and build capacity to resolve inequities.
- ❖ Increase student success and completion through change in college practices and processes: coordinating needed academic support, removing barriers, and supporting focused professional development across the campus.

#### Early Care and Education Advisory Board Members

Eniye Akinmade	Subhalakshmy Krishnan
Sheryl Azelton	Christina Lee
Nancy Blair	Donielle Machi
Chantel Blas	Theresa Mailander
Nikki Brock	Wazhma Masarweh
Angela Cabrera	Stuart McElderry
Kathleen Caporusso	Maria Morales
Stephany Chavez	Karen Natrass
Margaret Costello-Chevis	Larry Natrass
Ana Del Aguila	Solana Olsen
Vanessa Dilks	Brittany Omstead
Kari Dubois	Traci Peterson
Candy Duperroir	Laura Reno
Souzan Eskarous	Nidia Sanchez-Rico
Regina Garcia	Vicki Shipman
Lyndale Garner	Nichole Slavec
Alice Hale	Nadiyah Taylor
Yasamin Hashimi	Nicole Thomas
Zuhal Hashimi	Virginia Tsubamoto
Kari Hawley Dubois	Dayna Turner
Adrienne Hodsdon	Kristine Vanderhoof
Rina Jarin	Jeanne Virgilio
Christina Keen	Shannon Wittgen
Anne Kennedy	Lisa Zarodney
Janani Krishnakumaar	Bernadette Zermeno

#### 1. Call to Order at 5:00 PM

#### 2. Welcome and Introductions

- Attendees: Lisa Zarodney, Jeanne, Laura, Shelley Mateck, Nidi, Ana, Traci Peterson, Stuart, Jaspreet Khatra (Hively), Angela Cabrera (First 5), Lyndale, Nikki Brock (CAPE), Danielle Smiley, Christina Lee, Stephany Chavez

#### 3. ECE Community Updates

**Family Child Care- VFCCA.** Planning for 2025 VFCCA symposium about measure C, UPK, and public speaking; also includes a parent fair; open to everyone – May 3rd Livermore Robertson Community Center (Co-sponsored by Hively and First 5). Many FCC providers are closing due to loss of enrollment. Out of 54 members of VFCCA 5 have closed and 2 have declared bankruptcy.

**ROP Teachers – Shelley and Danielle Smiley (Livermore & Granada Developmental Psychology).** Emerald high school 24 in Dublin and 16 at Foothill. Child Growth and Development teachers – Ana and Lyndale visited them for recruitment. Articulation paperwork can be quite confusing for students – not receiving W numbers so they can apply for their 6 college credits. Can contact Ana to help with any student challenges with enrollment. Traci Peterson is another contact for handouts and information. Students don't get notification if their application is flagged for fraud. Should use personal email for college applications.

**CAPE – constantly enrolling and hiring.** CAPE also has expansion grant funds. These funds are used to enhance Family Child Care Homes by providing training for teachers and enhancing their environments with new furniture, materials, and supplies. If anyone is interested, please email our Support Services Manager, Aida White at [Awhite@capeheadstart.org](mailto:Awhite@capeheadstart.org).

**LARPD/ESS - not in attendance**

**Private Programs – not in attendance**

**Hively – Childcare subsidies, find care, virtual and in-person therapy for all ages (private pay and Medicare), resources for clothing, food, etc.** June(ish) Hively on Wheels (mobile resource van). Forgot to mention this: Hively is now navigators and enrollers for Covered California, so if you or anyone you know needs health insurance, please reach out! We can help! Special Enrollment is year round.

**First 5 – Sign up for the first 5 newsletter, see opportunities for public comment; quality counts, help me grow, fatherhood program.** Next CAC meeting will take place on March 26 from 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm. Interpretation services are available; you can join in person or virtually. Community Advisory Council | First 5 Alameda County

**Mentor Program –**The program is almost 40 years old, focused on mentoring early childhood students, director mentors, in Alameda County has an “alameda regional of the community colleges” coordinated by Bernadette Zermeno. There is a new alternative pathways pilot to bring in new mentors. Flier distributed.

#### 4. LAS POSITAS COLLEGE Updates

Student Services Update – Chris Lee

- a. Counseling Office;
- b. SS/Fall 2025 registration cycle will kick off on April 14th. Students can find their specific registration date & start time in their Class WEB account starting the 1st or 2nd week of April.
  - i. Fall 2025 drop for non-payment deadline: June 5, 2025 (for those students who register for fall classes between 4/14-5/26/2025).
- c. New Hawk Day, April 19, 2025, 8:15am-12:30pm
  - i. For new first time college students (not concurrent enrollment) who want to enroll at LPC for Summer and/or Fall 2025
  - ii. EARLY access to plan and register for Summer 2025 and Fall 2025 courses
  - iii. First Semester Planning and a meeting with your counselor
  - iv. Learn about Las Positas College, including the eight Academic and Career Pathways, student services, and more
  - v. Connect with faculty, counselors, and staff to support your transition into Las Positas College
  - vi. Enjoy refreshments, entertainment, and take an optional tour of campus
- d. Disability Resource Center
- e. Students can apply for accommodations. If they have questions or need assistance, please direct them to:
  - i. Email: [lpc-dsps@laspositascollege.edu](mailto:lpc-dsps@laspositascollege.edu)
  - ii. Call: 925-424-1510
  - iii. Visit us in the Student Services and Administration Building 1600 (First Floor, Room 1615)
- f. Financial Aid Office:
  - i. Free Tuition Promise for 2025-26
    1. Las Positas College offers free tuition for first-time, full-time students in their 1st year and a 2nd year promise for those who maintain eligibility throughout the fall and spring terms.
    2. Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid FAFSA or the CA Dream Act Application CADAA.
  - ii. April 2, 2025: Priority California Financial Aid Deadline
- g. Admissions & Records office:
  - i. Concurrent Enrollment applications are now open for:
  - ii. Summer 2025--Deadline to apply: May 5, 2025
  - iii. Fall 2025--Deadline to apply: July 17, 2025
- h. Any prospective students interested in applying to LPC?
  - i. Please direct them to Steps to Success and have them apply for Summer 2025 (this will also allow students to enroll for Fall 2025).
- i. Career & Employment Center,:
  - i. March Job and Internship Fair, Wednesday, March 26, 11:00am-2:00pm, Quad
- j. LPC Open House, March 29, 2025, 11am-1pm
  - i. Whether you're a prospective student looking to enroll at LPC, a parent, or community member, you'll have the opportunity to tour our beautiful campus and learn about the many programs and resources that are available.
- k. ACADEMIC PROGRAMS: Explore our Academic Pathways- Connect with Faculty from many programs including Engineering, Computer Studies, Business, Music, Early Care & Education, Physics, Chemistry, Administration of Justice, EMS, Fire Service Technology, and more.
- l. RESOURCE & SUPPORT SERVICES: Visit many departments including Career Center, Dual/Concurrent Enrollment, Counseling, Financial Aid, Disability Resource Center, Veterans First.
- m. Information Sessions
  - i. Transfer 101- Guaranteed Transfer Program
  - ii. How to pay for College- Financial Aid Overview
- n. Campus Tours
- o. LPC Commencement Ceremony, Friday, May 30, 2025: session 1: 10:00am
  - i. By the last week in April, students who submitted their Spring 2025 degree/certificate applications by 4/1/2025 will receive a formal invite to their zone mail with instructions on how to RSVP for the Commencement Ceremony.
  - ii. Summer 2025 candidates must apply for their degree by 4/1/2025.
  - iii. Fall 2024 graduates will also be invited to participate.

p. Traci Peterson – Fun Run on March 29th (can walk/run). Focused on dual enrollment for high school, making the registration process more seamless. Groundbreaking ceremony for the STEAM building followed by the Board of Trustees meeting. College and Career Access Pathways – tuition free for students and college credit. Concurrent can take any class for college credit and the district decides if they get high school credit for their A-G. Livermore high may be interested in Dual Enrollment courses.

## 5. Las Positas ECE/CDC Updates

- a. LPC may be able to run CPR/First aid with community education.
- b. Associate teacher certificate pathway now all zero textbook
- c. Study abroad – faculty led to work in ECE programs in other countries, take a class, be in the community.
- d. Dean – Stuart will be leaving his role as Dean and returning to faculty. Enrollments are rebounding (574 enrollments in ECE, Spring 25) – spring 22 (344); SP 23 (321)
  - i. Changing scheduling from 17.5-week semester to 16-week semester (fall 2026)
  - ii. Winter intersession 4 weeks (Dec. 20 – Jan 18)
- e. CDTC – still upgrading, renewal, and new applications for permits for free – may run out of funds at the end of March. Lots of applicants for the educational support grant – so many applications that we used all funds given.
- f. Celebration at the end of May for students who have completed certificate or degree program in the last 3 semesters.
- g. Stephany (CDC) – 90 children enrolled at the center (spring 2025), getting 44% of the state contract the district has, increase of lab students, Student parent taking over CDC social media, professional flex day lab students going over ethics and professionalism in ECE and roundtable discussions. All permanent staff attending CAEYC together. Chabot has a new director, Yolanda Garnett. April 22 Earl Day Festival. 22 student parents at the center. 15-year anniversary next year. Collecting used sneakers from children to be donated and the soles recycled.



## 6. Thank you to retiring ECE members!

- Ana DelAguila (PDC)
- Karen Nattrass (PT faculty)
- Laura Reno
- Jeanne Virgilio

## 7. Adjournment at 6:02pm

## 8. Next Regular Meeting: Spring 2026

