The ASLPC (Student Senate) is committed to promoting student involvement on campus, advocating for student interests, and providing an atmosphere for better learning and personal growth, thereby encouraging student success. The Student Senate has grown over the past several years, and last year had 35 active members. This has allowed us more opportunities to organize and support major LPC- and ASLPC-sponsored events, develop leadership skills while advocating for the students and LPC, and represent the study body by being an active participant in the shared governance structure.

As part of the shared governance structure, the members of the Student Senate were active and engaged members of all shared governance committees last year, including Resource Allocation, Sustainability, Facilities, Technology, Curriculum, Distance Ed, Health & Safety, Campus Change Network, Basic Skills, and College Council. In addition, students served on the Planning Task Force, the Measure I Committee, the Measure B Citizen’s Oversight Committee, and District committees.

The officers and senators of the ASLPC continue to work hard for all Las Positas College students and are committed to removing barriers to access, promoting student success, and providing an atmosphere for better learning and personal growth. To that end, the Student Senate is committed to providing high-quality services to LPC students, providing opportunities for students to participate in campus activities, advocating on both state and federal levels, and donating time and/or money in support of other programs on campus.

**Scholarships**

In supporting LPC’s “Students First” motto, perhaps the most important service that the ASLPC (Student Senate) provides is the donation of scholarship money to deserving students. This year we were able to provide 77 scholarships totaling almost $30,000. In addition, we were able to provide scholarships, totaling $1200, for the tutors who volunteered for Prep-2-Pass, the finals tutoring events.

**Services**

One of the most popular services that ASLPC provides is the Textbook Loaner Program (TLP). To help alleviate costs of college, the TLP allows students to check out up to three textbooks for an entire semester at only $30 per textbook. This year we served 181 students, checking out over 230 textbooks. We anticipate and are planning for further growth next year. In addition, this year the Textbook Assistance Scholarship (TAS) was developed, with a Fall 2013 implementation date planned. The Textbook Assistance Scholarship is funded by the Follett Higher Education Group and will be managed by the Student Senate. It is intended for students who do not receive other financial aid but struggle to meet the costs of their education. This program will provide a student with a $500 voucher for one semester to purchase books and/or classroom supplies (food and clothing are prohibited) at the Las Positas College Bookstore.

The Student Senate provides test forms at no charge to students. ASLPC purchased 9,500 Scantrons and 4,000 green books this year. Another popular service we provide each semester is “Prep-2-Pass”. Prior to finals each semester, the Student Senate members provide individual and group tutors for any students needing extra help in studying for finals. The Tutorial Center has extended hours for this event and ASLPC provides refreshments to the students as well as pays for the tutors. As a service to LPC, Student Senate members conduct individual and group campus tours for prospective students, families, and local middle and high school students to introduce them to our campus community.

**Outreach**

One of the Student Senate goals each year is to increase student involvement and acknowledge the diversity of our student body. To recognize LPC evening students who may not be able to participate in Student Life, the Student Senate hosts an evening event each semester offering free food, games, movies, and free drawings. This event has consistently been well received and appreciated by the evening students. Twice each semester the Student Senate, in conjunction with the Inter-Club Council, promotes student clubs and assists in recruiting new members by hosting a free lunch to students who participate in Club Day. Almost 1,500 students attended the four Club Days during the 2012-13 academic year. ASLPC also welcomes vendors and employers on campus with the purpose of introducing the students to businesses and services in our community or providing employment opportunities for students. The vendor/employer participation also serves to generate revenue for the ASLPC.
Each Spring, ASLPC hosts a major event to encourage student engagement and to promote a sense of community. This year, we held the “2nd Annual Neon Night”, a “rave” with a DJ and refreshments. Approximately 120 students attended this event.

One of ASLPC’s new efforts this year was the formation of outreach task forces - Campus, Community and High School. To show support of the various LPC student activities, members of the Campus Outreach Task Force attended campus events, donated to various programs, such as the Early Childhood Development Center and the Red Cross Blood Drive, and held several small events. The Community Outreach Task Force visited Senior Centers in the Tri-Valley Area, and the High School Task Force went to high schools in Dublin, Pleasanton, Livermore and Castro Valley to introduce students to Las Positas College.

Our entire outreach efforts and our ability and willingness to undertake and/or support LPC’s major events have grown significantly in the past years as reflected in this chart.

Advocacy
Advocacy continued to be a major priority for the Student Senate this year. During the Fall Semester, students worked tirelessly to assist in the passage of Proposition 30 and Measure I. Numerous Advocacy Days were held to introduce students to these important pieces of legislation. On March 4th, about 30 LPC students traveled to Sacramento for the statewide March-in-March under the coordination of the Student Senate. Multiple resolutions were written and distributed both internally and externally on a wide range of issues. Local campus resolutions included support of continuing Summer sessions, promoting the concept of a “dead week” before finals, and advocating for more equity in priority registration. State resolutions included support for Measure I, Proposition 30, and SCA 3 which would reduce the two-thirds requirement for passage of parcel taxes to a simple majority.

Leadership
Members of the Student Senate volunteer countless hours because of their commitment to students and Las Positas. They each spend an average of 40-50 hours per semester, while carrying full academic loads and in many cases working as well. In an effort to improve their leadership skills and better serve students, they regularly engage in capacity building by attending conferences and retreats. This academic year, students attended the Student Senate of California Community Colleges (SSCCC) Fall 2012 General Assembly in Palm Springs, CA, and the National Center for Student Leadership conference in Boston, MA. In addition, the students planned and implemented their own leadership retreat, held in the Sierra Nevada foothills, at which some members developed and presented their own workshops.

Donations
In an effort to support all students and other Student Services programs, the Student Senate donated money and/or volunteered their time to CalWORKS, the Library, the LPC Anthology and Naked Magazine, the Coaches vs. Cancer fundraiser, the composting project, College Night, the LPC Foundation Gala, and Graduation among others.
Inter-Club Council

One may observe school spirit in any one of over 35 of the very active clubs in the Inter-Club Council (ICC) this last year. The diversity of the student population and their many different interests are reflected in the types of clubs found in the ICC.

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While each club is unique and has its own mission, they all have at least one common goal – to make a difference to an LPC student, to the college, to the community, or even to the world. Club members have spent countless hours fundraising to make donations to Hurricane Sandy, March of Dimes, Cantabella Children’s Chorus, Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, American Institute for Cancer Research, Breast Cancer Awareness, St. Michael Parish Music Ministry, LPC’s Fire Service Technology Program, 911 Anniversary fund, and CalWORKS. Clubs have also organized coat drives, canned food drives, school supply drives, shoe drives, a walk to end Alzheimer’s, and a drive for Pleasanton Military Families.

This year there has been a particular focus by Clubs on student development. Clubs have sponsored workshops on developing resumes and personal statements, interviewing skills, transferring, and internships. Clubs have had multiple guest speakers on topics such as conservation programs and internships, premed and internal medicine, eating disorders, brain awareness, ADHD, and mental health awareness.

Clubs have gone on field trips to the SF Federal Reserve Bank, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, San Francisco Exploratorium, San Francisco Hall of Flowers, UC Botanical Garden, Caltrans/Bay Bridge, Golden State Warriors game and Oakland A’s game (to develop student journalism skills) and have participated in the 2012 Livermore Rodeo Parade. Club members have attended the AGS Northern Regional Conference, California Phi Beta Lambda preparation workshop, and the TiEcon 2013 Business Conference.

Clubs have sponsored a variety of events, including the American Red Cross Blood Drive, Veterans Day Celebration, 5th Annual 2013 Firefighters Workshop, Breast Cancer Awareness, AMATYC Student Math League Competition, Bike to Work Day, Annual Teacher Appreciation dinner, self-defense seminars, film festivals, musicals, recitals, martial arts training, star gazing events, and National Coming Out Day. Clubs have given tours to the Cub Scouts and hosted the Oakland Zoo Mobile on campus. Of special note, the Horticulture Club (HOTT) produced their first batch of Las Positas Tuscan Olive Oil and the Students’ Organization for Sustainability planted trees at LPC for Earth Day and brought composting to LPC.

Many clubs continued to provide one-on-one student mentorship, tutoring, and scholarships to their members.

Like the ASLPC (Student Senate), the Inter-Club Council, individual clubs and their members are committed to promoting student engagement and success, and providing an atmosphere for better learning and personal growth.