PRESIDENT’S LEADERSHIP COUNCIL  
March 2, 2012  
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MEETING SUMMARY NOTES

Members Present: Ginny Baxter, Ramon Calvillo, Joan Carr, Alta Costa, Ann-Marie Gabel, Gaither Loewenstein, Mary McEldowney, Eloy Oakley, Karen Roberts, Mark Taylor, Janice Tomson

Members Absent: Don Berz, Greg Peterson, Lynn Shaw

Notes: M’Shelle Reece

Guest: Charlotte Joseph for Janice Tomson 10-11am

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

1. APPROVAL OF SUMMARY NOTES:

The summary notes of February 3, 2012 were approved as presented.

2. INTRODUCTION OF GAITHER LOEWENSTEIN

President Oakley introduced our new Vice President of Academic Affairs Dr. Gaither Loewenstein.

3. BUDGET UPDATE

President Oakley reported that the Governor implemented trigger #2 cuts in January. These trigger cuts were implemented primarily due to property tax revenues coming in well below projections and the community college fee revenue shortfall of $100 million less than anticipated. Currently, the Chancellor’s Office has applied a community college deficit factor at 3.4% (2.4% over our budget estimate of 1%). The final State budget is unpredictable at this time and contingent upon whether or not the Governor’s November tax measure passes. Unfortunately with no new revenues anticipated, the college must begin to make cuts now to rectify our projected deficit. Therefore, the Vice Presidents have been asked to begin discussions with all groups regarding possible cuts that will need to be made if the ballot measure fails. Cuts will impact all employee groups, and the college will continue to focus on lessening the impact to students as much as possible. Vice President Gabel distributed a document titled Draft Budget Projection as of February 10, 2012 and gave a
line-by-line analysis of the best case and worse case scenarios for LBCC. She emphasized that this document is a draft and will be changing as the year progresses. Our current best case projection has a $4.7 million ending balance deficit; and worse case projection has a $9.6 million ending fund deficit. At the recommendation of College Planning Committee, a Budget Criteria Workgroup has been formed to establish criteria to be used in making budget reduction decisions. Once the College Planning Committee has approved the criteria, it will then be forwarded to the Administration to help guide reduction decisions.

4. COMMUNICATION METHODS ON BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

President Oakley asked for everyone’s suggestions on the best way to communicate the continuous budget cuts and emphasized if anyone has questions, they can contact Vice President Gabel or him directly. Members suggested communication through district wide e-mails communications and student/constituent group forums. All agreed that students must be given as much notice as possible on cuts that will affect them in order to give them the opportunity to plan their academic course.

5. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.