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5 **WEST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE ACADEMIC SENATE**
 6 **WINLOCK LOUNGE**
 7 **MINUTES FOR Special Limited Meeting**
 8 **SEPTEMBER 30, 2008**
 9 **12:45 – 3:00 PM**

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11 **“Developing as Professionals & Producing Better Student Outcomes”**
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13 **Present:** Patterson, Rod, President; Aguiar, Ara, Vice President, Sweeney, Joyce,
14 Secretary; Canales, Carrie; Treasurer; Barragan, Norma; Blustein, Bonnie, Chow, Judy;
15 Crippens, Eloise; Floyd, Suzanne; Hagar, Robert; Ichon, Eric; Leonard, Fran; Nicholas,
16 Vanita;

17 Siever, Patricia; Dubois, May;

18 **Absent:** Banday, Patricia; Evans, Beth; Jordan, J.; Michels, Margot; Olivas, Richard;
19 Simone, Yvonne; Ulrich, James; Taylor Alice; Workman, John; Elahi, Faz; Foster,
20 Adrienne

21 **Guests:** Vice Chancellor Marvin Martinez and District Consultant Diana Ho

22 **I. ORGANIZATIONAL ITEMS**

- 23 1. Confirmation of the agenda - **MSP**
- 24 2. Minutes of September 9, 2008 approved - **MSP**

25 **II. ADMINISTRATION REPORT**

26 Dr. Rocha introduced Marvin Martinez, District Vice Chancellor and Diana Ho,
27 District Consultant for Transportation who have prepared a transportation plan designed
28 to alleviate present bus and parking difficulties at West. These individuals are
29 professionals in this field having extensive experience solving local transportation
30 problems such as LA DASH which serves the downtown Los Angeles area. The
31 preliminary recommendations report presented at this meeting, was funded from interest
32 accrued through construction Bonds A and AA already held.

33 The pilot busing program prepared for WLAC will be scheduled to start in the
34 Spring Semester of 2009, and is to be funded from future Bond J's interest, therefore,
35 there will be no affect to West's operating budget and will be paid by District for two
36 years, at which time the costs could be met through WLAC student fees if the program
37 continues.

38 It was discovered that WLAC has almost zero public transportation available to
39 the campus and is served by only two lines of the Culver City Bus Company – one of

1 which comes every 20 minutes and the second comes only once an hour. This plan will
2 help to make the WLAC campus greener by reducing our carbon footprint.

3 The proposal includes three lines: #1 Crenshaw/Van Ness Route of 35 minutes;
4 #2 Central Route (Fairfax and Washington Transit center) of 12 minutes; and #3
5 Overland/Palms Route of 12 minutes. Data has been gathered concerning where our
6 current students are living and these spots are thought to be the most convenient to them.
7 The buses shall have WLAC logo painted on them as a moving advertisement and shall
8 run daily on a continual basis for 8 hours a day. In addition, 5 buses shall serve as feeder
9 buses to the Jump-start High Schools that WLAC is now serving. The Empire Bus
10 Company has been selected for this purpose. This company is currently running the
11 shuttle service to and from our parking lots. Several suggestions were made from the
12 floor to extend a route to include the West Side Pavilion at Overland and Pico/Westwood;
13 to have bike racks on these buses; to include LACES school in the list of Jump-start
14 schools; and possible coordination with the Los Angeles and Santa Monica Bus
15 Companies; and the question was raised as to the fuel source for these buses.

16 A motion was made by Bonnie Blustein: "The West Los Angeles College Senate
17 endorses and supports *in principle* the Transportation Plan proposal presented by District
18 Representatives on September 30, 2008." **MSP**

19 A noticed motion was made by Eric Ichon, recommending a feasibility study
20 made to evaluate the use of up to 10% of the funding for the recommended busing plan
21 be used to develop bike paths and bike rack on campus in order to make our campus
22 more pedestrian and bike rider friendly.

23 A noticed motion was made by Bonnie Blustein to schedule the High School
24 classes to meet the bus schedule and vice versa.

25 The Senate was reminded that the proposed pilot busing plan is to be considered a
26 test program to see if it will work for our college.

27 **III. Professional and Academic Matters**

28 The Technology Master Plan Committee has been formed which will consist of 3
29 administrators, 6 faculty members – 3 from the Senate and 3 from the Guild - 2 classified,
30 and 2 non-voting resource persons to be appointed by the President. Those appointed
31 from the Senate shall be Marcus Butler, Joshua Stern and Holly Bailey-Hoffman. The
32 first meeting of this committee shall be October 8, 2008.

33 The question of the Areas of Emphasis shall be concluded and the Curriculum
34 Committee shall make recommendations to the Senate at the next regular meeting.

36 **IX. ADJOURNMENT at 2:34 PM.**

37 Next meeting - October 14, 2008

39 Respectfully submitted,

40 Joyce Sweeney, Secretary

42 **NOTICED MOTIONS**

44 In an effort to make WLAC a more bicycle and pedestrian friendly environment, the
45 Senate recommends completion of a feasibility study regarding the use of up to 10% of
46 the Transportation Plan funding for the development of multi use (bike and pedestrian)

- 1 paths on campus, designated bike lanes on campus roads, and the installation of
- 2 additional bike racks throughout campus.
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