

# LOS ANGELES VALLEY COLLEGE Citizens Building Oversight Committee Minutes May 1, 2012 President's Conference Room

Members

Anderson Terry Greater Valley Glen Council

Ballew Pat Member of the College Foundation
Barad Eric Member at large, LAVC Alumni

Berg Harvey Economic Alliance Executive Board Member

Braswell Anthony Neighborhood Council Valley Village
Calne Max Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council
Criss Asta Valley Glen Neighborhood Association

Hababag Johnnica LAVC Associated Student Union

Carleo A. Susan College President

**Resource:** Retamal Eloy, College Construction Manager, Maggie Lopez, Executive Assistant

### **Absent Members\***

Guests: Robert Rincon, Yang Management, Josh Saffren, Biology Department

The meeting was called to order by Chair Harvey Berg at 5:42 p.m.

## I. Welcome and Introductions

### II. Approval of Minutes

**MSP** Anderson/Ballew the minutes of February 7, 2011 were approved as presented.

III. Public Agenda Requests – Josh Saffren, Biology Department, inquired about the budget allocation process for his Department. Dr. Carleo responded that the college Bond Work Group (BWG) is the group charged with managing budget issues for the college. He was referred to Karen Roy, department chair and BWG representative.

# IV. President's Report – Membership Update

 a) President Carleo thanked the committee for signing the letter to the Chancellor in support of ending the moratorium on construction.
 The Chancellor reviewed this information with the Board of Trustees. He will provide specific information to the Trustees at their next meeting so



construction may resume. Our team has been working diligently on a document that addresses how we meet the requirements.

Eloy Retamal, CPM, informed the group that it is estimated the moratorium may cost the college approximately \$5 million in delay costs. He explained the cost escalation is based on a standard method of calculation which includes a 3% escalation per year.

Dr. Carleo explained that the BWG is working on project prioritization. There are 12 projects that need to be completed, including 5 major buildings. The college looks forward to move the projects out of the moratorium soon.

Eloy Retamal distributed a handout that summarizes Valley's construction projects.

In response to a question regarding the tree removal in parking Lot A, Dr. Carleo stated that the trees that were cut had reached the end of their lifespan. They will be replaced with young trees. The college has a tree master plan that helps us identify tree species to plant and how to restore old trees. As a result of our tree master plan, we applied for Campus Tree USA and we won that recognition. We are committed to replace, maintain and revitalize the campus.

Relative to the tree master plan student member, Johnnica Hababag, announced that an Arbor Day Festival will be held on campus this Friday, May 4.

# V. Update on District Citizens' Oversight Committee

Terry Anderson reported that the moratorium review by the DCOC is slow and not much has been accomplished through this body.

### VI. Building and Budget Update –

a) Under President's report.

### VII. Public Art Update

Dr. Carleo reported that the Public Art allocation is still a part of our planning. The budget is in place and we are moving forward. A location in the new Library has been identified for public art.

# VIII. Members Concerns/Suggestions for the LACCD Board of Trustees

Dr. Carleo will ask her executive assistant to communicate individually with the members to inquire about their interest in continuing their service in the CBOC. Dr. Carleo stated that committee members have an opportunity to continue to serve on the CBOC. If they wish to step down, they will be asked to recommend a replacement. This item will be addressed at the next scheduled meeting.



# IX. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned to a tour of the new Library and Academic Resource Center (LARC).

X. Next Meeting - Members will be polled to learn if they wish to hold the next meeting in August or September.