



Facilities and Sustainability Minutes

March 23, 2026 at 2:30pm

Recorder: Andrea Anderson

LPC Mission Statement	LPC Planning Priorities 2025-2026		
<p>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 life-long learning.</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>Increase student success and completion through sustainable college practices, processes, academic support, removal of barriers, and focused professional development.</p>	<p>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.</p>
Chairs	Administrator	Classified Professionals	Dean, Academic
<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dan Cearley (Non-Voting Member) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jean O'Neil-Opipari (Non-Voting Member) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sean Brooks (Non-Voting Member)</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paul Simpson</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Hermina Sarkis-Kelly <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jackie Hill <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jennifer Farber <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lina Chea</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paula Checchi</p>
Faculty Member	LPCSG Student Representative	District Facilities	Climate Fellows
<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Kelly (A&H) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Andrew Cumbo (PATH) <input type="checkbox"/> John Ruys (BSSL) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gina Webster (BSSL) <input type="checkbox"/> Vacant (STEM)</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rameen Ahmad</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Owen Letcher (Non-Voting Member) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ann Kroll (Non-Voting Member) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Seybert (Non-Voting Member)</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Niki Mai (Non-Voting Member) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ariel Reynolds (Non-Voting Member) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Halleigh MacPherson (Non-Voting Member) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Linh Le (Non-Voting Member)</p>
Guests	Guests	Guests	Guests
<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> William Tandongfor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kiley Zieker</p>			

Attendance (Quorum = 8)

Agenda Item	Information/Discussion	Action/Assigned To
1.	<p>Call to Order <i>For information</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting called to order by Dan Cearley at 2:32pm. 	None
2.	<p>Review & Approve Agenda <i>For action</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Motion to approve Agenda Agenda Approved by: Jackie Hill and Gina Webster 	Motion: Jackie Hill Second: Gina Webster
3.	<p>Review & Approve November Minutes <i>For action</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Motion to approve January Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> January Approved by: Jennifer Farber and John Kelly Motion to approve February Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> February Approved by: John Kelly and Gina Webster 	Motion: Jennifer Farber Second: John Kelly Motion: John Kelly Second: Gina Webster
4.	<p>Action Items <i>For action</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	
5.	<p>Old Business <i>For discussion</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zero Waste Program (Tandongfor and Climate Fellows) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Program & Training Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Year Race initiative has been slightly delayed due to timeline and funding adjustments but is expected to resume after spring break. Student ambassador training is underway to promote sustainability practices. Student Government leadership training is being conducted to help spread sustainability awareness campus-wide. A Flex Day sustainability training was successfully delivered and received positive feedback. Earth Week & Events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A natural and historical tour is planned at the Morfrey property during Earth Week. Multiple sustainability-related events will take place, with invitations extended to campus participants. 	None

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Waste Reduction & Recycling Initiatives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Three-stream waste bins (landfill, recycling, compost) are arriving: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some next week • Most by early April ▪ Plans to centralize recycling bins outside clusters of classrooms to reduce labor and improve efficiency. ▪ A recycling bin is being added to the Performing Arts Center scene shop to divert paper and untreated wood from landfills. ○ Morfrey Property Projects (Chabot Focus) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Development work continues on the new 8-acre Morfrey sustainability property. ▪ Plans include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obtaining seeds from local libraries • Beautifying the site • Building compost areas using natural debris ▪ Ongoing efforts to educate the public about sustainability and site development. ○ Food Recovery & Community Partnerships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Citrus fruit (oranges) harvested at the Morfrey property was distributed to the Basic Needs Center, and supplies were quickly used by students. ▪ Future produce (including avocados) may be available for distribution. ▪ A partnership opportunity was discussed with a campus mini-market that distributes 3,000-5,000 pounds of recovered food, including potential citrus donations. 	
6.	<p>New Business <i>For discussion</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Viticulture Replanting Proposal (Lopez) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Brianna Lopez was not in attendance. This agenda item will move to next meeting • LPC Governance Worksheet (Cearley) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The LPC Governance Worksheet, which is completed annually, is currently behind schedule. The worksheet is not yet ready for review at this time. The discussion has been postponed to the next meeting. A copy of the worksheet will be sent out in advance so members can review it before the next meeting. • Committee Meeting Time – Compressed Calendar (Cearley) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Due to the new compressed calendar starting in the Fall, the committee needs to adjust its meeting time. The proposed new time is 2:45pm–4:10pm, while keeping meetings on the fourth Monday. The change is requested to move the meeting slightly later to align with updated compressed calendar schedule. There were no major objections to the proposed time shift. The committee discussed the possibility of hybrid meetings (online with optional in-person attendance), though online meetings remain preferred by some members. With no strong concerns raised, the time adjustment was generally accepted. 	None

7.	<p>Updates <i>For information</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • M&O (Seybert) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Staffing Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A promotion to Lead Custodian (Swing Shift) is pending Board approval. ▪ Terrance Catap will move into this role in April, filling a critical position that supports faculty and campus events. ▪ Facilities & Construction Updates ○ Building 4000 Roof: Scheduled for replacement in June. ○ Building 2500: Interior repairs are continuing after a temporary delay with a purchase order. ○ Building 2400 Lifts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ One lift is expected to be repaired soon. ▪ The second lift is likely beyond repair, and options for replacement are being explored. ▪ Full elevator replacement would likely cost millions of dollars, making it a long-term challenge. ▪ Accessibility concerns were raised about lift usability and safety, particularly for individuals with limited arm mobility. ○ Spring Break Reminder <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Faculty and staff were reminded to remove food from offices and classrooms before spring break to prevent pest issues (mice and ants) while campus occupancy is low. • District Facilities (Letcher) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sustainability Grant Funding Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Efforts are underway to secure external funding through multiple sustainability-related grants. ▪ Applications submitted include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • California Climate Action Corps program (through Bay Area Community Resources) • Altamont Education Board Grant (applied for both Las Positas College and Chabot College; previously awarded last year) • An additional urban greening and climate action grant ▪ Three grant applications are currently pending decisions. ▪ Five additional grant opportunities have been identified but are not yet accepting applications. ▪ Funding decisions are expected by the end of the semester, with timelines around March 31, May 1, and mid-to-late May. ▪ The overall goal is to secure outside funding to sustain and expand sustainability initiatives and continue progress made in recent years. • Campus Construction & Bond Update (Kroll) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Major Construction Projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Amphitheater (STEAM Project): Moving forward with concrete pours scheduled this week and next. ▪ STEAM Building & Building 1800 Renovation: Still in DSA review; responses to comments are underway, with resubmission expected by late April. ▪ Building 1300 (Old Bookstore): Being redesigned into a large lecture/event space; plans expected to be submitted to DSA in May. 	None
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8.	<p>Good of the Order <i>For information</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Las Positas Event Calendar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ April 18 – New Hawk Day ▪ April 20-24 – Earth Week ▪ April 25 – Run for Higher Education ▪ April 29 – One Love Festival and Student Symposium ▪ May 30 – Commencement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Time: 10:00am / Location: Cornerstone Fellowship Event Center ○ Athletics Schedule ○ Theater Arts Schedule ○ Other Campus Events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Music for All Ball: April 9 (spring dance with live bands) – Building 4000 ▪ Beer Fest: May 9 (proceeds support the Fire Service Technology Academy) ▪ Free Farmers Markets: April 6 and May 4 at 1:00pm in the 1600 Courtyard ▪ Literary Fest: May 2 • Good of the Order <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Partnership & Community Support <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Discussion about partnering between the Horticulture program and campus food distribution programs to share fruits and vegetables grown on campus. ▪ Continued emphasis on improving access to nutritious food through farmers markets and mini-market programs. 	None

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Flex Day Highlight <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A behind-the-scenes tour of the Mertes Center was highly praised, showcasing the theater space from under the stage to the grid above. ▪ Encouragement was given for more staff and faculty to participate in similar tours to better understand campus facilities. 	
<p>9.</p>	<p>Future Agenda Items <i>For discussion</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Viticulture Replanting Proposal • LPC Governance Worksheet 	

Meeting adjourned at 3:15pm

Next meeting: April 27, 2026