

LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
LOS ANGELES CITY COLLEGE
LACC Northeast (NE) Campus Steering Committee

Thursday, June 28, 2007
3:00 P.M.
Food Laboratory (AD202)

Minutes

Present: Carr, Netty - Member of Coalition to Save VDK
Deliso, Robert - Harris & Associates
Eastcott, Merrill - Dean, Academic Affairs
Fernandez, Serafin, Harris & Associate
Garcia, Elizabeth, Field Rep., District Office, Assemblymember, 44th District, Anthony J. Portantino
Gutierrez, Laura, Glassell Park Improvement Assoc., President
Kuk, Mary Ann - President of Silver Lake Residents Association
Marroquin, Alejandra, Field Duty Council District 13
O'Farrell, Mitch - Field Deputy, Council District 13, Councilman Eric Garcetti
Rodriguez, Rogelio - Field Deputy, Council District1, Councilman Ed Reyes
Tiwari, Braj - Faculty, LACC
Wren, Charles - Harris & Associates
Yanez, Alana, Field Rep., 45th Assembly District, Assistant Assembly Majority Leader Kevin De Leon

Absent: Bimber, Kathleen -
Cohen, Dana - President of Academic Senate (AS)
Marlos, Daniel - Faculty, LACC
De la Sota, Raoul - LACC Emeriti
Flores, Luis - Faculty, LACC
Garcia, Astrid - Field Deputy, Congressman Becerra
Garsten, Andrew - Member of Coalition to Save VDK
Hasegawa, Evelyn - Articulation Counselor, LACC
Ireland, Jackie - VP of Academic Affairs, LACC
Jackson, Miki - Member of Coalition to Save VDK
Maradian, Steve - President of LACC
Polanco, Richard -
Reisch, Maria - Chair, Curriculum Committee, LACC
Richmond, Willie, Associate VP of Administration, LACC
Romali, Reagan, VP of Administration, LACC
Siegel, Myra - VP of Student Services, LACC
Wanner, Dan - Chair of Chairs, LACC
Woods, Patrick - Project Director, DMJM/JGM Program Management
Yamaoka, Lillian - SGC Chair

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Merrill Eastcott, Dean, LACC at 3:15 P.M.

1) Opening Comments

M. Eastcott welcomed committee members and asked R. Deliso to take over the meeting and inform the committee of the current status of Van de Kamp project.

2) Project Delivery Status (Cost and Schedule)

3) Building 1 Status (VDK Bakery Building)

4) Building 2 Status (Education Building)

R. Deliso informed the committee that structural engineers are in the process of bringing the VDK Bakery Building and Central Plant up to code for resubmission to DSA (Division of the State Architect). This will take approximately 6 to 8 weeks for the resubmittal and approval. An additional structural engineer was brought in to assist with correcting the plans. A letter was submitted by the new engineer to DSA with hopes of an early response.

5) Central Plant

C. Wren shared the plans of the buildings, which were returned by DSA, with the committee members. This allowed them to actually see the comments and rejections made by DSA regarding the building. C. Wren also discussed the Central Plant buildings sign off by DSA. Harris is waiting to receive the structural comments, which were

turned in on May 8th. Central Plant is the furthest along of the three buildings at this time. The Education Building was 99% signed off by DSA. A Fire & Life Safety meeting has been scheduled for July 10th. DSA had no earlier dates available. Each of the buildings has to be scheduled separately for this meeting. Central Plant and the New Education Buildings are first on the list.

R. Deliso informed the committee that he would like to have the bids for all three buildings be submitted as one. Harris will send information to the committee, regarding funds and monies needed to complete the project. They will be sent as an attachment with the minutes.

6) Site Works and Street Improvements

C. Wren shared that Los Angeles Department of Transportation (*LADOT*) approved the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and they are waiting for a final letter for the board to approve. Bakery Lane, Highway #2 and lane cuts are being designed and awaiting approval.

7) Academic Programs

M. Eastcott expressed the desire to have a two-year program on the VDK campus. It would be categorized as an accelerated program which would be completed in a two-year time span. He also would like to look into vocational education with certificates and degrees that would include the subjects of CSIT, Cinema and possibly the video gaming industry at the VDK College. The programs would award students with an AA or AS degree. There was mention of an introduction to a CTV class in the Atwater area. An internship was suggested as a possibility by M. O'Farrell. C. Wren suggested an internship for architectural science be considered as well.

8) Member Comments:

Overgrown weeds/grass, homeless/transients as well advertising signage on the fence at the VDK site is a concern of the committee. They would like those items to be looked into.

N. Carr suggested later class hours may help in doing away with the traffic congestion. Eastcott replied that later class hours are currently being discussed.

Academic projects will be discussed in the fall semester. There is a math prep class that will be held at ELAC to prepare students for college. Dr. Eastcott was invited to attend neighborhood council meetings that involved the VDK project. There was an invitation extended to the Glassell Park community to participate in the meetings. Dr. Eastcott was invited to supply information regarding the VDK project to committee members to be placed on a website or internet blog.

A motion was made to adjourn at 3:45 p.m.

The next meeting will be held Thursday, July 26, 2007 at 3:00 p.m. in Presidents Conference Room (PCR).