



Facilities and Sustainability Minutes

February 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
<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)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paul Simpson	<input type="checkbox"/> Hermina Sarkis-Kelly <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jackie Hill <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jennifer Farber <input type="checkbox"/> Lina Chea	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paula Checchi
Faculty Member	LPCSG Student Representative	District Facilities	Climate Fellows
<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)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rameen Ahmad	<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)	<input type="checkbox"/> Niki Mai (Non-Voting Member) <input type="checkbox"/> Ariel Reynolds (Non-Voting Member) <input type="checkbox"/> Halleigh MacPherson (Non-Voting Member) <input type="checkbox"/> Linh Le (Non-Voting Member)
Guests	Guests	Guests	Guests
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> William Tandongfor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ellie Hirstein <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Laura Cornett	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eric Santos		

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"> We do not have quorum to approve agenda. 	
3.	<p>Review & Approve November Minutes <i>For action</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We do not have quorum to approve meeting minutes. 	
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) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> William provided an update on Climate Action Fellows activities for January and February while fellows are currently away on retreat. Key highlights included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student Ambassador Training: Three Chabot student ambassadors completed sustainability and zero-waste training in January, with additional training planned when fellows return. The goal is to expand education, awareness, and outreach efforts. Career Fair Engagement (Feb. 4): A Zero Waste table was hosted at the LPC Career Fair where students were educated on waste sorting and the three-stream system. Feedback gathered helped identify common confusion points, leading to improvements in example-based signage. Kitchen Staff Training (Feb. 5): Zero-waste training was provided to cafeteria kitchen staff to improve waste-sorting accuracy and overall sustainability practices. Sustainability Site Visit: Faculty, the Garden/Grace Club, and student ambassadors visited the Fried property to explore long-term development opportunities as a sustainability learning space. Grant & Funding Coordination (Feb. 10): Meetings with a grant officer explored funding opportunities supporting food systems planning and broader sustainability infrastructure. 	None

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Student Leadership Training (Feb. 11): LPC student government leaders received peer-engagement sustainability training. Coordination also occurred with vendors to standardize waste bin colors, sizing, signage, and district branding. ▪ Cafeteria Coordination: Collaboration with the cafeteria manager helped identify commonly discarded items so updated signage better reflects actual student waste habits. ▪ Next Steps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finalize updated waste-sorting signage • Continue ambassador training • Pursue grant funding opportunities • Clarify facilities planning for future Fried property sustainability use ▪ Discussion Points: Committee members praised the program’s progress. Additional discussion focused on compost handling logistics, including food scrap processing requirements and operational support needs. Funding limitations at LPC compared to Chabot were noted, though grant applications are underway to potentially expand student ambassador staffing. • Horticulture Shade House Update (Cornett) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Update on needed repairs and improvements to the Shade House and Greenhouse, highlighting quick response and support from Facilities. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Facilities Response: John Seybert promptly visited the site to assess issues with the shade house and greenhouse covering that had been damaged and was flapping due to wind. ▪ Proposed Improvements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Installation of fencing or gate-style barriers to help keep animals out of the shade house • Replacement and reinforcement of greenhouse shade cloth to prevent damage caused by ventilation fans • Contractor site visit completed and estimates obtained ▪ Current Status: Quotes have been received, and the project is now pending funding approval (FOAP/FOPE), with the Dean assisting in identifying funding sources. ▪ Next Steps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirm and locate final quotes for shade house gates/fencing • Secure funding, potentially through departmental funds or LPC Foundation support • Move forward with repairs to prevent further deterioration 	
6.	<p>New Business <i>For discussion</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth Week (O’Neil-Opipari) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Earth Week is scheduled for April 20 through April 24. Planned activities for the week include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Monday: A Horticulture and Viticulture Employer Showcase in Buildings 3300/3600 featuring local employers such as wineries, LARPD, Living Arroyos, and other industry partners. The goal is to connect students with career opportunities in these fields. ▪ Tuesday: A Plant Sale located near Building 1600 by the cafeteria, continuing the traditional Earth Week 	None

	<p>activity.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Wednesday: Campus-wide posting of large posters with QR codes linking to a student survey on environmental concerns. Posters will be recycled after use, and survey results will be shared with the campus community. ▪ Thursday: Sustainability tabling in the Quad, planned with participation from Climate Action Fellows and community partners such as Livermore Sanitation, StopWaste, Tri-Valley Air Quality & Climate Alliance, and Quest. ▪ Friday: Collaboration with the cafeteria to host a Meatless Friday initiative to promote sustainable food choices. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Additional planning meetings will be scheduled, and updates will be shared with committee members as Earth Week approaches. 	
7.	<p>Updates <i>For information</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • M&O (Seybert) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Building 400 Roof Replacement: A contractor has been selected for the Building 400 roof replacement project, with work expected to begin around June during the summer session. ○ Building 2400 Pedestrian Lifts: A contractor has been identified to address longstanding issues with the pedestrian lifts in Building 2400. Proposals are currently being developed for repair or possible replacement. ○ Building 2500 Interior Repairs: Interior cosmetic repairs caused by structural movement—including wall cracking—are ongoing. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Approximately half of the repairs have been completed. ▪ Remaining work will begin soon, with additional areas (hallways, team rooms, and offices) scheduled after basketball season concludes. ▪ Faculty office repair concerns will be reviewed upon follow-up. ○ Staffing Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Recruitment is underway for a Lead Custodian following a recent promotion. ▪ An additional Custodian position will also be vacant, leaving the campus temporarily understaffed while hiring processes move forward. • District Facilities (Letcher) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ California Climate Action Corps Grant: An application was submitted last week for funding to support Climate Action Fellows for the 2026–2027 year. If awarded, current fellows may have the opportunity to extend their service terms through California Volunteers and partner agencies, allowing continuation of sustainability initiatives on campus. ○ Zero Waste Grant Opportunity: The college is also pursuing additional zero-waste funding through the Altamont Landfill Education Board. These grant funds originate from environmental penalty allocations and are intended to support projects that improve waste reduction and recycling efforts. The application deadline is March 7. 	None

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Moore/Frye Property Transition: Significant effort is currently focused on transitioning the newly acquired Moore Frye property—privately held for approximately 170 years—into college use, including planning, compliance, and operational integration processes. ● Campus Construction & Bond Update (Kroll) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Completed or Recently Opened <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Building 600 is now fully operational with JAMS occupying the space; classrooms, restrooms, and surrounding landscaping are complete and open. ▪ Cafeteria (Building 1600) Servery Lighting Project and repainting improvements have been completed. ▪ Athletics Building 2500 received completed acoustical, lighting, emergency, and egress lighting upgrades. ○ Projects Under Construction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Amphitheater: Construction is underway, including installation of a truss system with partial shade cover; progress is temporarily paused due to rain. ▪ STEAM Building (Building 1500) & Building 1900 Renovation (Increment 2): Plans are under DSA review with responses expected within 4-6 weeks before resubmittal. ▪ Building 1300 (Old Bookstore): Being redesigned into a large lecture room/event center; currently in construction document development. ▪ Athletics Outdoor Complex: Planned improvements include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 16 pickleball courts ● 6 volleyball courts ● Cross-country track ● Synthetic soccer field scoreboard ● Removal of the existing berm to create usable event space and reuse soil onsite ○ Projects in Planning or Review <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Room 1602 Pathway Support Center & Career Center: Submitted to DSA for review (estimated 4+ months). ▪ Building 2409 “Gear Room”: Improvements underway for LPC merchandise sales. ▪ Music Department Renovations (Building 500): Keyboard lab, control room, and recording studio upgrades pending DSA comments, with construction targeted for late May/early June. ▪ Campus-Wide Exterior Wayfinding Project: Bidding completed; contractor recommendation will go to the Board in March. ○ Additional Notes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ongoing smaller projects include furniture solutions and operational improvements across campus. ▪ Access control issues (non-functioning FOB readers and stairwell doors in Buildings 2100 and 4000) were discussed; coordination between M&O and Campus Safety is needed since door access programming falls under Campus Safety rather than the M&O work order system. 	
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"> ▪ February 25 – Lunar New Year Festival 	None

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ February 28 – LLNL Science on Saturdays ▪ March 11 – Tri-Valley Career Center's Spring Job and Apprenticeship Fair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Time: 3:00pm / Location: CLPCCD Office (3rd Floor) ▪ 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 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Men’s Basketball Team qualified for the 3C2A Northern California Playoffs as the 7th seed. ▪ LPC will host a playoff game this Saturday, February 28 at 7:00pm likely against Sierra College. ○ Theater Arts Schedule <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ March 7 – Las Po Film Fest ▪ March 13-15 and March 20-22 – Sense and Sensibility by Kate Hammill ○ 	
9.	<p>Future Agenda Items <i>For discussion</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At next month’s meeting, Brianna Lopez will provide an update on needs related to the LPC Vineyard Program. 	

Meeting adjourned at 3:19pm

Next meeting: March 23, 2026