

DATE: 2/27/17 TIME: 1:00 pm – 3:00pm LOCATION: L-106

Present:

President: Israel Cortez

Vice-President: Natasha Garcia
Treasurer: Not appointed

Commissioner of Campus Events: Angela Lee **Publicity and Outreach:** *Not appointed*

Senators: Jessica Havelhorst, Jean Carlos-Alvarado, Al-Ameen Ishola

Student Representatives: Dale Satre, RC Kubota

Advisor: John Nguyen

Absent: Natasha Garcia, Nilton Serva

Minute Taker: Amata Abatcha (Items 1-9) Israel Cortez (Items 10-11)

Guests: Tammy Smith, Marco McMullen, Philip Leland Tripp

ITEM #	TOPIC/ACTIVITY	OUTCOME
1	Call to order	I. President Cortez called the meeting to order at 1:13pm
2	Approve: I. Agenda II. Minutes from 2/6/17 meeting	 I. Motion to approve agenda A. Motioned by: Senator Havelhorst B. Seconded by: Commissioner Lee C. Motion approved unanimously 4-0-0 II. Motion to approve the previous minutes with amendments (order of item 3 and 4; date from 1/31 to 1/30) A. Motioned by: Commissioner Lee B. Seconded by: Al-Ameen Ishola C. Motion approved unanimously 3-0-0
	BUSINESS: REPORTS	



3	Public Comment	I.	From Tammy Smith:
		A.	Announced the upcoming Veteran's Fundraiser at VFW Hall in Antioch for the new Los
			Medanos veteran's center on April 15 sometime in the evening; time TBA
		В.	Announced herself as the president of the READ club. Has been fundraising for a few years.
			Wishes to continue fundraising throughout the year. Trying to create a textbook loan fund
			that can be accessed by financial aid students whose checks may be delayed, intending for
			READ to serve as a medium in order to ensure that students do not fall behind
		C.	Stated that SACHE is supposed to add a social component to the DSPS program, bringing
			awareness to different disabilities around campus to serve those who may feel different from
			the rest of their rest community. For example, "we brought in a comedian last semester."
4	Officer and Senator Updates	I.	From Senator Havelhorst:
	·	A.	Will be speaking at conference next meeting in front of 60 staff members regarding how SLOs
			are not doing well; for example, heavy verbiage and how students overlook the standards.
			Stated that she must create a five minute presentation. Asked the board and guests for
			ideas/feedback
		В.	Senator Ishola said that they should draw the connections between community college
			(lower division) level and 4-year university (upper division) level
		C.	President Cortez added that not everyone is interested in transferring so it is important to
			have both options available
		D.	Senator Havelhorst said there should be a checklist/review at the end of the semester
		E.	President Cortez said after finishing one objective, have the instructor do an
			activity/assignment that ensures the students understands the SLO in order to affirm their understanding
		F.	Guest Smith said she took a fitness class and said she did not feel like she learned anything
			because there was no review and wants to be a better student
		G.	President Cortez posed the question of, "what message are we giving when one class is worth
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- H. Then Senator Havelhorst recalled that the only time she had seen this done she was in a philosophy class and felt it was done in a "very comprehensive way."
- I. Senator Alvarado said they only went over them in the syllabus at the beginning of the semester
- J. Guest McMullen added that indeed, he had never heard an instructor go over the SLOs, then said if properly implemented, it would only add further value
- K. President Cortez stated that it comes down to the instructor's conviction
- L. Senator Havelhorst concluded that she would let the board know two weeks from now how the meeting went
- M. From Commissioner Lee:
- A. Worked the High School Career Focus with Deer Valley, Pittsburg, Freedom, and Antioch High schools. Did campus tour, workshops, assessments, and provided lunch
- B. Went to Maya Cinema Hidden Figures showing on Thursday with Umoja
- C. Said that every week or every other week, high schools may come to LMC for career focus events including informational workshops and introduce them to the school, "showing them what we have to offer."
- D. Added that Senior Saturday is a major event coming up in April
- II. From Vice-President Garcia:
- A. Came back from Colorado trip safely. Met an actor who talked about his struggles in the industry. Stephanie Lutz, a student who does lighting, won \$4,600 in scholarships. Had "a bunch of workshops." One of them including meditation, or how to communicate with different people as a stage manager. Got to see a play every night, many of them from University of Idaho
- B. Announced that the Inter-Club Council will be promoting their clubs on March 29 from 11:00am-2:00pm at the indoor quad. Senator Havelhorst added, "we definitely need someone to be recording." Vice-President Garcia responded that a fellow LMC student,



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	'Devareay' would be doing this C. President Cortez asked how many active clubs there are currently. Vice-President Garcia replied that the Film Watcher's club is out, and that some representatives skip some meetings. "They're attending but not as much as they should." III. From President Cortez: A. No report IV. From Senator Ishola: A. No report V. From Senator Alvarado A. Stated that he missed 3-4 meetings because of work but attended the Distance Learning Committee where they talked about Desire 2 Learn
5 Advisor Report	 I. From Advisor Nguyen: A. Announced that there are other meetings that will be booked in this room (L-106) from 1:00-3:00pm for the next two weeks. That being said, LMCAS will take place in an alternate room, SS-409 for the time being B. Elections are coming up soon within a month or so C. Student Life's 'A Place to Talk' continues on March 9 from 2:00pm-3:30pm at the Student Life office. Topic will be "Hate Speech versus Freedom of Speech." D. Cesar Chavez Blood Drive will be on Tuesday, March 21. Those interested must enter the code 'LOSMC' online at 'bloodheroes.org.' Pointed out that you not only get to save lives but there are also prizes offered such as free tickets to Safari West, a 4K TV, various gift cards to Starbucks, Target, etc. In addition to this, every participant receives a free shirt E. "Empowering Ladies" event will be held on Wednesday, March 22 from 11:30am-1:30pm in room L-109 to encourage female students that there are careers that they can go into no matter what they identify as. The objective is to bring in motivational speakers, specifically women, who can speak to attendees about it. Added that there are five confirmed panelists



		so far. The event will begin with a movie. Attendees can network with panelists. F. "Femina" Student Life open mic event will be on March 23 in room L-109 from 7:00pm-9:00pm. People will be encouraged to walk up to microphone to perform poetry, spoken word, songs, etc for Women's History Month. "If you would like to perform, sign up at Student Life." G. March 31 Civil Rights event "where were you in the 60s?" will be held on March 31 in room SS-412. Time TBA H. Announced that Los Medanos will be hosting the Latina Conference this year. Will take place from April 6-8. More information can be found online at Ilncc.org/2017-conference I. Club Day will be held on March 29 from 11:00am-2:00pm indoor quad. Will have an opportunity for people to donate food at food pantry at barrel in the Student Life office. "You can raise money for your club."
6	Committee Report	 From Vice-President Garcia: A. No report Commissioner Lee: A. No report From Representative Kubota: A. Need two more student representatives B. Proposed and passed bylaws for TAG C. To access TAG materials: LMC Technology Advisory Group InSite site (Team Sites – Organization – LMC Technology Advisory Group) D. Need to review Appendix C for next meeting. "Please provide input." E. Next meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 21 IV. From Senator Havelhorst: A. No report V. From Senator Havelhorst



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VI. From Senator Alvarado

A. No report

VII. From Representative Satre

- A. Safety Committee meeting will be held again next week. "Most police officers have emergency training and I was thinking of doing that with students."
- B. President Cortez related to Dale's statement that they do have plans to have evacuation drills, develop better procedures, and implement regular monthly checks.

VIII. From President Cortez:

- A. EEO: Worked on retaining a diverse workforce last semester and an exit for workers who want to leave. Developing trainings and interviews that will serve to reveal hidden biases
- B. Worked on changing the culture to support a diverse workforce. Connecting diverse faculty to each other. Creating an atmosphere of inclusivity
- C. Waiting on staff senate for approval
- D. In addition to Equal Opportunity, at a district level, they want representation for that as Advisor will talk about later on. Stated that scientific research says there is more success when you "have someone teaching you that looks like you."
- E. STACK: Talked about new Student Trustee election. This year Diablo Valley College will be posting progress. Mentioned ways we can work with social media and will have current trustee record video describing his experience in the position. Next year LMC will be hosting election
- F. DGC: Talked about student representation. Brings all three colleges together. "There cannot be decisions made without the student voice."
- G. In addition to Safety Committee, working on safety boxes where people can press for help. Will take time to implement since district is in charge
- H. Discussed budget from the 2016-17 academic year. "The truth is that LMC as a college is in a deficit. The total amount they received is less than the total amount spent." (Operating



		Budget.) Said that moving one thing has a serious impact on other things. "What does that mean to us? In order for LMC to have more money, they need more from tuition; more people to register." Further mentioned that money is restricted for certain purposes such as DSPS or EOPS. Those programs are not affected by the deficit I. Basic Skill Committee: Works on basic skills that students need to learn J. For DGC that met twice, they further went over procedures ensuring that they are consistent with district guidelines
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7	Senator Interviews	 I. From Jonathan Pantino: A. Stated that he was born in California but grew up in Mexico. Sees that students who grew up here have certain privileges that he feels they do not take advantage of, such as scholarship opportunities or not getting involved in Student Government B. President Cortez asked, what do you want to do about it? Responded that he wants to speak about his experience and share to people. Again elaborated how he sees that students don't seem to take advantage. Stated that he really likes politics. "Most people in California are Latino and they only want to get money but not get involved." Wishes to get more Chicano people involved C. Senator Ishola asked "how do you see yourself putting into place actions using your experiences to make change?" Said he worked with a former gang member. Was living with a homeless person and for now has all the tools and great ideas but after he leaves the school, wants to leave something behind such as an organization. "I know people at this college who may be in the same situation as me who are vulnerable because they don't have the connections." Wants to work with ESL students D. Senator Alvarado asked what his major is. He responded that it was Political Science and that he would be jJoining the Navy this August E. Wants to be a Navy Officer but said that he needs to hone his English language skills. Wants



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to continue his education after enlisting and work in the Navy as he does his major

- F. President Cortez asked if he was committed to meetings. He responded he was definitely available
- II. From Azuka Atum:
 - A. President Cortez began with expressing that what caught his attention was her answer to question number 1. "What do you think can be done?" She responded that advertising for LMCAS should be important. Has been here for 3 years and LMCAS advertising hadn't caught her interest as she associated with social science and liberal arts majors, since as a STEM major she thinks involvement from people of all backgrounds is important
 - B. Vice-President Garcia asked, "if there was an event you would like to throw or focus on, what would it be?" Responded that one thing she would like to do is put on an event that brings attention to different minorities and health disparities that affect Latinos and African Americans such as the high rate of respiratory illness; brings awareness to the different illnesses people have. Resources such as Planned Parenthood down the street is important. "An event that emphasizes those topics."
 - C. Senator Ishola said, "you mentioned something about making campus more accessible. Could elaborate on that." She replied, "I know in the paper I had, regarding the elevator in the Core." At SACHE she talked about disabled students who have a hard time getting to class because of the elevator in the Core building breaking down. "These are the kinds of things you have to worry about if you're disabled."
 - D. Representative Kubota asked, "do you have any additional examples?" Responded, "To be honest, that is the only serious example I can think of." Further stated that if there is something she is missing, since she is not disabled, she apologizes, and does not want to speak too much on an issue she has not experienced, being able-bodied
- III. From Representative Satre:
 - A. President Cortez remarked how he notices that Representative Satre is very outspoken about his views such as his conservative approach toward budget spending



В.	Representative Satre said, "when clubs come to us for money, we exercise scrutiny in order
	to avoid a situation that happened where the previous treasurer ran into a deficit."

- C. Senator Havelhorst asked if he would be interested in being a treasurer. Said he talked to Eliacin Velasquez, the previous treasurer and said he wants to gain experience as a senator first
- D. Vice-President Garcia asked, "how would you go about disagreements?" Responded that he would go over short-term and long-term effects of possible decisions. "Ultimately my job would be to offer my opinion professionally."
- E. Senator Ishola asked, "assuming you became treasurer, where do you stand on club requests for support? Do you think it's better to approve some and deny some or approve some with lower amounts of funding?" Replied that he thinks it's best to do what we can and is better to serve clubs as best as we can rather than keep money for a few clubs
- F. Representative Kubota asked, "how would you know which clubs and how much would be requested?" Replied, "we would look at past patterns. We would look at our own budget and past amounts and behavior."
- G. Vice-President Garcia asked, "would we be able to look at each club's budget?" Responded, "I would certainly ask them to submit their own budget statement. Legally I don't know if we can do that." Asked Advisor Nguyen whether it's possible to subpoena something like this. Advisor Nguyen said it may be possible. Then Representative Satre added that with this being said, clubs would be compelled to provide the papers. "I think it would be imprudent for them not to."
- IV. From President Cortez:
 - A. Will make decision next meeting
 - B. Guest Smith said she submitted an application. Advisor Nguyen clarified that she would have to attend one meeting first before securing an interview
- V. Motion to extend meeting to 3:08pm
 - A. Motioned by: Vice-President Garcia



		B. Seconded by: Senator HavelhorstC. Motion approved unanimously 5-0-0
8	Student Representative Appointments	 From Guest Tripp: Stated that he found out about LMCAS after taking COUNS-033 and the instructor pointed to this class. Took a general political science general class and got interested in politics. Decided to explore his interest further by checking out Student Government. President Cortez asked why did he wait until since last Spring to join. Said it wasn't until the end of the class that he got interested, and by Fall still had other commitments to attend to, but has plenty of time since he still has another year at LMC. Looking into Sustainability Committee. John said they are in fact looking for people Motion to appoint Phillip Leland Tripp as a Student Representative Motioned by: Vice-President Garcia Seconded by: Commissioner Lee Motion approved unanimously 5-0-0
9	Committee Appointments	 I. From Advisor Nguyen: A. Distributed packet with list of people assigned to committees B. Senator Alvarado asked where Senator Serva is. President responded that Senator Serva used to be SSCCC but is no longer there II. Motion to appoint Al-Ameen Ishola to the Shared Governance Council A. Motioned by: Vice-President Garcia B. Seconded by: Commissioner Lee C. Motion approved 4-0-1
10	Election Packet and Timeline	 I. From Advisor Nguyen: A. Distributed Student Body Election Guidelines B. Asked board to look over timeline. Additionally LMCAS President can appoint those to



			hearingsay if someone violated a college policy. Pres asked about scheduling conflict. John said what they would have to do is send someone else on behalf of them RC inquire about why orientations are before submitting application to make sure people are qualified. John said the only people eligible to run are those already in who want to run for executive positions. In terms of orientation, all information should already be covered in packet President Cortez added that you need to be attending for at least 10 meetings Motion to approve the Election Packet along with the guidelines. Motion: Natasha
		В.	Second: Al-ameen Discussion:
		D.	John updated a few of the dates and times from last year's packet.
		E.	RC: if we have questions or concerns, we can bring them next week. Correct?
		F.	John: That is correct. There must be a 2/3 majority vote of the present students to amend anything in the guidelines.
		G.	Motion approved unanimously 5-0-0
		III.	John: In order to be an executive officer, you have to attend 10 meetings, which out of the 7 must be as a senator.
		A.	Al-ameen: What do you mean by the "present members"?
		В.	John: The members that attend the meeting that day.
		C.	Israel: The next step is to create the elections committee. Thank you all for coming.
11	Adjournment	l.	Vice-President Garcia motions to adjourn meeting at 3:07pm.