



Interior Design Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

4/28/2026 | 4PM | [Hybrid](#)

Agenda Item

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.
- ❖ 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.

Interior Design Advisory Board Members 2025-26

Maranda Angulo	Tara Kraftician
Laura Capilla	Rita Lezama
Peter Colucci	Wendy McDowell*
Shelley Ham*	Kelly Tivey*
Andrea Jeffery	Jill Hornbeck
Karin King	Amy Mattern
Yoko Oda	Lilibeth Mata Juarez
Jalon Jacobsen*	
Vicki Shipman	

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Review of Agenda

3. Review of Previous Minutes

4. Faculty Report (15 minutes)

- Program Update
 - Unable to obtain numbers of how many students are applying for degree/certificate this spring until Fall 2026
- Designer Interviews 2026
 - Jill reached out to a couple of professional designers who were nice to offer interviews and answer students' questions regarding INTD
- Enrollments
 - Just launched our classes in the [CVC.edu](#)
 - Full online class not asynchronous. Fully online. 2 separate CRN (enrollment numbers) are separate but same class
 - INTD 5 - 20 enrollment
 - INTD 30 - 15 enrolled
 - INTD 45 - 15 enrolled
- Completions
 - Question about whether students need to take their last class at their home college?
- Program Development/Opportunities
 - [Student Survey Results](#)
 - Most students are in their 1st or 2nd semester at LPC
 - Q: are there more male students?
 - 3-4 students in CAD class
 - Growing amounts
 - Students are able to take more classes per semester
 - Most students are here mainly for certificate. Probably coming in as a 2nd career/2nd education
 - High transfer to SFSU
 - After LPC many want to get in the field
 - Interior Design Job Skills
 - Community Education
 - Career Fair last Wednesday, maybe only 1 related to INTD employer. Jill believes its bc its mostly small firms, don't have staffing to do outreach
 - Question about adopting Tech related to AI?
 - Clients have expectations but the exposure to AI may be relevant
 - Jill mentioned Jenette and Community Ed Course
 - Jalon mentioned that they have students who experiment with it for their own recreation. Jalon has used in the past.
- Community Education
 - ProCreate
 - SketchUp
 - AI class
 - Paint color class for interiors and exterior colors

- Kitchen and Bath remodeling class
- A good way for board members to obtain clients by teaching Community Education courses
- INTD Summer Camp
 - 4 days for 3 ½ hrs per day through zoom

5. Industry Updates (45 minutes)

- Concerns of industry
 - Cost of projects are starting to increase despite estimates due to high cost of materials
 - Furnishing and construction is increasing costs
 - Projects are not as plentiful, and people are shying away from projects due to unrealistic costs
 - Newer designers it is hard to get something going because clients would rather go with established designers
 - Economic uncertainty Yoko has smaller projects. All clients are returning clients, not new clients. Materials costs are high, labor is high
 - Kelly – very little new. Mainly organic inquiries, but if you are not established it is very hard. Freight charges. Seasoned clients now get an estimate, and they decide to cancel the project.
 - Peter is doing a bath and tile project right now and it is double what it was 2 years ago.
 - Shelley: her husband's architecture firm relied on wealthy clients and now shifted to organizations. From residential to commercial.
 - Contractors have to think about their gas expense when taking on projects due to gas prices
- Emerging Trends/Technologies
 - Laura pays for marketing and has not gotten a good project in a while. Not a lot of remodeling being done right now. Slow down on contracting
 - Materials and furniture is going up

6. Recommendations from Advisory Board

Currently INTD is a 30 Unit program

Could potentially add an Estimating and Costing class

Could potentially add an interior Construction and Building Systems

The Green and Sustainable Design could be incorporated into the courses currently offered

Drafting class – 5 weeks of handdrawing class and doing an elevation 1,2,3 point perspective is no longer being done much. Eliminating Drafting class and use of scales, etc in principles and AutoCAD class.

Keep history class that gives them a good basis

Materials and Resources can implement the estimating and costing

Keep professional practices class

Take out drafting and lighting and put interior constructions and building class – including lighting, plumbing, HVAC

Projects for interior constructions

Shelley – color theory and psychology, textures, patterns. Inclusive training for average humans and humans with special needs. In the field, Yoko mentioned she took art classes. It is fundamental, but estimates is critical for placing orders and resources needed for the plans.

Laura – color theory can be incorporated for Materials and resources. She paid into a class that teaches how AI can be used in your business. Laura still does hand drafting and then gives to CAD or SketchUp.

Hand sketching is supported by Rita as well.

Laura: if they can implement more business practices specifically for the INTD. Jill explained that they do this in the INTD 47 class

7. Other Business / Good of the Order

Shelley took class on a fieldtrip to Peter's showroom and he did a great job, the students were very engaged

8. Next Regular Meeting

- Tuesday, October 20th @ 4PM

9. Adjournment