



ACADEMIC SENATE AGENDA

January 28, 2026 | 2:30 pm – 4:30 pm | Room 21147 + Zoom for visitors

Agenda Item – [Zoom information at end of agenda](#)

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

- ❖ Affirm LPC's unwavering commitment to equity by deepening campus-wide engagement, enhancing professional development, embedding equity-minded practices in decision-making, assessment, and accountability processes; and building capacity to resolve inequities.
- ❖ Increase student success and completion through sustainable college practices, processes, academic support, removal of barriers, and focused professional development.
- ❖ Establish a knowledge base and appreciation for health and wellness in the workplace; create a sense of urgency about wellness; prioritize wellness in decision-making, assessment and accountability; and build capacity to support wellness.

Academic Senate Quorum: 8

Non-Voting Members:

President: Ashley Young
Student Government: TBD
Faculty Association: Heike Gecox

Voting Members:

Vice President: Ashley McHale
Secretary: Collin Thormoto
Treasurer: Catherine Suarez
A&H: Justin Garoupa, Catherine Suarez
BSSL: Joanna Jen, Felipe Ponce, Collin Thormoto
PATH: Susan deFuniak
STEM: Anita Bhatia, Moh Daoud, David Montelongo,
Student Services: Kimberly Burks, Ryan Eckles
Part Time Representatives: Jeff Judd, Peter Zimmer

1. Call to Order

2. Review and Approval of Agenda

3. Review and Approval of Minutes (December 10, 2025)

4. Public Comments (3 minutes): *This time is reserved for members of the public to address the Academic Senate. Please limit comments to 3 minutes. In accordance with the Brown Act, the Academic Senate cannot act on items not already on the agenda.*

5. Consent Items

5.1 Counselor (DSPS)/Instructor (Learning Disabilities Specialist)
Hiring Committee: Amanda Castelli, Heike Gecox

6. Action Items

7. New Business

- 7.1 AI Concerns
- 7.2 AI Listening Groups
- 7.3 Resolution on Retiree Healthcare Investments
- 7.4 Student Retaliation and Academic Freedom Survey Results
- 7.5 Attendance Accounting Method
- 7.6 Accreditation Report

8. Old Business

- 8.1 AI Honesty Policy

9. Wellness Break (5 minutes)

10. Reports (5 minutes each)

- 10.1 LPC Student Government (TBD)
- 10.2 A.I. Honesty (Catherine Suarez)
- 10.3 CEMC/DEMC (Ashley McHale)
- 10.4 Curriculum (Craig Kutil)
- 10.5 Distance Education (Kat King)
- 10.6 District Technology (Jeff Judd)
- 10.7 Faculty Hiring Prioritization (Heike Gecox)
- 10.8 Guided Pathways (Nadiyah Taylor & Jill Carbone)
- 10.9 Honors (Irena Keller)
- 10.10 Professional Development (David Powers)
- 10.11 Treasurer (Catherine Suarez)
- 10.12 President (Ashley Young)

10.13 Divisions

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11. Good of the Order/Announcements

12. Adjournment

13. Next Regular Meeting: February 11, 2026

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