



ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES

April 12, 2023 | 2:30 – 4:30 pm | Room 1687

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.

LPC Academic Senate Quorum: 8

Non-Voting Members:

President: Sarah Thompson

Student Government: Lara Weidemeier

Faculty Association: Heike Gecox

Admin.: Rifka Several

Voting Members:

Vice President: Collin Thormoto

Secretary: Dave Wagner

Treasurer: Ashley Young

BSSL: Robin Roy, Daniel Cearley

A & H: John Kelly, Peter Kuo, Kisha

Quesada Turner, Katie Eagan

STEM: Michael Peterson, Ashley McHale

PATH:

Student Services: Christina Lee, Jill Oliveira

Part Time Representatives: Jeff Judd

1. **Call to Order:** meeting called to order at 2:39 pm
2. **Review and Approval of Agenda:** motion to approve agenda: moved/seconded/approved
3. **Review and Approval of Minutes (March 22, 2023):** motion to approve minutes: moved/seconded/approved with one abstention
4. **Public Comments (5 minutes):** *This time is reserved for members of the public to address the Academic Senate. Please limit comments to 5 minutes. In accordance with the Brown Act, the Academic Senate cannot act on these items.* NONE
5. **Action Items:**
 - 5.1 Local Degrees and the Integration of Ethnic Studies and the Fall 2024 Requirements: motion to approve: moved/seconded: discussion: this was approved at divisions per last meeting's discussion/approved. This will be sent to Craig Kutil for the next college catalog, and to the President for College and Chancellor's Council for board approval.
6. **Consent Items:** motion to approve 6.1 through 6.6: moved/seconded/approved
 - 6.1 Geology Hiring Committee (STEM): Tom Orf, Michal Shuldman, Chris Dudzik, Ruchira Majumdar
 - 6.2 Biology Hiring Committee (STEM): Ann Hight, Segal Boaz, Dana Nakase, Russell Jensen
 - 6.3 Computer Information Systems Hiring Committee (STEM): Carlos Moreno, Moh Daoud, Bill Komanetsky, Ashley Young
 - 6.4 Library Tech Hiring Committee (BSSL): Tina Inzerilla
 - 6.5 Counselor/Instructor (50% athletic) Hiring Committee: James Giacomazzi, Christina Lee, Marina Lira, Kimberly Burks
 - 6.6 OSHA Training Institute Ed. Center Director Hiring Committee: Steve McConnell
7. **Reports**
 - 7.1 LPC Student Government (L. Weidemeier): none
 - 7.2 UndocuAlly (Teri Ann Bengiveno): none

7.3 Curriculum Committee (Erik Bell): none

74 CEMC/DEMC Committee (Sarah Thompson): enrollment is up 3% from last spring. There are some state districts who are experiencing upward enrollments, but there is no effective analysis (some of the districts are very small, and FTES and headcount are different measures).

7.5 Faculty Association (Heike Gecox): nothing to report, no issues

7.6 Professional Development Committee (David Powers): report posted on line

7.7 DE Committee (Barbara Zingg): none

7.8 Planning and Effectiveness Committee (Rajinder Samra): none

7.9 LGBTQ+ Presidential Task Force (Robin Roy): none

7.10 MLEA (Katie Eagan): agendaed later in meeting

7.11 Treasurer (Ashley Young): Classified Appreciation report later in meeting

7.12 President (Sarah Thompson):

We have one hiring committee (EMT program) needing an additional PATH member. The current committee needs more diversity. Ashley McHale will join the committee.

8. Old Business

8.1 Updates from Academic Senate Advisory Committees:

Classified Appreciation Event, April 26, 12 – 2 pm (Ashley Young): she has notified the Classified Senate about the event. Please invite people at your division meetings. We still need more entertainment (Sarah and Ashley Mc will perform) and opportunity drawing items. Decorations: balloon arch and table flowers.

8.2 Math Non-Success Retention Update (Craig Kutil): *tabled from last meeting*. See document presented at the meeting posted on website.

This originated from discussions at Academic Senate, and then went to Guided Pathways and Dr. Foster.

The proposal was to come from faculty, with Craig appointed as project lead.

- Get things set up so students don't leave due to math failure: work with different majors and counselors during College Day (time has been assigned).
- Program maps will be updated, and guidelines developed for counselors.
- Institutional research is requested, needs definition.
- Match different math courses with program plans.

8.3 LPC Course Comparisons to C-ID and Bay Area Consortium of Community Colleges (regions 3 and 4 on the semester system) b (Craig Kutil): see attachment posted on website. Craig compared our courses - how far above the minimum are we, and is this unusual?

How will the compressed calendar affect this? Kisha Quesada shared the Compressed Calendar resource page, found on the district website (AACC Resources). They are intentional about sharing resources for transparency. Upcoming decisions as the calendar progresses: where will the unit loads happen?

9. New Business

9.1 Faculty Announcers for 2023 LPC Commencement (Sarah Thompson): Need four; 2 for each ceremony. Kisha and Dave volunteered, Sarah will ask for two more.

9.2 LPC Academic Senate Distinguished Teaching and Outstanding Service Awards Nomination Review Committee (Sarah Thompson): These will be awarded at College Day. Robin has volunteered to be the committee lead; Daniel Cearley volunteered. Rifka will send them the information.

9.3 Reed Buffington Nomination Review Committee (Sarah Thompson): The next year will be Chabot only, and continue to rotate between co. Tom Orf, last year's recipient, is the chair of the committee. Robin has joined.

9.4 Academic Senate Elections Committee (Sarah Thompson): Ashley is appointed by Sarah, as she will be serving Tracey's second year. We need a president-elect, secretary and treasurer. Ashley McHale will put her name forth as treasurer. Ashley Young and Michael Peterson will serve as elections committee. Sarah will put her name forth as president-elect. Bring the open nominations to your division meetings. At the next meeting, nominations from the floor will be accepted. Nominations will be closed at the next meeting.

Motion to table 9.5, 9.7. 9.8

9.5 ASCCC Resolutions (Sarah Thompson): *tabled for next meeting*

9.6 District-wide Decision-Making Issues (Sarah Thompson): see "Funnel model" posted on the website, this was presented by the Chancellor. The title is changed to "Three Rs" (recruitment, registration, retention). Sarah questioned what this model is for: answer, to visualize students. However, this is how we already visualize students. Question: is this for setting targets? Yes, making improvements for all steps in the student experience. How do colleges get their ideas heard by the district? For example, simplifying changing majors. Accountability needs to be attached to the "Three Rs" model with a project manager responsible for evaluation and implementation. "Academics" needs greater presence in retention.

9.7 "The Vancouver Model" regarding full and part time faculty (Sarah Thompson): *tabled for next meeting*

9.8 Recommendations from Chancellor’s Office AB 1705 (MLEA) (Katie Eagan and Michael Peterson):
tabled for next meeting

9.9 Update on DegreeWorks (So-Jin Moon): She is our new Degree Works specialist, who started in January. She fixed reported errors, updated GE patterns, and added new courses for the new catalog year. Let her know of errors that need to be fixed. Her formal training will be in May.

9.10 Update on Curriculum and Degrees: *tabled for next meeting*

10. Announcements/Information Items

- April 26: Classified Appreciation Event
- New student registration at the end of the month
- Next week is Earth Week: search for “Go Green” on the LPC website for activities
- May 13, 10 am – 6:30 pm: LPC Literary Arts Festival, Mertes Center
- May 19, 6 – 8 pm: LPC Scholarship Awards Ceremony, Mertes Center

11. Adjourn: meeting adjourned at 4:25 pm

12. Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 26

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