

## 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

- ❖ Implement the integration of all ACCJC standards throughout campus structure and processes.
- ❖ 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.
- ❖ Coordinate resources and provide professional development for effective online instruction and remote delivery of student support services and college processes to advance equitable student outcomes.

## Occupational Safety & Health Advisory Board Members

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David Brinkerhoff*	David Zalk
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Sophia Uchiyama	

## Meeting Minutes

1. **Call to Order** at 5:32 p.m.
2. **Review and Approval of Agenda**
  - Tom Orf/Cari Elofson
3. **Review and Approval of Minutes, 10/26/2023**
  - David Brinkerhoff/Naci Ozgur
4. **Industry Updates**
  - **OSH/OTIEC Collaboration Opportunities**, Naci Ozgur
    - The OSHA Center is directly reporting to CLPCCD under Economic Development and Contract Education Department. We are authorized by OSHA to provide authorized safety training at the office of training and education.
    - We are in Region 9 which means we share our region with San Diego State University, CSU Dominguez Hills, and Arizona State University; together we are 4 centers that provide training for California, Nevada, Arizona, Hawaii, Guam, America Samoa, and the Northern Mariana Islands.
    - **Opportunity #1** – Integrate curriculum to be able to offer both noncredit and credit courses to students. Currently our courses are strictly professional development, meaning they are noncredit courses. This opportunity would allow us to increase the number of OSH certificate and degree completions.
    - **Opportunity #2** – Offer our OSH courses for Credit for Prior Learning. A lot of our students have a good background in the field but a lot of them don't have their experience and skills documented well enough to prove that they have the required experience. By offering CPL we can help those that don't have the time to go back to school while working to earn some credits towards a college degree.
    - **Opportunity #3** – Safety Technician Apprenticeship Program is looking for a program sponsor. This would allow LPC to offer courses that will earn students credit toward the apprenticeship program and allow us to utilize expertise and grants available. Ultimately, this would also increase the number of OSH certificate and degree completions and boost enrollment.
  - **Training and Hiring Needs**
    - Solar installing and battery safety
    - Health and safety training in biotechnology field
    - Cal/OSHA is hiring; they reached out to FACS to look for avenues to help them hire.
      - They are looking to hire but not entry-level; they are looking for higher level industrial hygienists.
  - **Emerging Trends**
    - Solar
    - Biotechnology
  - **Internship or Entry-Level Opportunities**
    - Steve requested that if anyone knows of entry-level internship opportunities, to please let him know. He has students in his class that are older and further along in their careers but don't have degrees yet.
    - Cari recommended Steve reach out to TVCC for some opportunities for students.

## 5. Program Report

- **Search for Potential OSH Instructors**
  - Steve has provided some names of potential OSH instructors to the Academic Dean and we are working on getting some new faculty hired in the OSH department.
- **OSH 62 (Physical Hazards) Update**
  - Steve updated this curriculum and presented it to Curriculum Committee in Fall 2023, and it was approved. These were standard updates to the catalog description and other areas to make them read better.
- **Scholarships – Industrial Hygiene**
  - The American Society of Safety Professionals (ASSP) San Francisco Chapter supports this program with two scholarships and have been doing so for a number of years. The scholarships have grown to \$1,000 and we receive two of those each semester. Recently, 2 of the 5 students that applied for the scholarships received them.
- Steve shared that he continues to embed OSHA training classes in the curriculum. This semester, Spring 2024, students completed their general industry 10-hour workshop and have received their cards. In addition, the OSHA 7115 – Lockout/Tagout workshop has been completed as well and we are starting the OSHA 7100 - Introduction to Machinery and Machine Safeguarding workshop.
- **RADS 40A - Radiation Safety** is being offered in Fall 2024. We have 8 students enrolled. Steve shared that he realizes that the advisory board recommended removing RADS from the program but that hasn't happened yet and as such it is still part of the degree requirements.
  - Cari shared that part of the reason for the recommendation to remove RADS was due to the dwindling support from the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory over the years. If Las Positas could work with the lab to gain back the support, then we should keep RADS as part of the program.
  - Steve provided more information by sharing after the advisory board made the recommendation to remove RADS he notified LLNL and their response was that we should keep it and they wanted to help us expand Radiation Safety training by mirroring a program at University of New Mexico. The lab was planning on reaching out to the Dean's office to set up a time to present the proposed program.
  - Jean shared that STEM has an NSA Grant and they are developing 7 different workshops; in one of the planning meetings, it was discussed to add a 40-hour/8-week RADS course to what we are already doing per the suggestion of LLNL.
  - Steve said that LLNL has a need and they will continue to do RADS training themselves unless something happens where we can collaborate together to do the training here. Students who are Health and Safety technicians at the lab primarily will be taking that certification training *at* the lab, unless it is moved here.

## 6. Recommendations from Advisory Board

- *None at this time*

## 7. Other Business

- *None at this time*

## 8. Adjournment at 6:45 p.m.

**Next Regular Meeting** – Wednesday, October 23, 2024