



# PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

May 13, 2024 | 2:30 PM – 4:30 PM | Room 21247

## LPC Mission Statement

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 lifelong learning.

## LPC Planning Priorities

- ❖ Establish a knowledge base and an appreciation for equity; create a sense of urgency about moving toward equity; institutionalize equity in decision-making, assessment, and accountability; and build capacity to resolve inequities.
- ❖ Increase student success and completion through change in college practices and processes: coordinating needed academic support, removing barriers, and supporting focused professional development across the campus.

Committee Name	Quorum:
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### Non-Voting Members:

Dyrell Foster, Administrator Tri-Chair  
David Powers, Faculty Tri-Chair  
Aubrie Ross, Classified Tri-Chair  
LPCSG – Ayaan Ahmad

### Voting Members:

A&H – Peter Kuo  
BSSL – Gina Webster  
PATH – Vacant  
STEM – Howard Blumenfeld  
STUDENT SERVICES – Marina Lira  
ADJUNCT – Cheryl Dolan  
CLASSIFIED/TLC – Wanda Butterly  
CLASSIFIED/AS – Alesia High  
CLASSIFIED – Anne Kennedy  
CLASSIFIED – Jean O'Neil-Opipari  
CLASSIFIED – Sarah Anderson

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 2:36 pm.

2. **Welcome and Introductions**

3. **Review and Approval of Agenda:** No amendments. Motion to approve (Howard Blumenfeld)/seconded (Jean O'Neil-Opipari) / passed

4. **Review and Approval of Minutes (Apr. 8, 2024)**

- Motion to approve (Jean O'Neil-Opipari)/seconded (Sarah Anderson). Discussion: remove the ' (accent mark) from Item 10. Adjournment. Motion to approve with the amendment (Jean O'Neil-Opipari)/seconded (Sarah Anderson) / passed.

5. **Public Comments (Limited to 3 minutes per person – the PDC cannot act on these comments)**

- None

6. **Old Business**

6.1 PDC Photo: David Powers shared the new LPC PD Photo taken on April 8, 2024. He thanked Chip Woerner and Tim Druley for updating the new webpage template.

7. **New Business**

7.1 Conference/Activity Proposals:

7.1.2 Jeff Seaton from Fire Academy submitted a conference request; the tri-chairs approved the request. Approved with Strong workforce funds

7.1.3 Elizabeth Wing-Brooks submitted a conference request to attend a conference in NY; the Tri-chairs approved the request. Approved with Strong workforce funds.

7.1.4 Angela Amaya from the Library submitted a conference request; for an on-line conference; Approved with Strong workforce funds.

Motion to approve the conference proposals (Howard Blumenfeld)/seconded (Sarah Anderson) / passed

7.2 Flex Day Proposals:

- Chris Crone from DSPS submitted a proposal for a Keynote Presentation titled: Dis/Ability Demystified and Destigmatized. Description: Semi-structured panel discussion that centers students' experiences of disability and intersectionality with identity and oppression. One

suggestion: To include best practices for faculty and classified professionals. Motion to approve the Flex Day keynote presentation (Howard Blumenfeld)/seconded (Anne Kennedy) / passed

## **8. Informational Items**

- 8.1 Please submit your Variable Flex Part 2 to Sheri Moore by May 15
- 8.2 PDC Budget Update: At this point, Dr. Foster stated that the budget will remain the same for 24-25 at \$16,000.
- 8.3 New Faculty Orientation: Last meeting was held last week; cohort of four will be the new faculty for 24-25
- 8.4 Teaching Institute: No updates
- 8.5 Caring Campus Update: Will meet during the summer to make Caring Campus more visible
- 8.6 Classified Senate Update: New officers have been selected for classified senate for 24-25. Approved the climate action plan during the last classified senate meeting; Classified Senate will host a retreat on August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024.
- 8.7 Professional Development Center Update; Dr. Foster met last Friday with the insight team to ask questions and obtain additional information. More to follow in the coming year.
- 8.8 PATH Division Representative: None

## **9. Good of the Order:**

- **This is the last Professional Development Committee for Howard Blumenfeld. He has served on the PD committee for 9 consecutive years; there is a lot of interest from faculty in that division to serve. Stay tuned.**
- **Congratulations to all those recognized at Town Meeting**
- **Happy belated Mother's Day**
- **Thank you to the committee for your hard work and commitment this year.**

**10. Adjournment:** meeting adjourned at 3:05pm.

**11. Next Regular Meeting:** Sept. 9, 2024, 2:30 pm in room 21247