

WHAT'S RIGHT AT LPC – All Nominations

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NOMINEES: Nadiyah Taylor and Elizabeth Hopkins

Nominated by: Zina Rosen-Simon

The following nominees exemplify professionalism, collaboration, and diligence in their commitment towards our strategic mission of equity and inclusion. Nadiyah Taylor and Elizabeth Hopkins have chaired the Campus Change Network for the past year and are continuing their shared chairpersonship in the upcoming year. They facilitate the Campus Change Network in a way that embodies the fairness, dialogue and reflection that are sought in equitable and inclusive practice.

Through their facilitation of the committee they have helped to create campus workshops, and discussions that support the LPC community in delving into topics that provoke thinking and conscientious decision-making. Their style of making sure that all voices within the committee are heard and recognized is very validating for the committee membership. The creation of the Equity Point Person on piloted committees is one way in which we are institutionalizing thoughtful reflection in regards to equity and inclusion within our campus.

They have been instrumental in helping to promote these practices that foster our strategic goals. I nominate both Elizabeth and Nadiyah for the abundance of time, energy, and heart that they put into their work.

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NOMINEES: The Whole BCATSS Division

NOMINATOR: Scott Miner

Even before the marriage between BCAT and the (SS) Social Science group there were whispers that this just might not work out.....

From Political Science to Computer Science. From hot rods in Automotive to Hot Wheels in Early Childhood Development. From Women's Studies to Welding studies. From Anthropology to Computer Network Technology, who ever thought this mix might work out?

After the dust settled, and the honeymoon was over, we seem to have a connected and focused group that works well as a team, through thick and thin, to move forward the mission and vision of the college, lead by two wonderful women, Dr. Janice Noble and her executive assistant Carmen McCauley.

The BCATSS Team is What's Right @ LPC!

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NOMINEES: Cindy Ahre, Jessica Hansen, Kathy Harris, Helen Machuga, and Meghan Swanson

Nominators: English Program Faculty

The instructional assistants in the English basic skills program are the glue that keeps our collaboratively developed program together. They help us not only with the daily functioning of the program and its classes but in developing our vision for the program at our annual summer retreat: Cindy has even loaned us her home as a retreat

venue. They have spurred us to move away from paper contracts and onto Blackboard, a change that has reduced paperwork and driven innovation in inquiry and SLOs. They all contributed in important ways to our Faculty Inquiry work. They collectively serve as canaries in the coalmine and let us know when something isn't working as it should. We are very grateful to have them.

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**NOMINEES: from the Warehouse Service Dept: Raymond Salas, and
from the LPC IT Dept: Steve Gunderson, Sherman Lindsey, Haywood Baird, Ethan Castor Andrés De La Cruz, Mike Furuyama,.....**

Nominator Name: Greg Johns

A very grateful THANK YOU to the Technology Department, Warehouse, and M&O!!!

Just before the beginning of the Summer semester, about 200 PCs beyond the end of their work-life cycle, were replaced with 200 new robust PCs for students. So 400 computers were shuffled throughout campus classrooms and labs, 200 in the Computer Center alone in the space of TWO DAYS! That means 400 monitors, 400 keyboards, 400 CPUs, 400 sets of mice and cables to detach/attach, bundle, move, etc. A tremendous feat of not only planning the logistics and security of moving so many expensive tools of education, but the physical staging, dismantling, inventory, relocation, installation, imaging, naming...well, you get the idea.

They each deserve a pat on the back and a word of thanks for their extra effort during the break to improve the college experience for our students! Great work, guys!

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NOMINEE: CONNIE REDING, A&C STAFF ASSISTANT

NOMINATOR: Virginia Edwards

Connie Reding has been a pillar in her department. She works very hard and is extremely efficient with assisting the dean and faculty. She does everything and anything that needs to be done, in her area and she does it all with a smile. There have been times when she was the only person working in her division while the administrative assistant and the dean were gone, so she ran things all by herself.

I have never seen Connie angry; even in her frustrations; she is an expert at keeping her cool. She is always super friendly and willing to help faculty, and anyone for that matter, any way she could. It has been said that the ring of her laughter is surely missed by the faculty in building 2400.

I am proud and honored to nominate my friend and colleague, Connie Reding as "What's Right at LPC".

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NOMINEE: THE CLASSIFIED SENATE OF LPC

Nominator: Anonymous

I would like to recognize and thank ALL of the Classified Professionals who have held leadership positions and participated in Senate activities over the past 20 years. Thank you!!

This Summer at the annual Classified Senate Leadership Institute, the LPC Classified Senate was selected as a “Model Classified Senate.” Attending the Institute was Lilia Camino, who accepted the plaque which is in the Administration Bldg. Lobby. The standards for a model senate were sent in an e-mail earlier this year, and will soon be posted on the Senate’s website.

The LPC Classified Senate was established in 1991 and has maintained the same ideals that were envisioned 20 years ago:

- “... to serve as a ... resource for views on non-bargaining issues;
- to encourage programs that provide support for the growth and development of classified professionals,
- as well as activities that are consistent with the college’s mission, values and philosophy.”

I would also like to recognize the members who worked on the bylaws review committee in 2007 through 2008; your contributions made the Model Senate Award possible. It isn’t always easy to give 100% to the students, faculty, administration and your jobs, while also giving another 20% to the Classified Senate and shared governance.

YOUR contributions are What's Right at LPC and why YOU were recognized as a Model Senate.

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NOMINEES: William Eddy, Carolyn Smutny, and PJ Johnson

NOMINATOR: Dyan R. Miller

I would like to nominate three people who often go unnoticed for the work they do every day. Bill, Carolyn and PJ are often the first to arrive in our division and the last to leave. As their jobs are not glamorous many people don't understand the impact their work has on our division. All three help to make sure we comply with safety standards be it in the pool, weight room, gym or out on the fields.

Carolyn works with about 130 Student-athletes to assure they are eligible weekly to compete for LPC, she assists the coaches with paper work, meal money, and sets up all travel arrangements for away contests, just to name a few duties.

Bill and PJ set up and take down all equipment for Physical Education Classes, and all athletic events. They are involved in at least 50-plus athletic events each year. They are the point persons for all athletic set-ups for outside groups, and also set up equipment for faculty & staff who take a Community Ed course on Fridays. They are responsible for the upkeep of all athletic facilities, inventory all equipment, AND they DO THE LAUNDRY for all practice and game uniforms! All while leaping tall buildings in a single bound.

Bill, Carolyn and PJ, epitomize what teamwork means:

Teamwork is work performed by a team towards a common goal.

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